



William Eugene McGinnis

March 14, 1950 - February 25, 2019

William Eugene McGinnis, 68, of Petersburg, Illinois, passed away at his home on February 25, 2019. He was born on March 14, 1950, the son of Donald "Nick" Lee McGinnis and Helen Elizabeth McCoy in Pekin, Illinois.

William was an Army veteran who served our grateful nation in the Vietnam War. While serving he earned the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal with 1 Bronze Star, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Good Conduct Medal, and three Overseas Bars. He loved spending time with his dog, Lucas, who was also his best friend. He loved all animals, especially eagles, and would rescue any animal that was in need. He also liked dream catchers and other Indian memorabilia and was a Chicago Bears Football fan.

William is survived by his mother, two children, Heather (Russ) Tabb of Pekin, Illinois, and Bill (April) McGinnis also of Pekin; three brothers and a sister, Dennis (Maggie) McGinnis of Athens, Doug (Sarah) McGinnis of Petersburg, Jared (Jennifer) McGinnis of Cooksville, Illinois, and Sally Meher of Armington, Illinois; five grandchildren, Jonathan, Tyler, Makayla, Jayden, and Lucas; two great-grandchildren, Emily and Jocelyn; and his dog, Lucas.

William was preceded in death by his father, a brother, Ronnie McGinnis, and a sister, Annie Graham.

Memorial contributions in William's name may be sent to T.A.P.S. Animal Shelter in Pekin, Illinois, 100 Taps Ln. Pekin, IL. 61554.

Cremation rites were accorded by Hurley Funeral Home.

Please visit William's online obituary at hurleyfh.com to leave condolences and share memories.

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“ *William Eugene McGinnis*

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“ *So sorry for the loss of your dad. Love and prayers Val Gazza*

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“ *We are so sorry to hear about the loss of your dad. Just know our thoughts and prayers are with you all through this difficult time. Love and prayers. Aunt Sherry and Uncle Earl*

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