

Darrell D. Franklin

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Darrell D. Franklin, 76, passed away at 12:25 am Thursday, November 1, 2012 at Barnes Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, Missouri with his family by his side.

He was born on March 20, 1936 in Monticello, IL, the son of Willie A. and Jenamae (King) Franklin

He married Dorothy M. Huser on July 1, 1972 in Troy, IL. She survives.

Darrell received his bachelor's in education from McKendree College and his master's in education from SIUE. He was a social studies teacher at East Alton Wood River High School for 35 years, retiring in 1999. He then went to work at Balsters and Hinrichs Law Firm as a bookkeeper from 1999 to present. He was a member of Zion Lutheran Church of Bethalto where he served as treasurer from 1990 to 2008. He was the treasurer of the BEA Credit Union in Bethalto from 1990 to the present. He enjoyed sports, especially Cardinals baseball, and reading history. He loved talking to his family and friends and was a great story teller, especially sharing stories with his past students whenever he ran into them.



In addition to his wife, he is survived by his children and their spouses, Melanie and Craig Harms of Bethalto, Nathan and Jennifer Franklin of Arnold, MO, Aaron Franklin of Bethalto and Adam and Dawn Franklin of Shiloh, IL; seven grandchildren, Abigail and Rachel Harms, Cameron, Evan and Tyson Franklin and twins that are due in April; a sister, Audrey Goodman of Longview, TX; a niece, Connie Goodman and nephews, Gayle Goodman, Dayle Goodman and Billy Goodman all of Texas and several great nieces, great nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a niece, Karen (Goodman) Jenkins and a brother-in-law, Delbert Goodman.

Visitation will be from 2 to 6 pm Sunday, November 4, 2012 at Elias, Kallal & Schaaf Funeral Home in Bethalto. Funeral services will be at 10am Monday, November 5, 2012 at Zion Lutheran Church in Bethalto with Pastor Mark Hofferber officiating.

Burial will follow at Rose Lawn Memory Gardens in Bethalto.

Memorials may be made to Zion Lutheran Church or the East Alton/Wood River Foundation

Online condolences and guestbook may be found at www.eliaskallalandschaaf.com