



## Lawrence "Larry" Arthur Zykwka

October 27, 1937 - September 20, 2025

Lawrence Arthur Zykwka

"Larry"

Age 87, of Wilmington, IL, passed away on Saturday, September 20, 2025 at his home. Born October 27, 1937 in Chicago, IL to the late Leonard and Bernice (nee Schuknecht) Zykwka. Larry was a Union Electrical Inspector and Building Inspector for Alsip, IL. Member of the IBEW Local 134 for nearly 70 years. Larry was also a member and President of the Alsip Lyons Club, member of the Knights of Columbus, former board member of Shadow Lakes, former board member of the Braidwood Planning Committee. He also coached little league for more than 10 years.

Surviving are two sons, Michael (Sharon) Zykwka of Prairieville, LA and Allen (Kim) Zykwka of New Lenox, IL; two daughters, Valerie (Robert Corcoran) Mitchell of Wilmington and Deneen (Eric) Pradin of Glendale Heights, IL; six grandchildren, Nicole (Justin) Wilhelmi, Eric (Brynnan) Peterson, Samantha Mitchell, Nicholas (Marissa) Mitchell, Connor (Ashlynn Fieri) Peterson, and Christopher Pradin; great grandchildren, Josephine Wilhelmi, Matthew Lemoine, and Zoey Wilhelmi. Also surviving are cousins, Chuck and Phyllis Stolteben, Ed Groth, and Chuck Stolteben, Jr.; nieces, Patti Bartosik, goddaughter Donna (Jim) Bartosik, Christine (Richard) Page, and Sue (Rob) McCullough. Preceding him in death was his wife of 58 years, Holly (nee Minster) Zykwka, whom he married on October 14, 1961 at St. Christina's Catholic Church in Chicago.

Visitation will be at the R.W. Patterson Funeral Home & Crematory on Friday, September 26, 2025, from 4-8 p.m. and also Saturday, September 27, from 10:00 until procession at 11:30 to Assumption Catholic Church in Coal City for Mass at 12:00 p.m. Cremation rites will be accorded following services. Inurnment will be private. For more information and to visit his online guestbook, please log on to [www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com](http://www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com) or find us on Facebook.

R.W. Patterson Funeral Home & Crematory  
401 E. Main St., Braidwood, 815-458-2336  
[www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com](http://www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **26**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

R.W. Patterson Funeral Home  
401 East Main St.  
Braidwood, IL 60408  
(815) 458-2336  
info@rwpattersonfuneralhome.com  
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## Visitation

SEP **27**. 10:00 AM - 11:30 PM (CT)

R.W. Patterson Funeral Home  
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Braidwood, IL 60408  
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## Mass of Christian Burial

SEP **27**. 12:00 PM (CT)

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Roman Catholic Church  
245 South Kankakee Street  
Coal City, IL 60416

# Tribute Wall

CP

“ *Uncle Larry*

*You were an amazing person and I have so many memories of you and Aunt Holly while I was growing up. I will cherish those memories. May we all be reunited at the gates of heaven when the good lord calls us home. Rest easy. I love you ❤️ and by the way, Rich thought so highly of you and said that you were an amazing man!*

*All our Love*

*Rich and Christine*

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**Christine Page** - September 27, 2025 at 07:45 AM

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“ *I love you Dad! Some great memories!*



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**Deneen** - September 25, 2025 at 02:48 PM

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“ *Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us everyday. Unseen, unheard but always near, still loved, still missed and very dear. We know you are in good hands, what a wonderful place to be. We miss and love you, Michael and Sharon Zykwa.*

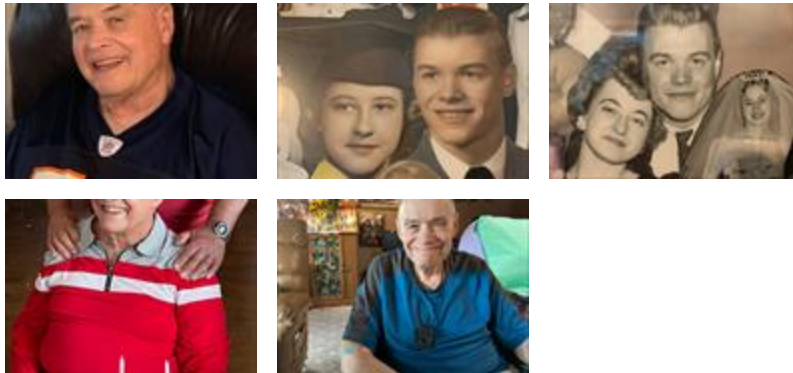


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**Sharon Zykwa** - September 24, 2025 at 12:04 PM

DP

“ *Dad thank you for this beautiful life! Thank you for always encouraging me to better and never give up! I love you and I will see you when God calls me home. Be at peace. Lord Jesus accept your servant Larry who has lived a loving life and given so much to all.*



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**Deneen Pradin** - September 24, 2025 at 11:31 AM

MZ

“ *Rip dad me and sharon love you*



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**Mike zykwa** - September 24, 2025 at 11:03 AM



*Larry you were the best cousin ever wish I could have seen you more.*

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**Ed Groth** - September 24, 2025 at 06:10 PM