



William J. LeMar

June 15, 1925 - June 19, 2017

William J. LeMar, 92, of Petersburg, died June 19, 2017 at Memorial Medical Center. He was born June 15, 1925 in Tallula to Luther and Dolly (Sutherd) LeMar. He married Virginia Lee Grider on December 13, 1943 while he was in the US Navy. He later served in the South Pacific during World War II.

William was the Postmaster of Tallula for 40 years. He was a member of the Tallula Post 545, Springfield American Legion Post 32, and VFW Post 755. He was a 50-year member of Pleasant Plains Masonic Lodge 700 AF & AM, a former member of Tallula Kiwanis Club, and Captain of Tallula Fire Department for over 25 years. William was a member of the Christian Church since 1944, having served as Building Chairman for the new church. He served as Elder, Deacon, Trustee, Treasurer, Board Chairman, Sunday School Teacher for twenty-five years and Pastoral Relations Committee Member. He served on the Mason, Menard, and Logan County Easter Seal Board for Crippled Children and Chairman of the Petersburg-Tallula drive for St. Jude's Children's Hospital Bike-a-Thon.

He is survived by: his wife Virginia LeMar of Petersburg; two daughters Gloria (Clyde Davis) Leamon of Petersburg and Sharon (Ronald)Cline of Sherman; grandchildren Trisha (Brad) Bergman of Mason City, Evan (Jennifer) Davis of Springfield, Trent (Diane) Hamerlinck of Morton, Todd (Tiffani) Hamerlinck of Springfield, and Teresa (Michael) Atterberry of Petersburg; 18 great

grandchildren and granddaughter-in-law Jackie Hamerlinck. He was preceded in death by his parents, sisters and brothers, and grandson Timothy Hamerlinck.

Funeral Services for William will be held on Monday, June 26, 2017 at the Tallula Christian Church at 10:30 am with a short visitation prior, beginning at 10 am. Adam Hamerlinck and Pastor Dave Poeschel will officiate. Burial will follow at Oakland Cemetery in Petersburg. The family will also host a visitation on Sunday, June 25 at Hurley Funeral Home in Petersburg from 5 to 7 pm. Memorial contributions may be made to the Tallula Christian Church. Condolences for the family can be left at www.hurleyfh.com.

Hurley Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Oakland Cemetery

Petersburg, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 25. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

Visitation

JUN 26. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Tallula Christian Church
311 N. Yates
Tallula, IL 62688
(217) 634-4431

Funeral

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Tribute Wall



“ *William J. LeMar*

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *Bill was one of the kindest, caring man one could ever have the pleasure to know. He brought tremendous amount of joy and service into countless lives including mine! God bless Virginia, Gloria, Todd and all the family from the Todd's. Our lives are enriched because of your presence in them!*

Steven Todd - June 26, 2017 at 08:29 AM



“ *Bill was a great man. He was always a pleasure to chat with on any topic. I feel lucky to have known him. He will really be missed. I offer my condolences to Virginia, Gloria, Sharon and all of his Grandchildren and family.*
Kyle Winkelmann

Kyle Winkelmann - June 25, 2017 at 02:56 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of William J. LeMar.*



June 23, 2017 at 04:05 PM

EC

“ Bill was a kind intelligent man. I sure enjoyed visiting him as a home health nurse. I tried to brighten his day but somehow he ended up brightening mine instead. I have missed visiting him since my move to Burlington Iowa. I have thought of him often. My deepest sympathy to his sweet family. Beth Beams Cox

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LM

“ Gloria and Sharon..... much love to you from the Kording Family.

Linda McCombs - June 21, 2017 at 10:19 PM

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“ So sorry for the loss of this great man! I remember Mr. Lemar from my childhood growing up in Tallula. Sending prayers to his family.

Rhonda Weakley (Beard) - June 20, 2017 at 11:25 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of William J. LeMar.



June 20, 2017 at 11:05 PM

LM

“ The best thing that ever happened to my family was our move from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania to Tallula, Illinois in 1957. I was 9 years old, and like the rest of the Kording kids, I was scared to death. We left all of our Aunts, Uncles, Cousins and friends behind us and we were sure we were going to be lost here. But as that ramshackle old Chevy pulled into town, Tallula wrapped it's arms around us... and we were home. Yes, it was a culture shock, and we were nervous at first..... but people like Bill and Virginia LeMar showed us that living in Tallula was going to be a good thing. He taught us at Sunday School and at our youth group. He and his family were kind and helpful in getting us to feel comfortable in our new "hometown". From there we never looked back. Bill and Virginia taught us by example that the people in Tallula were one big family that truly cared for each other. I have loved them from the very first, and right now, though my memories of Bill are bitter sweet, I will never forget this good and Christian man who meant so much to us.

Rest in Peace, Bill. You will be missed.

Linda Kording McCombs

Linda Kording McCombs - June 20, 2017 at 09:13 PM

HR

“ *always a pleasure working with you and your family!!!*



Hannah RN - June 20, 2017 at 11:34 AM