



George H. Becker

January 1, 1936 - May 10, 2019

George H. Becker, 83, of Petersburg, Illinois, passed away at his home on Friday, May 10, 2019. He was born on January 1, 1936, in Springfield, Illinois to Emil and Henrietta (Scharff) Becker. He married Betty Gellerman on June 2, 1957, at St. Paul's Evangelical Free Church in Petersburg.

George served our grateful nation in the United States Air Force and the Air National Guard from 1959 until 1965. He was a member of the St. Paul's Evangelical Free Church in Petersburg. He was active in the 4H Foundation, American Angus Association and a past member of the Farm Bureau.

George is survived by his wife Betty, a daughter, Phyllis Bliven of Petersburg, a son, Karl (wife Alicia) Becker of Springfield, two grandchildren, Austin (fiancé Ashley) Bliven and Kory Bliven, two great-grandchildren, Hayden Caldwell and Kaden Mattingly, and a sister, Mary (husband Ken) Underwood of Springfield and numerous nieces, nephews and dear friends.

George was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters, Irma Broughton and Helena Heyen.

A visitation will be held on Tuesday, May 14, 2019, from 4 pm to 8 pm at Hurley Funeral Home in Petersburg. The funeral service will be held on Wednesday, May 15, 2019, at 10 am at St. Paul's Evangelical Free Church

also in Petersburg with Pastor Don Winters and Pastor Justin Everson officiating. Burial will take place immediately following the service at Oakland Cemetery in Petersburg.

Memorial contributions in George's name may be made to the Petersburg Rural Fire Department, or St. Paul's Evangelical Free Church.

Cemetery Details

Oakland Cemetery

Petersburg, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **14**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

Service

MAY **15**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Paul's Evangelical Free Church
209 W. Douglas St.
Petersburg, IL 62675

Burial

MAY **15** (CT)

Oakland Cemetery
Petersburg, IL

Tribute Wall



“ *George H. Becker*

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of George H. Becker.*



May 13, 2019 at 11:18 PM



“ *I am so very sorry for your loss. Mr. Becker always had a smile whenever we met. I especially remember how excited he was to sing at your wedding, Phyllis, and how much fun we had preparing for that. He was proud as a peacock that day! May your memories continue to warm your heart and give you strength during this difficult time. My prayers are with you all.*

Joanne (Fleck) Gaston - May 13, 2019 at 08:59 PM

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“ This man was SUPER-FANTASTIC! I am not wrong and I am not lying. God truly broke the mold when he created George. It’s been far too long since I have spent a good amount of time with George and Betty but the memories made over the years will forever be treasured. Sharing stories, talking about cattle over Leo’s pizza that always ended with a bowl of ice cream at their kitchen table. George and Betty’s example of a strong marriage, faith and generosity is unmatched. As I think about all the cattle shows and sales they traveled to support myself and Sarah over the years (and I know there are many others that they did the same for) simply makes me smile. Some of my most cherished show season memories include those that George and Betty invited two crazy, giggly teenage girls to stay with them during the Menard County Fair. George, you will be greatly missed but as the quote reads, “The life of one we love is never lost, it goes on in all the lives it ever touched”
Katie Mendenhall Wilson

Katie Mendenhall Wilson - May 13, 2019 at 08:02 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of George H. Becker.



May 13, 2019 at 02:48 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of George H. Becker.



May 13, 2019 at 02:47 PM

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“ MAY GOD SURROUND YOU WITH HIS COMFORT AND LOVE. GOT TO KNOW GEORGE AT GRACE POINT. WONDERFUL , KIND, FRIENDLY, MAN. LEARNED A LOT ABOUT HIS FAMILY, AND HOW MUCH THEY MEANT TO HIM. REMEMBER, THE ONES WE LOVE ARE NEVER GONE, THEY LIVE WITHIN OUR HEARTS. RIP GEORGE.



Catherine E. (Hermes) Canfield - May 13, 2019 at 12:02 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of George H. Becker.



May 13, 2019 at 09:23 AM