



Duane E. Zimmerman

September 4, 1942 - November 3, 2024

Duane E. Zimmerman, age 82, passed away at Alton Memorial Hospital on Sunday, November 3, 2024. He was born on September 4, 1942 in Highland, Illinois, the son of Edmund and Lucille (Hediger) Zimmerman. Duane married Susan K. (Gaffney) Zimmerman in Alton, Illinois, on March 25, 1983, and she survives.

Duane was a member of Zion Presbyterian Church. He was a farmer, barber, and then worked for Lewis and Clark Community College until he retired in January 2007. He was also a "jack of all trades" and built furniture, repaired bathrooms and kitchens, and many other home improvement projects. He was an avid AC Tractor restorer and collector.

Duane is survived by his wife of 41 years, Susan (Gaffney) Zimmerman; his daughters Vickie Miller and Amy (Ben) Richey, daughter-in-law Stephanie Zimmerman, and his son Brian (LeeAnn) Biggs; six grandchildren Jake (Leah) Zimmerman, Tiffany (Andrew) McCurdy, Adam (Mattie) Smiley, James Biggs, Bo Richey, and Lucas Biggs; and six great grandchildren, Mason McCurdy, Lincoln Zimmerman, Huxley McCurdy, Charli Zimmerman, Easton Smiley and Walker McCurdy; Brother, Elvin (Rita) Zimmerman, brother and sister-in-law, Alan and Joan Gaffney and numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his stepmother, Nellie Zimmerman, father and mother-in-law Harold and Marilyn Gaffney, son, David Zimmerman, son-in-law Marv Miller, grandson, Samuel D. Biggs and brother Donald Zimmerman.

Visitation will be from 3:00 p.m. until time of memorial service at 6:00 p.m. Friday, November 8, 2024 at Gent Funeral Home in Alton. Reverend Julie Gvillo will officiate. Memorials may be made to the Sam Biggs Memorial Foundation. Online guestbook and information may be found at www.gentfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 8. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Gent Funeral Home
2409 State Street
Alton, IL 62002

Memorial Service

NOV 8. 6:00 PM (CT)

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2409 State Street
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Tribute Wall

LK

“ Love Heather, Aubrie, Jessica and Kathy purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Duane E. Zimmerman.



Love Heather, Aubrie, Jessica and Kathy - November 07, 2024 at 05:04 PM

JH

“ i knew Zim from yrs working at the college. we used to have some great xmas parties that the maintenance dept hosted and everyone loved them. then after he retired, i'd see Zim when he was working at a car wash at alby and humbert. was always good running into him. was an easy-going guy to know, talk and laugh with.

jared hennings - November 06, 2024 at 12:25 PM

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“ Duane was a gentleman. Susie, remember when I came over in tears because I couldn't get the nozzle off of my new gas can. Duane stopped what he was doing, and worked with that crazy thing until he figured it out. He saved the day-I got the yard mowed before Ric got home from work! He will definitely be missed around this neighborhood! We will miss his friendly wave.

Nancy Stotler - November 04, 2024 at 10:16 PM