



## Wendell A. Beckman

January 10, 1940 - December 22, 2017

Wendell A. Beckman, age 77, of Kankakee, passed away Friday, December 22, 2017 at Riverside Medical Center Emergency Room.

He was born January 10, 1940 in Watseka, the son of Arthur & Emmalien Tammen Beckman.

Wendell married Donna Gordon on October 18, 1975.

He was a retired 32 year employee of CSL Behring. Wendell was a member of the Marine Corps League and the N.R.A.

He collected stamps, coins, lighters, and baseball cards. He was an avid fan of the St. Louis Cardinals and Illinois fighting Illini.

Wendell was a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps having served during the Cuban crisis.

He was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

Surviving are his wife, Donna Beckman of Kankakee; two sons and two daughters-in-law, Kevin & Christine Beckman of Bonfield and Kory & Susan Beckman of Crystal Lake; one daughter, Kristina Schkerke of Bradley; one brother and sister-in-law, Nyman & Teresa Beckman of Rantoul; ten grandchildren, Rachel, Rebecca, Allyson, Lucas, Anna, Kaley, Jacob, Larissa, Tyler, and Charlie; and two great-grandchildren, Lily and Cecelia.

He is preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Betty Broquard.

Visitation will be held 4:00 p.m. until the 5:00 p.m. funeral service on Thursday, December 28, 2017 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Kankakee.

Pastor Karl Koeppen will officiate the service.

Funeral procession will leave at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, December 29, 2017 from Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home in Kankakee for a 10:30 a.m. committal service at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Elwood.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association or St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

Arrangements by Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home in Kankakee.

# Cemetery Details

## Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 Hoff Road  
Elwood, IL 60421

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 28. 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

St. Paul Lutheran Church  
348 E. Merchant  
Kankakee, IL 60901  
(815) 932-0312  
<http://www.stpaulslutheran.net>

## Funeral Service

DEC 28. 5:00 PM (CT)

St. Paul Lutheran Church  
348 E. Merchant  
Kankakee, IL 60901  
(815) 932-0312  
<http://www.stpaulslutheran.net>

# Tribute Wall

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“ To Kevin and family. I just got word from Gary of your dad’s passing. I know such a sudden death is traumatic for the whole family. Please accept our sincere condolences and prayers. May God comfort your family during this time of grief and celebration of Wendell’s life. With warm regards, Dick and Pat

Dick and Pat Casper - December 29, 2017 at 11:23 PM

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“ Sympathy to you and your family.

Loree Yoakum - December 27, 2017 at 01:39 PM

DP

“ Donna you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. We will miss sharing our UP stories with Wendell. Take care, Denise and Steve

Denise Plotezka - December 27, 2017 at 09:31 AM

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“ The Scheppler Family lit a candle in memory of Wendell A. Beckman



The Scheppler Family - December 26, 2017 at 11:15 PM



“ *Light Your Way was purchased for the family of Wendell A. Beckman.*



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December 26, 2017 at 11:14 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of your loss. I was a High School classmate of Wendell and he was always a very nice person. My prayers are with you and all of Wendell's loved ones, who will miss him greatly.*

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**Herman Koester** - December 25, 2017 at 11:48 AM



“ *Wendell was a good friend of mine in Cissna Park. My sympathy to his family. Earl Hari*

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**Earl Hari** - December 25, 2017 at 07:40 AM