



LeRoy "Peachy" Wakeman

November 27, 1929 - August 25, 2022

Age 92, of South Wilmington, IL passed away peacefully Thursday, August 25, 2022 at Lightways Hospice Home in Joliet, IL. Born November 27, 1929 in Coal City, IL to the late Fred and Mary (nee Mombrum) Wakeman. For eighteen years LeRoy worked for Berta Lumber in Coal City, eventually retiring from the Laborer's Local #75 after many years of employment. LeRoy enjoyed his daily golf cart cruises, whether it was a trip to the South Wilmington Fireman's Club, where he loved to fish, or around town catching up with neighbors. He took great care of his garden and thoroughly enjoyed woodworking. His best times were spent having family and friends over and not to forget, swinging with his dog, Lucky. Surviving are his wife of sixty-nine years, Irene Marie (nee Domagala) Wakeman of South Wilmington, whom he married July 18, 1953 at the St. Lawrence Catholic Church in South Wilmington; two children, Terry (Diane) Wakeman of Coal City and Debra (fiancé, Steve Yero) Basham of South Wilmington; four grandchildren, Lisa (Raymond) Brackett of Coal City, Kellie (Ryan Dodge) Basham of Morris, IL, Kyle (Katie) Basham of South Wilmington, and Michelle Emmons of Phoenix, AZ; seven great-grandchildren, Rhylan, Tyler, Brynna, Calen, Tucker, Jenna, and Lauren; numerous nieces, nephews, and their families; and his four legged companion, Lucky. Preceding him in death were his parents, Fred and Mary; two great-grandchildren, Reese and Raygan; son-in-law, Ed Basham; two brothers, Raymond (Josephine) Wakeman and Louis (Joan) Wakeman; and two sisters, Ella Mae (Troy) Bridges and Mildred (Walter) Elliott. As per

LeRoy's wishes, cremation rites will be accorded without services. R.W. Patterson Funeral Home & Crematory is entrusted with the arrangements. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in his name may be directed to the South Wilmington Volunteer Fire Department. For more information and to visit his online guestbook, please log on to www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com or find us on Facebook.

Tribute Wall

LO

“ *Many Years ago I worked with Peachy at the furniture factory. Fun times shooting staples everywhere. Haha. He was a fun guy. Larry Olson & Debbie*

Larry Olson - September 06, 2022 at 08:04 PM

DM

“ *Peachy was a lifelong friend of ours. So sorry for your loss. Dean & Minnie McKinney*

Dean McKinney - September 06, 2022 at 08:00 PM

AJ

“ *So sorry for your loss Peachy was one of a kind....and kind he was. Will keep each of you in our prayers as you go through the grieving process. Randy & Annette Residori-Johnson*

Annette Johnson - September 05, 2022 at 07:46 PM

DC

“ *I'll be keeping your family in my thoughts and prayers. I'm going to miss him coming to the post office and visiting with me...always smiling and something positive to say to make my day!*



Debbie Viano Clavin - August 30, 2022 at 11:33 AM

RW

“ Rich And Theresa Willis lit a candle in memory of LeRoy "Peachy" Wakeman



Rich and Theresa Willis - August 29, 2022 at 11:56 AM

PC

“ Thoughts & Prayers are with your family ❤️🙏

Pam & Tom Carey - August 27, 2022 at 07:27 PM

FM

“ Peachy was one of a kind and will be missed, by all who knew him. He called my husband Bill, “Nuts and Bolts” because he was always working on a car. Our sympathy to Irene and the family. Bill & Faye Malek

Faye Malek - August 26, 2022 at 11:51 PM

BB

“ I remember Peachie always smiling and his eyes also smiling. Always said hello. He will be missed by so many. Prayers for your family.

Bonnie Bizue - August 26, 2022 at 05:15 PM

MS

“ sending hugs and happy memories of your dad!! you are all in our thoughts. Bill & Mary Jo Shain & family

MARY JO Shain - August 26, 2022 at 04:30 PM

JC

“ When Terry and I were kids we dug a hole in the ally where Peachy parked his car. We covered the hole with sticks and grass Peachy came home from work and stepped in the hole and twisted his ankle. One of my first ass whoopings from Peachy and I got it again when I got home.: 1:❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️: 1:will miss “Lightning” he was like a Dad to me love him.

John Corneglio - August 26, 2022 at 01:01 PM

NC

He loved when you called him LIGHTENING

Nicole Corneglio - August 26, 2022 at 10:23 PM

WS

Sorry for your loss he was always smiling he will be missed. Bill and cheryl

William R Sorensen - August 27, 2022 at 10:19 AM

KN

“ I’m so sorry for the heartache you feel. Sending you all lots of love and big hugs.

Krystl Nicoletti - August 26, 2022 at 12:46 PM