

Don Wilson

Madison | Monday, October 2 2023

Don M. Wilson Sr., 85, of Madison, Illinois passed away at 10:36 p.m. on Monday, October 2, 2023, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville.

He was born August 29, 1938, in Granite City, a son of the late Robert Ulysess and Lillian Elizabeth (Rice) Wilson. He married Jeanette W. (Morgan) Wilson on April 27, 1956, in Advance, Missouri and she passed away on September 14, 2018. He served as a jailor with the Madison County Sheriff's Department and had also served as an alderman and police officer in Madison for several years. He also enjoyed his years of working as an over the road truck driver and mechanic. He enjoyed his days of tinkering with lawn mowers and cars and hunting and trout fishing. Don was an all-around good guy to everyone and will be remembered for the love and special times shared with his family and friends.

He is survived by two daughters and sons-in-law, Kathi and Frank Chandler of Madison and Donna and Alan Funk of Granite City; a son and daughter-in-law, Don M. and Tina Wilson Jr. of Madison; six grandchildren and spouses, Ian Chandler, Brandon Chandler, Crystal and Andrew Gray, Sarah and William Jansma, Kristen and Chris Zahari and John P. Lance; several great grandchildren; one great-great granddaughter; a brother and sister-in-law, Gary and Diane Wilson of Granite City; several nieces; nephews; other extended family and friends.

In addition to his beloved wife and parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers and a sister-in-law, Melvin Wilson and Jerry and Barb Wilson.

In celebration of his life, a memorial visitation will be at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road in Granite City on Monday, October 9, 2023, from 5:00 p.m. until time of a memorial service at 7:00 p.m. with Pastor Steve McKinney officiating.

Memorials may be made to the American Parkinson Disease Association in memory of his beloved wife and may be accepted at the funeral chapel. www.irwinchapel.com