



## Harold "Junior" Becker

May 14, 1940 - April 21, 2024

Harold "Junior" Becker, age 83, died Sunday, April 21, 2024 after a brief battle with cancer. He was born May 14, 1940 to Harold & Mary (Kelly) Becker. After graduating from Saint Bede, he joined his father as a life long farmer in Maytown. Other occupations included working for G & L Electric, Eisenberg Tiling & Lilja Excavating. After retiring, he enjoyed bartending at Mort's Tap & was a self-taught electrician who loved putzing around on washers, dryers & odds and ends. He was a member of St. Patrick Catholic Church in Amboy as well as the Knights of Columbus. His loves included watching his grandchildren's sporting events and dance recitals. He also enjoyed bowling, playing cards, checkers and doing word finds. He truly took joy in making everyone around him laugh. He could play the accordion and organ by ear. He loved dancing the polka with his wife. He married Mary Payne in Dixon on October 8, 1971. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, his sister Shirley (Sister Maureen), two brothers-in-law, Bill & Mike Payne, and two nephews, Dave & Doug Payne. He is survived by his children: Maureen, Colleen, Marty, Cindy, & Connie Becker, Karen (Andy) Jones and Sharon (Jeff) Edmunds. Grandchildren: Sean, Natalie and Ashley Becker, Allison, Alexandra & Brady Jones, great grandchildren Hayley and Liam Becker, sister-in-law Wilma Gascoigne, and many nieces, nephews and cousins. Funeral services will be held on Thursday, April 25th beginning with a 10:00 AM prayer service in the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy, followed by a 10:30 AM Mass of Christian Burial at St. Patrick Church in Amboy with Father

Gaw officiating. Burial will follow at St. Patrick Cemetery in Maytown.  
Visitation will be held on Wednesday, April 24th from 3:00 until 7:00 PM with the rosary recited at 7:00 PM at the funeral home. Memorials can be made to the American Cancer Society or to the donor's choice. Condolences can be left at [www.thejonesfh.com](http://www.thejonesfh.com).

# Cemetery Details

## St Patrick Cemetery Maytown

1376 Maytown Rd  
Amboy, IL 61310

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **24**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Mihm-Jones Funeral Home, Amboy  
303 East Main Street  
Amboy, IL 61310  
(815) 857-2611  
[info@thejonesfh.com](mailto:info@thejonesfh.com)  
<https://www.thejonesfh.com>

## Service

APR **25**. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Patrick Catholic Church in Amboy  
32 N. Jones  
Amboy, IL 61310  
[mail@stpatrickamboy.org](mailto:mail@stpatrickamboy.org)  
<http://www.stpatrickamboy.org>

# Tribute Wall

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“ So sorry to hear about Junior's passing. He will be missed. Wishing you comfort and peace.

*Love, Terry & Debbie Stephenitch*

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**Terry and Debbie Stephenitch** - April 24, 2024 at 05:15 PM

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“ Brian, Kathleen and Sam Russell planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Harold "Junior" Becker.

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**Brian, Kathleen and Sam Russell** - April 23, 2024 at 03:00 PM

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“ Brian, Kathleen and Sam Russell purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Harold "Junior" Becker.



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**Brian, Kathleen and Sam Russell** - April 23, 2024 at 03:00 PM

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“ Bonnie Carson lit a candle in memory of Harold Becker



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**Bonnie Carson** - April 23, 2024 at 09:28 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Harold "Junior" Becker.*



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April 23, 2024 at 12:11 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Harold "Junior" Becker.*



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April 22, 2024 at 09:43 PM



“ *I first met Jr and Mary when I babysat for Eisenbergs in Lee Center. Since they were coming to Amboy they always brought me home. Years later we lived at Margaret Payne's farm where Jr farmed. He held all my babies and sat in the kitchen numerous times. We built our house in town 40 years ago. Jr and Mary bought the house across the street from us.*

*Jr has been in my life for over 50 years. He was always a good friend and neighbor. Jim had recently had a good visit with him. With love and sympathy Beckers. His humor will be missed. He was a big part of my life.*

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**Joyce Dale** - April 22, 2024 at 06:02 PM

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*I had the honor to meet JR and Mary many years ago . I lost touch with him but always remembered him and his daughters.I was fortunate to care for him recently. He always had a smile to offer you and a "sassy" joke even when he wasn't feeling well. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you!*

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**Cindy Hoyle** - April 23, 2024 at 11:17 AM