

Martin Schwab

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Martin William Schwab, 89, died Saturday, January 7, at Jerseyville Manor. The son of Edward and Marie (Schaefer) Schwab, he was born December 18, 1927, at Brushy Mound Township near Carlinville, Ill.

He married Elizabeth Ann Rawe at St. John the Evangelist Church in Carrollton, Ill., on September 20, 1956.

Martin was raised on farms near Carlinville and Medora, and moved to Jerseyville with his wife after their marriage. He worked as a millwright at Laclede Steel for a number of years and later for Jersey County Grain in Jerseyville, Ill. His hobbies included interests in antique clocks, cars and tractors. When he inherited his grandmother's clock upon her death, he repaired it. For a number of years, he made clock repairs in his home. Every hour was a symphony of the clocks chiming in unison. He also enjoyed driving people around Jerseyville in his Ford Model T.

He was a member of the Alton Antique Auto Association and the Jerseyville Knights of Columbus.

In addition to his wife, his survivors include three daughters and their husbands, Suzanne and Larry Hill, Washington, Mo., Heidi and Tom Saddoris, Durand, Wis., and Angela and Henry Genisio, Jerseyville; his grandchildren, Alicia Saddoris, Durand, Wis., Matthew and Haley Saddoris, Minneapolis, Minn., and Martin Genisio, Jerseyville, Ill.; his siblings, Wilbert and Clara Schwab, Brighton, Lu Schwab, Brighton, and Nelda Schwab, Tipp City, Ohio.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Edwarda Kallal.

His body was donated to scientific research at Washington University. A memorial Mass will be celebrated Saturday, January 14, at 9:30 a.m. at Holy Ghost Church, Jerseyville.

Father Patrick Gibbons

In Lieu of Flowers, Memorials to the Jersey County 4-H Foundation are requested.

Alexander & Gubser Funeral Home in Charge of Arrangements