



## Wayne R. Hilst

January 1, 1928 - November 30, 2017

Manito—Wayne R. Hilst, 89, of Manito passed away at 6:46 P.M. Thursday, November 30, 2017 at The Lodge in Manito. He was born January 1, 1928 near Manito the son of Jesse and Dora Dwyer Hilst. He married Betty Jean Reynolds on March 17, 1946 in Manito and she preceded him in death on July 4, 2000. He was also preceded in death by his parents and one brother Earnest Hilst. On April 20, 2002 he married Norma Jean Bilyeu in Funks Grove and she survives. Wayne has one son Kirk (Penny) Hilst of Havana; two daughters, Trudy Hufford of Pekin and Leanne (David) Lucas of Homer; three step children, Cynthia (Craig) Wise of Effingham, Cathy (Ken) Cotter of Altamont Springs, FL. and Caroline (Dale) Hansen of Amarillo, TX. There are six grandchildren, eight step grandchildren, five great grandchildren and eleven step great grandchildren. One sister Betty Joy Christians of Rochelle also survives.

Wayne served in the U.S. Army in 1946-47. After returning home from the service he worked for Leifite Lumber in Manito. Later, he and Bob Huette joined together and built the chicken farm north of Manito. They started H & H Lumber and Wayne eventually took control of full ownership and the name changed to Manito Lumber which Wayne ran until 1978 when his son Kirk took over ownership. Later, Wayne started Hilst Tax Service in Manito and continued his service until 2016.

Funeral services for Wayne will be 11 A.M. Monday, December 4, 2017 . at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Rev. James Batchlor will officiate. Visitation will be from 9 to 11 A.M. prior to the service at the church. Burial will be in Meadow Lawn Cemetery Manito. To leave an online condolence go to [www.hurleyfh.com](http://www.hurleyfh.com). Maas-Hurley Funeral Home Manito is assisting the family with arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Meadow Lawn Cemetery

801 E. Meadow Lawn St.  
Manito, IL 61546

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 4. 9:00 AM (CT)

St. Paul Lutheran Church  
21819 NCR 3300E  
Manito, IL

## Funeral

DEC 4. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Paul Lutheran Church  
21819 NCR 3300E  
Manito, IL

# Tribute Wall



“ *Wayne R. Hilst*

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October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *Norm & Judy Lacer lit a candle in memory of  
Wayne R. Hilst*



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**Norm & Judy Lacer** - December 02, 2017 at 05:29 PM