



Bernard P. Donovan

April 15, 1958 - February 24, 2026

Bernard P. Donovan age 67 of Walnut passed away on Tuesday Feb. 24, 2026 at CGH Medical Center in Sterling. He was born on April 15, 1958 in Mendota, IL the son of Paul and Dolores (Lampe) Donovan. Bernard worked for Northwestern Steel and Wire in Sterling, St. Marys Cement in Dixon, and as a bus driver for Bureau Valley School District. He married Sara Jo Stahr on Sept. 17, 1994 in Amboy, IL. Bernard is preceded in death by his parents, and brother James Donovan. He is survived by his wife Sara, son Paul Donovan, and sister Mary Donovan of Westmont, IL. Funeral services will be on Saturday March 7, 2026 at 10:30 AM at Immanuel Lutheran in Amboy. Burial of cremated remains will be at a later date at Woodside Cemetery. Visitation will be on Saturday March 7, 2026 from 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM at Immanuel Lutheran in Amboy. Memorial donations can be made to Immanuel Lutheran Church in Amboy and St. Jude Childrens Hospital. Arrangements by the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy.

Cemetery Details

Woodside Cemetery

Green Wing Rd
Amboy, IL 61310

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 7. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Immanuel Lutheran Church
960 US Rte 52
Amboy, IL 61310

Service

MAR 7. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

RK

“ *Ramona Kessel lit a candle in memory of Bernard Donovan*



Ramona Kessel - March 07 at 11:08 AM

BE

“ *Bill, Masoudeh, Layla & Elliot purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Bernard P. Donovan.*



Bill, Masoudeh, Layla & Elliot - March 06 at 02:31 PM

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“ *Bill, Masoudeh, Layla & Elliot planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bernard P. Donovan.*

Bill, Masoudeh, Layla & Elliot - March 06 at 02:31 PM

EB

“ *Sara Jo, sorry to hear about your husband's passing. You have my deepest sympathy. The article in the Dixon paper was a beautiful tribute to him. May he rest in peace.*
Elizabeth Bontz

Elizabeth Bontz - March 06 at 11:04 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Bernard P. Donovan.*



March 03 at 01:08 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Bernard P. Donovan.

March 03 at 01:08 PM



“ *Gerry, Debbie and Tim Stahr. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Bernard P. Donovan.*



Gerry, Debbie and Tim Stahr. - March 02 at 12:50 PM



“ *The Scully Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Bernard P. Donovan.*



The Scully Family - March 02 at 11:13 AM

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“ *Dear Sara Jo, Paul, and Mary*
Our hearts ache for you at the loss of Bernard. He was a wonderful man, and we know how much he meant to both of you and to everyone who knew him. We hope you can feel the love surrounding you now and in the days to come. We are here for you always.

*With love and deepest sympathy,
Your cousins from Kentucky*

gary and lori neltner - February 28 at 06:25 AM