



Jerry M. Wilson

October 12, 1947 - February 25, 2024

Jerry M. Wilson, 76, of Havana passed away at his home at 9:47 p.m. on Sunday, February 25, 2024. He was born on October 12, 1947 to Donald and Madeline Wilson.

Jerry is survived by his wife, Gail (Smith) Wilson of Havana; children, Jeri (Jason) Shilling and Heather (Stevan) Hofreiter, both of Havana; grandchildren, Dominique and Samuel Shilling and Madison and Claire Hofreiter, all of Havana; two step-children, Michelle (Chuck) Calhoun of Mattoon, Illinois and David West of Brookfield, Illinois; three step-grandchildren, Laney and Nolan Kelomel and Drake Calhoun; great-grandson, Jaxen Jenson; and great-granddaughters, Braelynn and Lillian Lindsey. He is also survived by his siblings, Mark (Mary) Hosford, Gene (Donna) Hosford, Guy Hosford, Chris (Lee) Eilers, Kevin (Donna) Smith, Penney (Darren) Mathias, Sandy McCari, and Randy Smith. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Jerry attended school in Havana and served in the U.S. Navy from 1964 until 1968. He worked for Westinghouse in Lester, Pennsylvania, Scott Paper in Chester, Pennsylvania, and Boeing in Essington, Pennsylvania before moving back to Illinois. He then worked for Walker Forge in Havana, Caterpillar in East Peoria and Mossville, Star Transport in Morton, and Farm and Home in Havana. He was chief driver for the Essington, Pennsylvania Volunteer Fire Department and Captain of the Havana Volunteer Fire Department. He was a member of the Havana VFW Post #6408 Auxiliary and Havana Boat Club.

A visitation will be held on Thursday, February 29, 2024 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Hurley Funeral Home in Havana. Graveside services will be held on Tuesday, March 5, 2024 at Camp Butler National Cemetery.

Online condolences can be left for Jerry's family at www.hurleyfh.com.

Hurley Funeral Home in Havana is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Camp Butler National Cemetery

5063 Camp Butler Road
Springfield, IL 62707
(217) 492-4070

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **29**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Hurley Funeral Home - Havana
217 North Plum Street
P.O. Box #648
Havana, IL 62644
(309) 543-2244
<https://www.hurleyfh.com/>

Tribute Wall



“ Hurley Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Jerry M. Wilson



Hurley Funeral Home - February 29, 2024 at 02:11 PM

LT

Sorry for your family's loss! Lisa Thompson

Lisa Jill Ulrich Thompson - March 02, 2024 at 08:45 PM

BN

“ Bill & Lynn Nebergall purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Jerry M. Wilson.



Bill & Lynn Nebergall - February 29, 2024 at 10:55 AM

BN

“ Bill & Lynn Nebergall planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jerry M. Wilson.

Bill & Lynn Nebergall - February 29, 2024 at 10:55 AM



“ *Mark and Donna Morris lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wilson. We are sure going to miss his sense of humor and all the good times we had. Especially at the various Boat Club events that we attended together.*



Mark Morris - February 28, 2024 at 06:28 PM



“ *Larry Mary Hundt sent a virtual gift in memory of Jerry Wilson*



Larry and Mary Hundt - February 28, 2024 at 02:52 PM



“ *Mark and Mary purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Jerry M. Wilson.*



Mark and Mary - February 28, 2024 at 02:02 PM



“ *Ron Barb Quinones lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wilson*



Ron and Barb Quinones - February 28, 2024 at 12:32 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jerry M. Wilson.*



February 28, 2024 at 10:39 AM



“ *Chad and kelli turner purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Jerry M. Wilson.*



Chad and kelli turner - February 27, 2024 at 08:54 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss. Prayers and thoughts are with you and your family. He was an awesome guy and we had so much fun on the Fire Department together and was always a great friend. We even shared a birthday together, so I knew he was an awesome guy.*

Michelle Woods - February 27, 2024 at 08:13 PM



“ *Sorry for the loss of a great friend !
Will always remember all the fun we had*



Denice - February 27, 2024 at 06:39 PM

SB

“ Jerry was a really good family friend to us I remember him and my grandpa always hanging out he was funny he will be missed prayers for his family



Shania L Berkley - February 27, 2024 at 04:34 PM

JC

“ Julitta Carpenter lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wilson



Julitta Carpenter - February 27, 2024 at 04:24 PM

CA

“ To Jerry's family. I was saddened to read about the passing of another veteran from our community. Jerry and I had some interesting conversations whenever our paths crossed. I didn't see him often but I enjoyed it when I did. My heart is sad today and I will think about you as you process the loss of your dear family member.

Candy Gann, a fellow veteran

Candy - February 27, 2024 at 01:06 PM

JH

“ *Jim Hough lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wilson*



Jim Hough - February 27, 2024 at 10:42 AM

PG

“ *Many good memories of Jerry. He and Gary carpooled and worked together for many years at CAT, as well as our social friendship. Great guy that always had a smile and knew how to have fun! R.I.P.*



Patricia Gilbreath - February 27, 2024 at 09:36 AM

JC

“ *Heather, so sorry to hear about your dad's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family.
Jeff and Lisa Christen.*



Jeff and Lisa Christen - February 26, 2024 at 10:53 PM

DE

“ *Sorry to everyone for your loss
He was a great guy and wonderful friend*



Denice - February 26, 2024 at 10:02 PM

KG

“ Thoughts and prayers for you Gail and the girls. He will always be with you, as your Guardian Angel. Lord Jesus wrap your arms around this family during this difficult time, Amen



Kathy Grider - February 26, 2024 at 07:38 PM

CA

“ So sorry for your loss. You are in my prayers and he will be missed. He will always be with you in your heart.



Connie Atchison - February 26, 2024 at 07:24 PM

LS

“ Our very deepest sympathy to Jerry's family. Everyone is in our thoughts and prayers. Jerry was a life long friend to me since we were about 4 yrs old. We always had fun, laughter and loved each other. My wife met Jerry when she was 14 and they remained friends till his death as well. May God Bless you all. Alvin and Lorenda Spilker.



Lorenda Spilker - February 26, 2024 at 04:45 PM

DL

“ We are so saddened by this news. May Jerry rest in Peace and rise in Glory, and may Light Perpetual shine upon him.



Dave & Jan Lattan - February 26, 2024 at 03:42 PM

JB

“ We are so sorry to hear about Jerry’s passing. He was a wonderful man and we will miss him!



Jack and Donzia Boggs - February 26, 2024 at 03:42 PM

DW

“ Sorry for your loss .Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family 🙏



Dan and Chris Wilson - February 26, 2024 at 03:17 PM

AB

“ AJ Burgett lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wilson



AJ Burgett - February 26, 2024 at 03:11 PM

JW

“ Heather and the Wilson Family, so sorry to hear your Dad (Jerry) has passed, all our thoughts. Jack & Margaret

Jack & Margaret Walker - February 26, 2024 at 02:46 PM

NE

“ *Jeri and Heather, I am so sorry for your loss.
Your dad was always entertaining at the
Paddlewheel. Love and Hugs to you*



Nancy Elliott - February 26, 2024 at 02:22 PM