



Ray Allen Long

January 6, 1941 - March 26, 2013

Ray A. Long, age 72, of Dixon, died Tuesday March 26, 2013, in his home. He was born January 6, 1941, in Wolf Lake, Illinois, the son of Earl and Ruth (Bryant) Long.

He was a Mail Carrier for the United States Postal Service for 28 years prior to his retirement.

Ray attended Bethel E.C. Church in Dixon, and he was involved in leading youth to Christ at Rock River Bible Camp. He had also volunteered for the Dixon Park District.

He enjoyed tending his garden, golfing with great friends, fishing for the big cats, boating, vacationing with his family, walking his beloved pet Molly, and anything else in the sunshine.

Ray was a Veteran of the Navy and served aboard the destroyer USS Purdy. He married Carol Freil at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Dixon October 10, 1965.

Ray was preceded in death by a brother Ben Long.

Survivors include his wife; 3 sons David Long of Nampa, ID, Daniel Ray (Shelly) Long and Duane (Stacy) Long both of Dixon; 5 grandchildren Jessa, Nathan, and Laci Long, Jonathon and Nicole Shaffer; 1 brother Jerry (Gail) Long of Florida; 1 sister Fay (Ron) Duffy of Dixon; 1 sister-in-law Shirley Long-Lieving of Dixon.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, March 29, 2013 at 10:00 AM in the Bethel E.C. Church in Dixon, with the Rev. James Carlson, Pastor, officiating.

Burial will follow in Oakwood Cemetery in Dixon with Military Graveside Rites by the Combined Veterans Group. Visitation will be held on Thursday, March 28, from 5:00 until 8:00 PM in the Jones Funeral Home in Dixon. Memorials have been established to the Rock River Bible Camp and Serenity Hospice and Home.

Cemetery Details

Oakwood

416 S Dement Ave
Dixon, IL 61021

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 28. 5:00 PM - 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

MAR 29. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Bethel Church
131 North Court
Dixon, IL 61021
<http://www.dixonbethel.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *Ray Allen Long*

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Ray Allen Long*

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ *Carol, I know I sure will miss Ray. We didnt get to visit but once a year but each and every time it was a special visit. We always had family tradition and God's love to talk about. He was and always will be a special man. For each and everyone of us a portion of our hearts are broken, obviously some more than others but we will always have the faith and confidence that Ray is still around, looking down on all of us from above. God Bless you and the Family "up north" as he use to always say, Bryan and Debbie Long*

Bryan and Deb Long - March 28, 2013 at 08:15 PM



“ *D, Stacy and family, I'm so sorry for your loss. Hold on to your memories and talk with Dad often. I know that helped me a lot when my Dad, Mom and brother passed. I'll be praying for all of you. God bless. Marcia Coan*

Marcia Coan - March 28, 2013 at 12:18 PM

JS

“ To the entire Long family:
We are very sorry to hear of Rays passing. I believe that when we were kids Ray and Fay lived on Hennepin Ave. across from Ronnie Johnson. At that time , Mom and I lived with my grandparents as my dad was still in the service. Our house was across from Hemmingers Auto.
Again our condolences to the entire family. God bless you all!
Sincerely,

*Jim (Caraline) Salzman
President of the DHS Class of '58*

Jim Salzman - March 28, 2013 at 09:14 AM

VE

“ Carol and family,
We are so sorry to hear of Ray's passing. Don will always cherish Ray's phone call from last week. We are so thankful for our friendship through the years. May God bless you with comfort and wrap His loving arms around you during this difficult time.
Love,
Don and Vee Kerley



vee - March 28, 2013 at 08:43 AM

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Bryan Long - March 28, 2013 at 06:04 AM

SS

My heart is filled with sorrow knowing Ray will not be there this year as a member of the Long Family to help stir our chowder. Ray always had a smile on his face, gave us found memories and good conversation. He will be missed and may he join us in spirit. God Bless our Long Family in this time of loss. Scott, Kerri and Lute Stoltz

Scott Stoltz - March 28, 2013 at 07:07 PM

KP

“ *D, Stacy and family,
Sorry to hear of your loss!! Hugs and prayers to you all!!
Love, The Pierces*

Kristy Pierce - March 27, 2013 at 07:02 AM