

Larry Admire

Alton | Friday, February 3 2017

Larry R. Admire, 80, passed away peacefully at 8:00 p.m. Friday, February 3, 2017 at his home with his family by his side under the loving care of OSF St. Anthony's Hospice. Larry was born November 9, 1936 in Jerseyville to the late Ray and Juanita (Green) Admire. The family moved to Alton and he attended Alton schools, graduating from Alton High School in 1954. Following his graduation from high school he enlisted in the Army and proudly served for two years, most of the time in Germany. Upon his return he attended Shurtleff College, and was employed by Owens Illinois Mold Manufacturing, and Retail Credit, before beginning his 34-year career as a State Farm Agent with an office in Bethalto. He retired in December 2006. He was an avid bowler, tennis player, golfer, and bird hunter. He was active in the community, serving with the Alton/Godfrey rotary Club, the Optimists, an officer with the Regional Growth Association. He served on the board of directors of the Alton /Wood River Sportsman's Club, Lockhaven Country Club, and the Lewis and Clark Community College Booster Club. He and Barb currently belong to Westlake Country Club. On February 14, 1984 he married the former Barbara Cobeck. They enjoyed almost 33 very happy years together. She survives. Also surviving are three sons, two daughters and a step-daughter. Todd (Mary Pat) Admire of St. Louis; Jud Admire of Alton; Stacey Semanisin (Adele Langlois) of Sugar Land, TX; R. Scott Admire of Alton; Shannon Admire-McDill of Alton; and his step-daughter, Julie (Chris) Childs of Louisville, Mississippi. Also surviving are fourteen grandchildren: Ian Admire of Rosewood Heights; Ryan Admire (Michelle Diaz) of Edwardsville; Tyler (Katie) Admire of Prairietown; Justin Admire (Leah Kiger) of Greenfield; James Semanisin (Brittany Bessiere) of Marietta, Georgia; Jessica Semanisin (Mike Corbin) of Marietta, Georgia; Lucas Admire and Genna Admire of Alton; Patrick McDill of Fort Bragg, NC; Jameson McDill of Alton and two step-grandchildren: Molli Childs and Tanner Childs of Louisville, Mississippi; Adele's two children, Michlynn and Dylan Langlois of Texas



and Leah's son, King. Also surviving are three great-granddaughters, Anslie Semanisin of Marietta, Georgia, Kylie Semanisin of Marietta, Georgia, and Coraline Admire (due March 15th) of Edwardsville. He is also survived by two very special nieces, Kelli Schenk Thompson (Charley), and Jodie Schenk Krueger (Eric Brand) and their families. He is also survived by Chloe, a special Westie and many dear friends. Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by two sisters, Shirley Admire in March of 2014, and Carol Admire in May of 2015. We would like to thank all the wonderful health professionals that have taken care of Larry. Especially Dr. Michael Adams, Dr. Elaine Majerus, Dr. Maria Gonzales Mayda, the nursing staff at Alton Memorial and Barnes. The Home Health Care Team of OSF St. Anthony's especially Marcia, Trish and so many more, and finally the Hospice Team at OSF St. Anthony's especially Jess and Amber. A memorial visitation will be from 4:00-7:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 8, 2017 at Gent Funeral Home in Alton. Private burial will be held at Valhalla Memorial Park with full military honors by the VFW Post 1308. Memorials may be made to the 5A's Animal Shelter, or the Myelodysplastic Syndrome Foundation (MDS), 4573 South Broad Street, Suite 150, Yardville, NJ 08620. Online guestbook and information may be found at www.gentfuneralhome.com