



Eldon Alfred Pfothenhauer

July 29, 1926 - February 20, 2023

Eldon Alfred Pfothenhauer, age 96 of Kankakee, passed away Monday, February 20, 2023 at Ascension St. Mary's Hospital, Kankakee. He was born on July 29, 1926, in Kankakee, the son of Alfred and Clara (Brueggert) Pfothenhauer. Eldon married Joretta Taylor on January 29, 1950, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Kankakee. She preceded him in death on June 30, 2020. Eldon was a kind, devoted, gentle and soft-spoken man. He met the love of his life of 70 years at Myers Bakery, where she would always make sure he got a baker's dozen of his favorite donuts.

Eldon worked at the former McBroom Auto Sales and Wilson Paint Store. He enjoyed a 25 year career with Prudential Insurance Company. Eldon served the Lord as a deacon, a superintendent of Sunday School, an usher, and a committee member at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bradley, IL.

During his career with Prudential, he developed many lasting friendships with his clients. He met or exceeded sales goals nearly every year that qualified him to attend sales conventions which he combined with family vacations to places like New Orleans, New York, Boston, Denver, Orlando, Bahamas and Montreal.

During his retirement, he and Joretta would "Snowbird" to Tucson, AZ. They enjoyed watching their grandchildren at sporting events, dinners at the Moose Lodge with close friends, and spending time with their family. He also enjoyed golfing, playing cards and puzzles.

Surviving are two sons and one daughter-in-law, Larry of Gilman, Jay (Karen)

of Bourbonnais; two grandchildren, Christopher (Megan) of Peotone, Laura (Andy) Nielsen of Bourbonnais; and three great grandchildren, Collin, Avery, and Nora.

Eldon is preceded in death by his wife, Joretta; his parents, Alfred and Clara; one brother, Robert; and one sister, Bertha.

Visitation will be held from 3:00 pm to 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 24, 2023 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Bourbonnais. Funeral service will be at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 25, 2023 at the funeral home. Interment will follow at All Saints Cemetery, Bourbonnais.

Memorials may be made to Our Savior Lutheran Church or Uplifted Care, Bourbonnais.

Cemetery Details

All Saints Cemetery

1839 W. Route 102
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 933-2342

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **24**. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.
295 Main St., NW
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Funeral Service

FEB **25**. 9:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

CD

“ *Condolences for your loss to the entire family.*

Classmate of Jay's, Tom Dandelles - February 25, 2023 at 02:53 PM

GC

“ *Larry and Jay, I am so very sorry to hear of your fathers passing. I can remember fondly the first time I met your Dad. It was September 1977 and I had just started working for Prudential. Eldon was one of the first to welcome me to the office. He was very well respected by his fellow agents as well as his clients. Eldon will always be fondly remembered by the Carter family.*

*My sincerest condolences
Greg Carter*

Sorry I couldn't be there for the services, I am currently out of town

Greg Carter - February 25, 2023 at 10:03 AM

LA

*Thankyou Greg for your condolences. I know my dad liked all you very well. He even stated after you joined Pru., he said, I think the young kid will fit in just fine. Even Bill G. thought so to.
Hope you are enjoying your retirement. It does keep one busier, at least I know I am. Thanks again from Jay and I.*

Larry - February 26, 2023 at 03:05 PM

JJ

Larry I can promise you your Dad and my Papa are golfing right now up there ❤️ Maybe they are even letting my Dad Join :) (Pat Zugg) Praying for you and your family!

And Greg I second that! My papa AND my dad spoke highly of you all the time. He always said to Amanda "If I'm gone, and you need help, call Greg Carter!"❤️

Jen Zugg Johnson

Jen Zugg Johnson - March 10, 2023 at 12:06 AM

GP

“ Dear Larry and Jay I am so sorry to hear of your father's death. He was a very nice cousin and I always thought so much of him and have good memories to cherish. Will keep you all in my prayers. Love Cousin Gwen Padwojski

Gwen Padwojski - February 22, 2023 at 05:16 PM

LA

Gwen Thank you for your words of kindness. Jay and I do appreciate it. Hope all well with you. It has been a few years since I have seen you.

Larry - February 26, 2023 at 03:12 PM