



## Charles Michael "Mike" Bottom

January 13, 1945 - May 15, 2021

Charles Michael "Mike" Bottom of Petersburg passed away Saturday, May 15, 2021 at Sunny Acres Nursing Home in Petersburg. He was born January 13, 1945 in Tallula, IL to Margaret and Burl Bottom.

He is survived by his son, Eric Bottom of Seattle, WA, one sister-in-law - Diane Bottom of Tallula - nieces Laura Beth (Scott) Allison of PA, Lisa (Kurt) Howard of Petersburg, Lori Bottom of Tallula, and nephew Greg Babington of CA., as well as two great nieces and two great nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers - Robert Patrick and James Forrest - sister Joyce Ellen Babington, and brother-in-law Kenneth Babington.

Mike was a veteran having served in the Air Force from 1966 through 1970. He loved talking to and being around people (which served him well in his job as a salesman for both Sam's Club and insurance). He loved the St. Louis Cardinals, horse racing and gardening. One of his favorite pastimes was playing cards. He loved to get together with friends and family and play a rousing game of cards (which could last far into the night).

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, May 19, 2021 from 10 to 11 am at Hurley Funeral Home in Petersburg. A funeral service will be held at 11 am following the visitation (also at Hurley Funeral Home) with Rev. Jim Poll officiating. A private family burial will then be held after the service at

Greenwood Cemetery West in Tallula, IL. A meal will be served at the Tallula Community Center after the burial. All are welcome to attend at the Tallula Community Center.

Memorials can be made to Menard County EMS or the Daily Bread Program (in Petersburg, Athens, Greenview or Tallula).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 19. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Hurley Funeral Home - Petersburg  
122 West Douglas Avenue  
Petersburg, IL 62675  
(217) 632-2500  
<https://www.hurleyfh.com/>

## Funeral

MAY 19. 11:00 AM (CT)

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## Burial

MAY 19 (CT)

Greenwood Cemetery - Tallula  
Tallula, IL

# Tribute Wall



“ Charles Michael "Mike" Bottom

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ Mike was an excellent baseball and basketball player, and always demonstrated good sportsmanship. I attended Athens High School and we knew each other through competition in school and summer sports. While we talked a little before or after a game, i could not claim him as a friend until the summer we both attended a baseball camp at Lincoln Park in Springfield—coached by a well known Springfield man, Norm(?) Keifner. After that we saw each other on several occasions and enjoyed visiting each time. I mostly recently saw him in Athens a few years ago. He was an occasional participant in a coffee group which included some of my relatives/friends. Mike was always humble and friendly. I extend my family’s condolence, as well as offer prayers for him, and peace, strength and healing for his family.  
Andy Wasilewski, ACHS class of 1963

Andy Wasilewski - May 24, 2021 at 05:17 PM



“ Larry And Mary Hundt lit a candle in memory of Charles Michael "Mike" Bottom



Larry and Mary Hundt - May 18, 2021 at 07:50 AM