



Robert A. Kempes

March 25, 1935 - April 11, 2013

ROBERT A. KEMPES, 78, formerly of Wilmington, IL, late of Leesburg, FL, passed away Thursday, April 11, 2013 at Morris Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center. Robert was born March 25, 1935 in Pittsburg, PA to the late Lawrence and Clara (nee Greis) Kempes. He retired from Pipfitter's Union, Local #597, in Chicago, IL, following 30 years of employment. He was a member of the Loyal Order of the Moose Lodge #241 in Wilmington and the First Christian Church in Wilmington. Bob was a former Scout Master for Boy Scout Troup #457 in Wilmington and had served on the Wilmington Park Board.

Surviving are his wife, Billie (nee Huston), whom he married in 1955 in Pontiac, IL; two sons, Edward Kempes of Valparaso, IN and Fred (Pam) Kempes of Wilmington; three grandchildren, Paige (Steve) Nutt of Wilmington, Brooke (Pat) Brown of Braidwood, and Eric Kempes of Wilmington; four great-grandchildren, Matthew and Michael Nutt and Addison and Reese Brown; and one brother, Jim (Leslie) Kempes of Joliet.

Preceding him in death were two infant children; and one sister, Dorothy Kempes.

Funeral services will be at the R.W. Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd. & Crematory, Braidwood Chapel, Monday, April 15, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. Interment will follow in Oakwood Cemetery in Wilmington. The visitation will

be Sunday, April 14, from 2-6 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts in his name may be directed to the Alzheimer's Association, the Joliet Area Community Hospice or a fund or charity of the donor's choice.

Cemetery Details

Oakwood Cemetery-Wilmington

P.O. Box 775 700 Williams Street
Located at the intersection of Williams and
Oak Street
Wilmington, IL 60481

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **14**. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

R.W. Patterson Funeral Home
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Service

APR **15**. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

WC

“ *Billie and Family.... I will miss Bob we worked as Fitters together. Bill Del Cotto Lu 597*

William Del Cotto - January 17, 2014 at 09:09 PM

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Sara Foote - June 24, 2013 at 10:44 AM

BH

“ *Billie and Family,
Really sorry to hear about Bob. It has been along time since WHS days but knowing him then, I am sure he remained the good guy and family man he personified. My thoughts are with all of you as you mourn, heal and adapt to a new and different life. May each new day bring you comfort and peace as you move forward.
Bev Hooper*

Bev Hooper - April 20, 2013 at 02:39 PM

ST

“ *To Paige, Brooke, and Eric. Sorry to hear about the loss of your Grandpa and Fred sorry about your Dad.*

Stacie - April 17, 2013 at 05:02 PM

DF

“ *Dean & Beth Shepherd And Family lit a candle in memory of Robert A. Kempes*



Dean & Beth Shepherd and Family - April 15, 2013 at 04:46 PM

MB

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you. We have such great memories of Bob.*

Marianne and Gary Brooks - April 14, 2013 at 11:42 PM

BB

“ *Billie, Our sincere sympathy in your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time. Wish we could have been there in person to express our sympathy.*
Gary & Barbara Brieser

Barbara Brieser - April 14, 2013 at 08:15 PM

BB

“ *Billie, our sincere sympathy in your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time. Sorry we can not be there to extend our sympathy in person.*

Gary & Barbara Brieser

Barbara Brieser - April 14, 2013 at 01:43 PM

SF

“ *Billie, you and your family are in our prayers. Bob was a great husband and father and will surely be missed by many. Our thoughts are with you.* ”



Sandy Davis and Family - April 13, 2013 at 07:52 PM

SD

“ *Your family is in our prayers. Your wonderful memories will be a comfort to you now and always. Sandy, Brent, Kaylie and Trent Davis* ”

Sandra Davis - April 13, 2013 at 03:51 PM

LR

“ *Billie and Family, My heart goes out to you. I have missed as my neighbors for years. I will pray for you and your family. Lee Rhoades* ”



Lee Rhoades - April 12, 2013 at 10:12 PM

TD

“ *Treva Runyon Douglas lit a candle in memory of Robert A. Kempes* ”



Treva Runyon Douglas - April 12, 2013 at 08:40 AM

HL

“ *Billie and family, you have my deepest sympathies and prayers.* ”

Helen Lamping - April 11, 2013 at 08:50 PM

NW

“ *Billie and Family, Bob was a good man and friend. Thoughts and prayers are with you all. Rest in peace, Bob.*
Nancy Martens Williams



Nancy Martens Williams - April 11, 2013 at 06:28 PM

SD

So sorry to hear if Bob's passing. Billie and family, you are all in our prayers. Your wonderful memories will be a comfort to you all at this time and always. Sandy, Brent, Kaylie and Trent Davis

sandra davis - April 13, 2013 at 03:23 PM

SB

Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. We are sorry to hear of his passing. Sue and John Brower

Sue and John Brower - April 19, 2013 at 12:55 PM