



Joseph Raymond O'Brien

July 31, 1943 - June 5, 2014

Joseph R O'Brien age 70 of Dixon died peacefully in the presence of his family Thursday June 5, 2014 after a long illness at Rock Falls Rehabilitation Center. He was born July 31 1943 in Dixon the son of Francis and Frances (Brechon) O'Brien. A life long resident of the Dixon area, Joe had worked as a grounds keeper on the golf course at the Dixon Country Club prior to his retirement. Always interested in machinery, Joe had worked at various salvage yards for years prior to that. Because of his love of machinery, Joe had an amazing skill for working on automobiles and was always available to help others solve problems they were having, often expecting nothing in return but the sheer anticipation of helping to solve a problem and learning in the process.

An avid reader of westerns and mysteries all of his life, friends would always have a willing recipient to take discarded books off their hands.

He was a member of St Patrick Catholic Church.

Joe is survived by four brothers, Ronald (Colleen) O'Brien of Dixon, Eugene O'Brien of Franklin Grove, Dave (Kathy) O'Brien of Harvard, and Charles O'Brien of Rock Falls, one sister Marita (Russell) Fritts of Dixon, one brother in law, Thomas James of Manteno, 10 nieces and nephews and 16 great nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister Maureen James.

Funeral services will be on Wednesday June 11, 2014 beginning with a 10:00 prayer service in the Jones Funeral Home followed by a 10:30 AM Mass of

Christian Burial at St Patrick Catholic Church in Dixon with the Rev. Bernard Sehr officiating. Burial will follow in Oakwood Cemetery in Dixon. Visitation will be on Tuesday from 4:00 to 8:00 PM with the Rosary at 7:00 PM. A memorial has been established.

Cemetery Details

Oakwood

416 S Dement Ave
Dixon, IL 61021

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 10. 4:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Jones Funeral Home, Dixon
204 South Ottawa
Dixon, IL 61021
Ph: 815-288-2241
info@thejonesfh.com
<https://www.thejonesfh.com>

Service

JUN 11. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

St. Patrick Catholic Church in Dixon
612 S. Highland Ave.
Dixon, IL 61021
(815) 284-7719
office@stpatrickdixon.comcastbiz.net
<http://www.stpatrickdixon.org>

Tribute Wall



“ *Joseph Raymond O'Brien*

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Joseph Raymond O'Brien*

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ *We'll miss your compassion and concern over the misfortunes of others...the oldest of the sibs, you seen all of us grow up, shared our lives, and, in ways we will probably never understand, by your actions growing up, taught us things we forgot where we learned them. Always there to help, as we pray for you, you will be deeply missed.*

gene - June 10, 2014 at 12:21 PM



“ *Sorry for your loss.
Laura & Don Giedd*



Laura & Don Giedd - June 10, 2014 at 12:09 PM

DH

“ *Derek And Kelly Hipple lit a candle in memory of Joseph Raymond O'Brien*



Derek and Kelly Hipple - June 10, 2014 at 09:16 AM

KF

“ *Lit a candle in memory of Joseph Raymond O'Brien*



Katie and Greg Noble & Family - June 09, 2014 at 09:36 PM

MA

“ *Joe, you will forever hold a special place in my heart. I will always cherish all of my memories of you.*

Marita - June 09, 2014 at 09:06 PM

DM

“ *Sorry for your loss. May God bless all Debra merritt*

debra merritt - June 09, 2014 at 07:19 AM

RC

“ *Ron And Colleen lit a candle in memory of Joseph Raymond O'Brien*



Ron and Colleen - June 08, 2014 at 07:31 PM

MF

“ *Russ & Marita Fritts*



Marita Fritts - June 08, 2014 at 09:54 AM

NF

“ *Nikki And Aaron Blackert & Family lit a candle
in memory of Joseph Raymond O'Brien*



Nikki and Aaron Blackert & Family - June 06, 2014 at 03:38 PM