



Dennis Ashby Wood

June 21, 1950 - June 19, 2023

Dennis Ashby Wood, 72, died at 9:21 a.m. Monday, June 19, 2023 at his home. Born June 21, 1950 in Alton, he was the son of Vondal and Cynthia (Ashby) Wood. Dennis was a property manager for Boeing and attended the First Baptist Church in Brighton. On September 27, 1973 he married the former Sharon Wilson at Cherry Street Baptist Church in Alton. She survives. Once nicknamed “the strongest man in Alton,” Dennis maintained his strength through good, old-fashioned hard work. From building his own home to helping his daughters with too many household repairs to mention, there wasn’t anything he couldn’t build or fix. He was known as the “MacGyver” of our family and was proud to be the man we all knew we could depend on during any struggle. Dennis was devoted to God and his family above all else. His grandchildren were the light of his life and he made sure they knew it. He will be forever missed by all of his girls. Along with his wife, Sharon, he is survived by two daughters, Emily Hayes (Matt) of Brighton and Anne Berghoff (Ryan) of Edwardsville, and four grandchildren, Leah, Ashlyn and Meredith Hayes and Grace Berghoff. Visitation will be from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Thursday, June 22, 2023 at the First Baptist Church in Brighton where funeral services will be at 10:00 a.m. Friday, June 23, 2023. Pastor Don Letson will officiate. Burial will be at Valhalla Memorial Park in Godfrey. Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church in Brighton. Gent Funeral Home in Alton is in charge of arrangements. Online guestbook and information may be found at www.gentfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Valhalla Memorial Park

2308 W. Delmar Ave.
Godfrey, IL 62035

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 22. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church of Brighton
304 N Maple St
Brighton, IL 62012
(618) 372-3201

Funeral

JUN 23. 10:00 AM.

First Baptist Church
Brighton, IL

Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dennis Ashby Wood.*



June 22, 2023 at 02:01 AM



“ *Dennis and Al really hit it off. Now they can be friends for eternity. I am praying for all of you as you weather this difficult storm. Remember Jesus sees Dennis' homecoming differently than we do. No more trials, no more pain, only joy, and peace. Much love to you.*

Pat Mora - June 21, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *My heart and prayers go out to you Sharon and your family. Even though I only met Dennis once at our class luncheon I could tell he was a very special man. This was especially true as he won the heart of a wonderful twin Wilson girl.*

Sharon Wilson Witty - June 21, 2023 at 09:52 AM



“ *Thanks Dennis for taking us to the movies, the mall, camping, fishing, and providing me a life time friend. My love to your family.*

Michelle Wehmeyer - June 20, 2023 at 03:39 PM