



Merlin Kent Clausen

June 26, 1944 - January 11, 2017

Merlin K. "Ken" Clausen age 72 of Franklin Grove died Wed. January 11, 2017 at OSF St Anthony Medical Center in Rockford. He was born June 26, 1944 in DeKalb, IL the son of Merlin W. and Gladys M. (Tucker) Clausen. Ken was a Master Trooper with the Illinois State Police Dist. 15 for 30 years prior to retirement in 1996. He also owned and operated Downtown Sports in Dixon with his family since 1993. Ken had been very active with Al Morrison Baseball and Dixon Junior Tackle Football. He was also active in FFA in his youth.

He was a veteran of the Army serving in Vietnam during the war. He was a member of St Anne Catholic Church, Dixon Knights of Columbus Council 690, Dixon Elks Lodge 779 and the F.O.P. Lodge 41.

Ken married Colleen Holland Oct. 17, 1970 in Franklin Park, IL.

He is survived by his wife Colleen, children Kimberly (Eric) Deery of Dixon, Jeffrey (Erin) Clausen of Atkins, IA, Gregory Clausen of Orlando, FL, four grandchildren William, Thomas, Joseph and Margaret Clausen, one brother Kurt Clausen of Mendota, two sisters Linda Znaniecki of Buda, IL and Sally Clausen of Mauston, WI.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother Jim Clausen.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Monday Jan. 16, 2017 at 10:00 AM at St Anne Catholic Church in Dixon with Military Honors by the Combined Veterans Group following at church. Cremation will follow with burial of

cremains at a later date. Visitation will be held on Sunday from 2:00 to 5:00 PM at the Jones Funeral Home in Dixon and on Monday from 9:00 to 9:45 AM at the Church. A memorial has been established to the Granny Rose Animal Shelter in Dixon. Condolences may be sent online at www.thejonesfh.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **15**. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

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

Service

JAN **16**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Anne Catholic Church
1104 N Brinton Ave
Dixon, IL 61021
(815) 288-3131
http://www.stanneschooldixon.org/st_anne_parish.htm

Tribute Wall



“ *Merlin Kent Clausen*

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Merlin Kent Clausen*

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ *Colleen and Family- I am so saddened to read of Ken's passing. I am so very sorry... Prayers to all of you. I loved watching the two of you together! You took such great care of each other. You will be in my thoughts*
Marie Bray

Marie - January 17, 2017 at 09:21 AM



“ *Colleen & family so sorry to learn of your loss. Thoughts & prayers for all of you at this difficult time. Have memories of those long ago ICU days & get togethers. Sue & Ed Detweiler*

Sue Detweiler - January 14, 2017 at 06:25 PM



“ *Amazing Arboricola was purchased for the family of Merlin Kent Clausen.*



January 14, 2017 at 03:18 PM

NN

“ Colleen & Family,

I am so sorry to hear of Ken's passing. He will be greatly missed. Keeping all of you in my thoughts during this difficult time. Sending lots of hugs & prayers.

Nancy Nelson

Nancy Nelson - January 14, 2017 at 07:48 AM

BP

“ Colleen, Kim and family,

We are so sorry for the loss of your husband and Dad. Al knew Trooper Clausen from the Tollway. Kim, if there is something I can do to help, please let me know.

Love, Allan and Becky Polivka

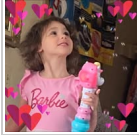
Becky Polivka - January 13, 2017 at 05:23 PM

RI

“ Rose Heating and Air Conditioning, Inc.
*purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of
Merlin Kent Clausen.*



Rose Heating and Air Conditioning, Inc. - January 13, 2017 at 03:10 PM



“ *Amanda Kessel lit a candle in memory of Merlin Kent Clausen*



Amanda Kessel - January 13, 2017 at 01:57 PM

PS

“ *Patterson Comfort & Safety purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Merlin Kent Clausen.*



Patterson Comfort & Safety - January 13, 2017 at 11:41 AM

SH

“ *My Deepest Condolences and Prayers for your Family and Friends, Jeff!*

Shawn - January 13, 2017 at 09:33 AM

GC

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Greg Clausen - January 12, 2017 at 09:27 PM

GC

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Greg Clausen - January 12, 2017 at 09:26 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray* was purchased for the family of Merlin Kent Clausen.



January 12, 2017 at 08:54 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Merlin Kent Clausen.



January 12, 2017 at 08:07 PM

BT

“ *My condolences. Sorry for your loss. God now has a very special Angel.*

Belinda Thompson - January 12, 2017 at 07:13 PM