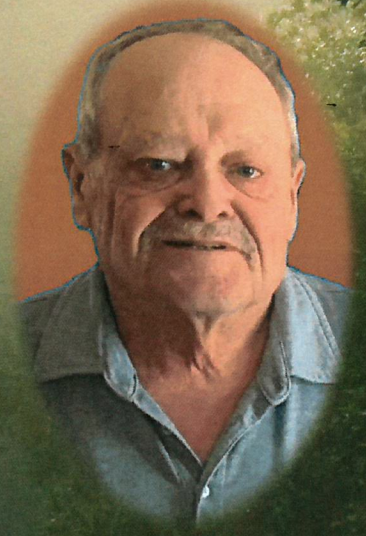
Kenn W. Willis, age 69, of Woodhull, IL, passed away Thursday May 26, 2022 at the Genesis Medical Center in Silvis, IL. Services are 10:30 AM Wednesday June 1, 2022 at the Peterson Wallin Knox Funeral Home in Alpha, IL. Burial is in the Swedona Cemetery. Visitation is from 4-7 PM Tuesday at the funeral home where memorials may be left to the American Cancer Society or the Knox County Humane Society. Online condolences can be made at petersonwallinknox.com

He was born March 22, 1953 in Rock Island, IL. To Otis and Betty Osborne Willis. He attended the Swedona and Sherrard schools. Kenn married Lorry Thompson May 27, 1972. He later married Barbara R. DeDobbelaere September 9, 2000 in Alpha, IL.

Kenn was employed at John Deere Seeding in Moline retiring after 31 years of service. He enjoyed camping, having been a member of the former Timber Campground in Cambridge, IL and a current member of Crescent Lake in Alpha. He was an avid storyteller with a joke and a smile for all. In his younger years, he enjoyed coaching baseball and being a Boy Scout leader. He enjoyed fishing, crafts, playing cards, horseshoes, and being with his family.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara, of Woodhull, IL. 1 daughter Megan (Jeffrey) Beck of Woodhull, 2 sons, Mathew (Rima) Willis of Wheeling, IL. Jamie (Heather) Willis of Orion, IL. 1 step-daughter, Melissa Peterson of Clinton, IA, 5 grandchildren, Payton, Grant, Ben, Drew and Hollis, 2 step-grandchildren, Jena (Jack) LaGrange and Jacob (Morgan) Peterson, 2 step great grandchildren, Kali and Maia LaGrange, 2 sisters, Twyla (Greg) Smith of Swedona, IL, Marsha (Carl) Timmerman of Monmouth, IL. 1 brother Keith (Mitzi) Willis of Sherrard, Il a sister-in-law Judy Willis of Savannah, GA and several nieces and nephews.

His parents 1 sister, Michelle, 1 brother John "J.C." and a nephew Keithie preceded him in death.



In Memory of

Kenn W. Willis

March 22, 1953 ~ May 26, 2022

A Loss

When a loss has come upon you,
and it seems so hard to bare,

There's one who's there to listen,
to understand and care.

For Jesus knows the pain you feel,
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Peterson Wallin Knox Funeral Home
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Officiating

Reverend Andy Busch

Soloist

Grant Beck

Pallbearers

Jay Willis
Garrett Willis
John Willis
Randy Timmerman
Joe Willis
Craig Willis
Bill Faukner
Kevin McMeekan

Interment

Swedona Cemetery