



Roy L Cowin

June 11, 1940 - March 5, 2023

Roy Lee Cowin, 82, of Kilbourne passed away at 3:43 a.m. on Sunday, March 5, 2023 at Memorial Hospital in Springfield. He was born on June 11, 1940 to Charles and Evelyn Whitehead Cowin. He married Sharon Cowin on June 14, 1959 in Havana and she preceded him in death on January 9, 2023.

Roy is survived by his children Christy (David) Fletcher of Mt. Vernon, Kentucky and Tony (Jodi Morgan) Cowin of Kilbourne; grandchildren, Sarah (Aaron) Lipe, Benjamin (Morgan) Fletcher, Logan (Morgan) Cowin, Luke (Abby) Cowin, and Nicole (Tanner) Force; four great-grandchildren: Arabella Fletcher, Autumn Fletcher, Stetson Cowin, and McKenzie Force; sister, Lorena Gilmore of Petersburg; brother-in-law, Butch (Laura) Shick of Michigan, and many extended family members.

Roy graduated from Kilbourne High School in 1958 and worked at Caterpillar in Peoria for 33 years. After retiring from Caterpillar, Roy worked in the family business, Cowin Service, until 2018. He served since 1965 with the Kilbourne Volunteer Fire Department, including 12 years as Chief and the last 20+ years as Trustee. Roy was a part of the fabric of Kilbourne, helping with every festival and celebration, sharing produce from his large garden, and was always willing to help where needed. Most recently, Roy enjoyed taking his restored Cushman firetruck to every parade for miles around. More than anything, Roy loved his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. He was dearly loved by his family and close friends and will be greatly missed. A graveside service will be held on Saturday, March 11, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. at

Kilbourne Cemetery. Rev. Abraham Mogerman will officiate. After the service, please join the family at the Kilbourne Firehouse for lunch and to visit with family and friends.

Memorial donations may be made in Roy's name to Kilbourne Fire Department. Online condolences can be left for his family at www.hurleyfh.com.

Hurley Funeral Home in Havana is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Kilbourne Cemetery

Kilbourne, IL 62655

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAR 11. 11:00 AM (CT)

Kilbourne Cemetery
411 4th St
Kilbourne, IL 62655

Tribute Wall

CS

“ *Craig Schaeffer lit a candle in memory of Roy L Cowin*



Craig Schaeffer - March 11, 2023 at 04:22 PM

EL

“ *Ed Lynch lit a candle in memory of Roy Cowin*



Ed Lynch - March 10, 2023 at 10:56 PM

GJ

“ *Greg, Jackie, Emily, Brinna, and Jon purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Roy L Cowin.*



Greg, Jackie, Emily, Brinna, and Jon - March 10, 2023 at 11:59 AM

RG

“ *Robert Griffin lit a candle in memory of Roy Cowin*



Robert Griffin - March 10, 2023 at 01:37 AM

RQ

“ *RON BARB QUINONES lit a candle in memory of Roy Cowin*



RON AND BARB QUINONES - March 09, 2023 at 10:37 AM

KB

“ *Kim Baker lit a candle in memory of Roy Cowin*



Kim Baker - March 07, 2023 at 05:50 PM

TH

“ *So sorry to hear of Roy Lee's passing. Her will truly be missed by anyone whose life hetouched. I know serving with him on the Balyki Alumni Association board. Deepest sympathy to all of his family now and in the days ahead.*

Tammie & Jon Higginbotham - March 07, 2023 at 12:44 PM

KS

“ *Kathy Squires lit a candle in memory of Roy L Cowin*



kathy squires - March 07, 2023 at 11:39 AM

JW

“ John Witherall lit a candle in memory of Roy L Cowin



John Witherall - March 07, 2023 at 10:20 AM

SB

“ Sonia Bartels lit a candle in memory of Roy L Cowin



Sonia Bartels - March 07, 2023 at 09:52 AM

LH

“ Larry And Mary Hundt sent a virtual gift in memory of Roy L Cowin



Larry and Mary Hundt - March 07, 2023 at 08:46 AM

LM

“ Lynne McDaniel lit a candle in memory of Roy L Cowin



Lynne McDaniel - March 06, 2023 at 09:50 PM

ES

“ So sorry for your family's loss! Prayers for comfort for you all.



Elva Stigall - March 06, 2023 at 09:46 PM

TF

“ Tim Sandy Daniel And Family lit a candle in memory of Roy L Cowin



Tim Sandy Daniel and family - March 06, 2023 at 06:41 PM

MI

“ So sorry for your loss he was a great guy

Misty - March 06, 2023 at 06:32 PM

BL

“ Bob Lynn lit a candle in memory of Roy Cowin



Bob Lynn - March 06, 2023 at 02:56 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Roy L Cowin.*



March 06, 2023 at 01:41 PM



“ *Tony and family, we are so very sorry for your loss. Your dad was one of a kind. So very nice and friendly. I can't even imagine not seeing his truck driving around town all the time. Always a wave or a stop just to say hi and ask how we were doing. He was absolutely a pillar of this community. He will be missed greatly.*

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Berkshire - March 06, 2023 at 11:50 AM



So sorry to hear about Roy. He will be missed. We miss seeing him drive around, stop and visit. He always shared his garden. Marvin and Brenda Craig

Brenda Sue Craig - March 06, 2023 at 12:20 PM



My thoughts and prayers to the family. He was a good man I sure will miss him I'm glad to have called him my friend.

Nettie Woods - March 06, 2023 at 01:25 PM



Christie and Tony - I've known your dad since 1966 when I first started working at Caterpillar. Your dad, myself, Charlie Hughes and Terry Justice car pooled to East Peoria for almost 4 years. Your dad was one of the happiest go lucky men I've ever met in my life. May your memories of him bring you peace in your heart just knowing that he is now with Sharon and our Lord Jesus Christ.

Bob Lynn - March 06, 2023 at 03:00 PM

CK

Roy Lee will be missed. He always had a smile, wave, or How are you? And we would be in the chiropractors office. Tony and Christy prayers to you.

Carol Kolves - March 06, 2023 at 03:13 PM

LM

Roy Lee was one of the guys that met regularly at Butch's shed, sharing with Butch, Marshall, Jerry, and once a month, me for some good times. There will be a void.

Larry Markley

Larry Markley - March 06, 2023 at 07:09 PM

KS

sorry to hear this, He was a very nice man. was a good friend to my boyfriend Bear

kathy squires - March 07, 2023 at 11:42 AM

EL

so sorry for your loss..

Ed Lynch - March 10, 2023 at 10:56 PM