



Willie Ray Reed

June 18, 1954 - January 9, 2024

Willie "Ray" Reed, age 69 of Manteno passed away on Tuesday, January 9, 2024 at his home. He was born June 18, 1954, in Griffith, IN, the son of Willie (Bill) Joe and Betty Mae (Stephens) Reed. Ray married Linda Enright on July 18, 1998, in Park Forest, IL. He was a lineman at the Ford Assembly Plant in Chicago Heights, IL.

Ray graduated from Bloom High School. He loved the Chicago Cubs and Alabama football. Ray was a boat owner who enjoyed fishing. He took pride in caring for his lawn and garden. Ray was always talking with people and was easygoing. Ray was a loving husband. Most of all, Ray loved spending time with his family.

Surviving is his wife, Linda of Manteno; one son, Shawn Hickman of Addison; one daughter and son-in-law, Melinda (Quincy) McCrary of Chicago; one sister and brother-in-law, Teresa (Larry) Trump of Beecher; one sister-in-law, Renee Reed of IN; four grandchildren, Patrick, Chase, Robert, and Hazel; nieces, nephews, and a large extended family.

Ray is preceded in death by his parents; and three brothers, Ronnie, Donnie, and Danny Joe.

Cremation rites have been accorded.

Arrangements are by Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Manteno.

Tribute Wall

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“ Jeannie Raines lit a candle in memory of Willie Ray Reed



Jeannie Raines - January 14, 2024 at 01:29 PM

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Ray was a very sweet man. He always had something nice to say to make your day a little brighter. My deepest condolences to the Reed family 🙏

Jeannie Raines - January 14, 2024 at 01:31 PM

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Willie Ray has been a good friend of mine ever since I can remember. Growing up in the same neighborhood and knowing each other and the entire Reed family since we were around 10 years old. In fact the entire Reed family was as close to a second family to me as can be. No matter what the occasion I always remember that Ray left me in a good mood, usually laughing and smiling. Love to Linda & Theresa. Larry & Grace Vitelli

Larry Vitelli - January 26, 2024 at 03:23 PM