



Louis "Lou" Richard Williams

February 7, 1935 - July 12, 2023

Louis "Lou" Richard Williams, 88, of Sandpoint, Idaho, and formerly of Bourbonnais, passed away on July 12th, 2023, surrounded by his loving sons. He was born on February 7th, 1935, in Bradley, Illinois, to the late Clarence and Goldie (Rains) Williams.

Lou was a devoted father, brother, uncle, grandfather, and great-grandfather, and he cherished every special moment he spent with his family. The love he had for his family knew no bounds.

Lou was preceded in death by his beloved son, Bryan Richard Williams, on August 2nd, 1976. He was also preceded in death by his former wife, Eunice Williams, and six sisters: Marie Williams, Esther Tur, Mildred Young, Maxine Pombert, Virginia Ellis, and Marion Crawford. Additionally, Lou was preceded in death by his two brothers, Clarence "Shorty" Williams, and Robert Williams.

Lou retired from Pekin Insurance. Prior to his career, he served our country in the Army while stationed at Ft. Leonard Wood, MO. and Korea, from 1955 to 1958, serving as a Specialist Fourth Class.

Beyond his professional achievements, Lou was a passionate outdoorsman. He found immense joy in fishing, hunting, camping, and canoeing. Lou had a deep love for reading and watching movies about war and conflicts,

immersing himself in the captivating stories of the past. However, Lou's greatest source of happiness came from spending time with his cherished family and friends.

Lou is survived by his three children: Jeff Williams (Leilani) of Sandpoint, Idaho, Kari Williams Cremer (Patrick) of Land O Lakes, FL, and Craig Williams (Caroline) of Glenview, IL. He is also survived by his two brothers, Fred (Mae) Williams of Bennington, Oklahoma, and Ronald Williams of Bradley, Illinois, as well as two sisters, Cora Barna of Watseka, Illinois, and Donna Taylor of Phoenix, Arizona. He is also survived by his former wife, Linda Eddleman of The Villages, FL. Lou leaves behind 11 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren, all of whom brought him immense pride and joy.

A memorial visitation will be held from 9:00 a.m. until the 10:30 a.m. memorial service on Saturday, August 26, 2023 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais.

Inurnment at Memorial Gardens in Kankakee, IL, with a small gravesite service for immediate family and close friends. Details regarding the memorial service will be communicated to family and friends.

Memorials may be made to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. <https://givenow.lls.org>

Cemetery Details

Kankakee Memorial Gardens

15 S. 3000 E. Rd.
Kankakee, IL 60901

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

AUG **26.** 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

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