



John Alward

Shipman | Thursday, December 16 2021

John “Jack” R. Alward, 80, of Shipman, went to be with the Lord on Thursday, December 16, 2021, at Alton Memorial Hospital surrounded by his family.

He was born on March 16, 1941, in Carlinville, to the late James and Florence (Bruggeman) Alward.

Jack married Lolita Bierman on October 14, 1978, in Shipman. She survives.

He proudly served our country in the United States Army stationed in Germany. He was a member of Zion Lutheran Church in Shipman where he served in many different positions. Jack was on the Shipman Elevator Board, served on the farm bureau, and the Macoupin County 4H board where he was a Piasa Birds 4H leader for over 30 years. He loved spending time with friends and family, playing cards, games, and puzzles. He was always ready for four-wheeler rides with his dog. Jack was a lifelong farmer, loved his cattle and driving tractors. He was a skilled backhoe operator. Jack always had his best friend next to him, his dog.



Jack is survived by his wife, Lolita; two sons James Alward of Alton and Dwayne Alward of Champaign; brother Marlyn (Margaret) Alward; in-laws Margaret Bierman, Donella Eichen, Bob Bierman, Joe (Jane) Bierman, Charlie (Linda) Bierman, Phillis Bierman, and Darryl Bierman; numerous cousins, nephews, nieces, and extended family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Florence; brother Leslie Alward; in-laws Dolores Alward, Donald Bierman, Ray Eichen, Dorothy Bierman, and Dorothy Bierman.

Visitation will be held from 4 pm to 8 pm on Monday, December 20, 2021, at Anderson Family Funeral Home in Brighton.

Funeral will be held at 10 am on Tuesday, December 21, 2021, at Zion Lutheran Church in Shipman.

Burial will follow at Shipman Cemetery with military honors.

Memorials may be made to Zion Lutheran Church in Shipman or Macoupin County 4H.

Condolences may be left online at www.andersonfamilyfuneral.com