

## William Stiritz

## Godfrey | Saturday, April 10 2010

William Lee Stiritz, 73, died at 9:23 a.m. Saturday, April 10, 2010 at his home.

Born September 8, 1936 in Godfrey, he was the son of Joseph B. and Eunice Marie (McDow) Stiritz. He served in the U.S. Army for two years.

He was a member of the Twelfth Street Presbyterian Church where he was very active and was a former trustee. Mr. Stiritz retired from Local 553 Plumbers and Pipe Fitters Union and was also a farmer. On March 12, 1966 in Elsah, he married the former Sandra Hake. She survives.

Also surviving are three daughters; Delane Jones of Wood River, Dawn Christian of Alton and Kendra Ballesteros and her husband Jeff of Godfrey, three sons; Dale Stiritz and his wife Susan of Alton, Brent Stiritz and his wife Karla of Fairmont City, IL and Thad Stiritz of Godfrey, 11 grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren, one brother, A. Eugene Stiritz and his wife Ellen of Jerseyville, four sisters; Patricia Ward and her husband John of Alhambra, Betty Siemer and her husband Mike of Godfrey, Linda Boehler and her husband Roy of Godfrey and Janet Ragsdale and her husband John of Dorsey and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and an infant sister, Peggy Stiritz.

Visitation will be from 4:00-8:00 p.m. Wednesday at Gent Funeral Home in Alton. Funeral services will be at 11:00 a.m. Thursday at Twelfth Street Presbyterian Church. Reverend David Olson will officiate. Burial will be at Valhalla Memorial Park in Godfrey. Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association or the American Cancer Society.

Online guestbook and information may be found at www.gentfuneralhome.com