



## Vincent Bolatto

January 3, 1942 - September 28, 2016

### Vincent Bolatto

Vincent Jay Bolatto, 74, of Essex, IL, passed away suddenly, Wednesday, September 28, 2016 at Presence St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee, IL. He was born January 3, 1942 in Joliet, IL, to the late Stephen and Ellen Marie (nee Dunn) Bolatto.

Vince has served Essex Township as Road Commissioner for the past 38 years and was a lifelong farmer in the Essex and Bonfield area. He was a member and former Fire Chief of the Essex Volunteer Fire Department. He was also a former Police Chief for Essex and he served on the Board of Directors of the South Wilmington Sportsman's Club in Essex.

Surviving are his long-time girlfriend, Geneva Staehling of Essex; one brother, Steven Bolatto of Braidwood; three sisters-in-law, Alberta Bolatto of Wilmington, Judy Bolatto of Bonfield, IL, and Betty (Francis) Cavanaugh of Wilmington, IL; eleven nieces and nephews.; fourteen great nieces and great nephews; and 5 great great nieces and great great nephews.

Preceding him in death were three brothers, Eugene Bolatto, Jerome Bolatto, and Joseph Bolatto; and one sister-in-law, Mary Bolatto.

Funeral services will be at the R.W. Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd. & Crematory, Braidwood Chapel, Tuesday, October 4, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. with Rev. Show Reddy Allam officiating.

Interment will follow in Mount Olivet Cemetery in Braidwood. The pallbearers will be fellow commissioners from several area townships.

The visitation will be Monday, October 3, 2016, from 4-8 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts in his name may be directed to the Essex Fire Department.

Find us on Facebook at R.W. Patterson Funeral Homes.

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# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Olivet Cemetery-Braidwood

Cemetery Road  
Braidwood, IL 60408

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 3. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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## Service

OCT 4. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Our sincere condolences to Geneva and Family*



Chris & Lynn Lichtenberger - October 04, 2016 at 12:46 PM

SR

“ *Vincent was a good man, and a true public servant. My sincere condolences to his family and friends.*  
*Steve Randazzo and family*

Steve Randazzo - October 04, 2016 at 12:28 AM

BJ

“ *Geneva & family....so soory for your loss... Missed seeing you two after the Garage closed... Take care & prayers, Barb Jett*

Barb Jett - October 03, 2016 at 10:15 AM



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Vincent Bolatto.*



October 02, 2016 at 01:09 PM



“ A New Sunrise Spray was purchased for the family of Vincent Bolatto.



October 02, 2016 at 01:02 PM



“ Our heartfelt condolences to Vince's family. Vince had a big heart. He helped us out many times when we lived in Essex. He was a good friend.

**Ken and Donna Reach** - October 02, 2016 at 12:01 PM



“ So sorry to hear about Vincent. I remember so many times he came into the Mullett's restaurant and grocery store. I serve him so many meals coming into the restaurant when I was a little girl. Vincent you will be missed so much. Lori Mullett Thompson

**lori Mullett Thompson** - October 01, 2016 at 05:26 PM



“ Nancy (Dvorak) Harris purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Vincent Bolatto.



**Nancy (Dvorak) Harris** - October 01, 2016 at 04:30 PM

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“ I am so sorry to hear of your lose. I didn't know him as a good friend but I do remember him from the years as the road commission. He was a really nice guy. My name is Diana Smith but I grew up as Diana Melrose. I remember there was many years when I was growing up that we would get snowed in and he would help by going down our lanes a few times to help us get out. Years later when I came back home I remember Vincent helping up with a problem when a neighbor wanted to drill into our water well. It was nice to see a familiar face from my youth. I think he had been friends with my dad and mom, Herschel and Armada Melrose. He will be missed and again sorry for your family passing. You have always your great memories for your lifetime.

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**Diana Smith (Melrose)** - September 30, 2016 at 08:21 PM

BH

“ Praying for comfort for Vince's family and friends.

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**Bertha (Tipsword) Howisen** - September 30, 2016 at 05:45 PM



“ He will be greatly missed. He was a great friend!

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**Theresa Benjamin** - September 30, 2016 at 12:41 PM

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“ So sorry to hear this. A great guy and great friend. Arlene Dittus

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**Arlene Dittus** - September 30, 2016 at 11:04 AM



“ Vincent Bolatto was a dear friend to me and I will miss him. I will never forget the time I spent with him over the years. Vinny always had take time to talk. Vince truly cared about people and would help you if you need it. Rest In Peace old friend, you will never be forgotten.  
Dean & Pat Sharper



Dean Sharper - September 30, 2016 at 09:58 AM

DS

“ Vincent Bolatto was a very dear friend to me. He was always someone that would make time for you. I will miss Vince and never forget our time together. Just seen Vince a couple weeks ago, he just stopped by to see how I doing. That was him. He truly cared about people. Rest In Peace great friend. I will miss you  
Dean & Pat Sharper

Dean Sharper - September 30, 2016 at 08:46 AM



“ Heather Askew lit a candle in memory of Vincent Bolatto



Heather Askew - September 30, 2016 at 08:24 AM



“ You will be so missed Vince! But I know Heaven holds a Special Place for you. Our deepest condolences to the family and friends.  
Bob and Heather Askew

Heather Askew - September 30, 2016 at 08:21 AM



“ *Debbie Horn lit a candle in memory of Vincent Bolatto*



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**Debbie Horn** - September 29, 2016 at 11:24 PM



*My condolences to the entire Bolatto family with the loss of such a true gem of a man in our lives. He will be missed by many.*

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**Debbie Horn** - September 29, 2016 at 11:41 PM



“ *My family will miss Vince. He was always a part of our days..... and who can forget those corn shelling days when Vince, along with my Dad Art Horn and our neighbor Earl Scott would go back and forth to one another's farms to hopefully fill all the cribs with corn. There was many a broken belt and some choice words for the farm equipment when it decided to "throw a wrench" into getting things done....but together they got the job done year after year. Farmers are a special group of men....and these three were their own special group who got in a chuckle or joke among their labors occasionally. And we sure can remember Vince's smiles and laughs in our times shared. I, for one, will surely miss those "good ole boys" and their ventures in farming. Vince loved people and he always made you feel welcome around him. RIP dear Vince We will miss you. P.S. I posted a picture of the three amigos shelling in remembrance.*

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**Debbie Horn** - September 29, 2016 at 11:21 PM



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**Debbie Horn** - September 29, 2016 at 11:03 PM



“ R.I.P. Vince...condolences from David n Tina  
(Scott) McCorkle



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**Tina McCorkle** - September 29, 2016 at 10:33 PM