



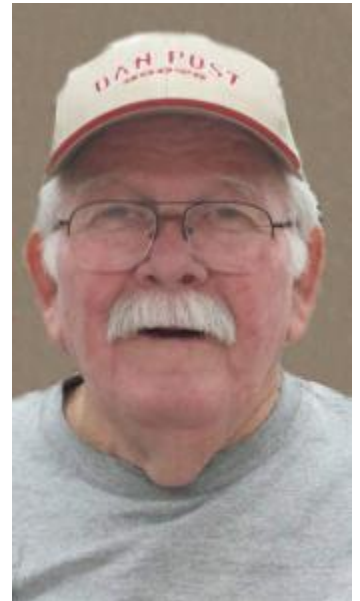
Jack Shook

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Mr. Jack O. Shook Sr, 85, of Grafton, Illinois, peacefully joined the Heavenly ranks at the home of his daughter, Paula and son in law, Tom, in Vero Beach, Florida on Thursday, February 1, 2024. Jack had spent the past year under his daughter's direct care, enjoying the sunshine, the ocean waves, outings to the shooting range and fishing with Tom.

Jack was born February 3, 1938, in Burke County, North Carolina. He was the eldest child of the late Huitt O'Neil Shook and Ethel Queen Shook.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife of 42 years, JoAnn Shook, his brothers, Bob Shook and Bill Shook and his grandson, Joe Shook.



Jack is survived by his sister, Sharon Hudson and husband James of Valdese, North Carolina; sisters in-law, Elaine Shook of Rutherford College, North Carolina and Martha Leger of Connelly Springs, North Carolina; his sons, Jack O Shook Jr and wife, Janice of Grafton, Illinois, Robert "Bob" Shook of Carrollton, Illinois; his daughter, Paula Proffitt and husband, Tom, of Vero Beach, Florida; Five grandchildren, Thomas Proffitt and wife, Jessica of Bethalto, Illinois, Ericka Proffitt and Dionte Granger and his daughter, McKenna, of Grafton, Illinois, Kaley Michiaels and husband, Tyler of Godfrey, Illinois, BethAnn Kallal and husband, Kole of Godfrey, Illinois and Rabeka Shook of Columbia Missouri. Jack was blessed with eleven great grandchildren, Oliver, Ian and Evan Proffitt, Lillian and Matilda Callahan, Jordyn and Jerry Michiaels, Arlo and Milo Shook, and Lexus and Dalton Kallal, as well as numerous nieces and nephews. Jack also leaves behind a special friend, Susan Weid and her family, whom he loved spending time with.

After joining the United States Army at a young age, Jack was stationed at Nike Base in Grafton, Illinois, where he would meet the beautiful young woman that would become his wife and he would spend the next 42 years loving her and raising their family in the heart of Grafton.

Upon leaving the United States Army, Jack began his career with the State of Illinois Department of Corrections, working for the next 26 years at the Pere Marquette Boys Home in Grafton.

Jack retired from his career with the state and spent the next several years as a commercial fisherman, fishing the waters of the great Mississippi River and supplying fish to the fish markets in Grafton. Trot lines and cast nets became his newest hobby. Jack loved spending time trap shooting, hunting and you could set your clock by his weekly Pinochle game with his buddies in Grafton.

Family was everything to Jack, with his many friendships coming in at a close second. If you were lucky enough to have Jack as a friend, you had a friend for life. To know Jack was to love him, and everyone did. He had a heart as big as the sky and always had a kind word for anyone he met. Jack will be missed by so many but his memory shall live on forever in the hearts of all of us who had the absolute pleasure of knowing him and having him in our lives.

Memorial Visitation will be held from 10 a.m. until time of Memorial Service at 12 p. m., Thursday, April 25, 2024 at Crawford Funeral Home in Jerseyville.

Inurnment will follow at Scenic Hill Cemetery in Grafton.

Memories may be shared with the family by visiting www.crawfordfunerals.com