



William C. “Bill” Hardin III

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William C. “Bill” Hardin III, 76, of Alton died at 2:15 p.m. on Saturday, January 18, 2014 at Alton Memorial Hospital. He was born August 4, 1937 in Alton the son of the late W. Clark Hardin II and Bernadine L. (Lister) Hardin.

He was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Godfrey. Bill attained his pilot’s license at the age of 16. He owned and operated Bill’s Hobby Shop from 1953-1980. After closing the hobby shop he sold cars and insurance for a few years. Most recently he worked for 8 years at Lambert International Airport as a TSA agent. He married Donna M. Browning on February 10, 1962 in Alton and she survives.

Surviving are five children; William C. “Buddy” Hardin IV(Barbara) of St. Charles, MO, Dana B. Hardin M.D. (Julie) of Ivins, Utah, Ian Thomas Hardin, J.D. of Alton, Melissa Pruitt (Mark) of Godfrey and Derek Wilson Hardin of Alton, 14 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by one sister, Barbara Grant.

Visitation will be from 4:00-8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 22, 2014 at Gent Funeral Home in Alton. Funeral services will be on Thursday at 10:00 a.m. at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 6500 Humbert Road, and Godfrey with Bishop Dave Hargiss officiating.

Memorials may be made to The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Missionary Fund for his grandson, Yuri. Additional information and online guest book may be found at www.gentfuneralhome.com