



## Frank William Watrous

January 9, 1935 - September 27, 2012

Dateline: Alton

Frank William Watrous, 77, of Alton, Illinois and formerly of Fort Wayne, Indiana, went to be with his Lord, September 27, 2012 at Alton Rehabilitation and Nursing Center. Frank was born January 9, 1935 in Gibson City, Illinois to Theodore Verner and Alice Ada Anthony Watrous. He married Carolyn Ort on October 1, 1961 in Camden, Michigan. He was a 1954 graduate of Alton High School. After graduating from Moody Bible Institute in Chicago, in 1957, Frank pastored a church in Camden, Michigan and later moved to Fort Wayne, Indiana. There he worked many years for Meadow Gold Dairies as route salesman. Additionally he worked in sales with several other businesses, before moving to Alton in 2004. Frank is survived by sons Mark Watrous and Victor Allen (Margaret) Watrous and a daughter, Kayella Watrous (Aaron) Clay all of Fort Wayne, Indiana. Also mourning his passing are two granddaughters, Susan and Kristen Watrous and a grandson, Connor Clay also of Fort Wayne. He is also survived by sisters: Mary Watrous, of Alton, Kathy (Larry) Mears of Rockbridge, Illinois and a brother Dan (Gale) Watrous of Freedom, Pa. and five nieces and many great-nieces and nephews. Frank was preceded in death by his parents and an infant sister. He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church in Alton. His Christian faith meant much to him. He never met a stranger and was happiest spending time with family and friends. He also enjoyed traveling, volunteering at nearby nursing homes and caring

for his pets. Visitation will be from 9:30 until time of funeral services at 10:30 a.m. Monday, October 1, 2012 at Gent Funeral Home in Alton. Burial will be at Witt Cemetery, southwest of Rockbridge, IL. Memorials may be made to Calvary Baptist Church of Alton.

The family wishes to thank all who helped Frank in his last days- Alton Rehab and Nursing, Family Hospice, and especially the Calvary Baptist Church visitation program.

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Frank William Watrous*

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January 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM



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“ *Uncle Frank was beloved as a son, nephew, brother, father, uncle, grandfather, and friend to many. As my uncle and dad's only brother, I loved him very much. He made the commitment to attend my high school and college graduations. Every time that I saw him I looked forward to laughing with him and hearing his jokes. We miss him so but know he's in the presence of the Lord now. What better place to be.*

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**Lorene Watrous** - October 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our heartfelt sympathies in the loss of your beloved Mr. Watrous. May the fond memories shared bring comfort during this time of grief and pain.*

*( Isaiah 25:8)*

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**Jackson Family** - October 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Uncle Frank was so special to me. He was loving, positive, fun and never had a bad word to say about anyone. He loved to joke around with his nieces and always had us laughing. He made the trip from Indiana to Pittsburgh for my high school graduation and my college graduation. He would come to visit us just about every Memorial Day weekend; it would rain and we would just laugh about it. He was a kind and gentle spirit and we will greatly miss him.

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**Julie and Matthew McMains** - September 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ Dear Kathy and family,

Never having met your brother, I appreciated reading about his life. He has such a kind face. I know you will miss him, but isn't it wonderful that you know you will see him again - he'll be waiting for you in heaven. May your hearts be filled with God's grace and comfort at this time. Bless each of you. Jerie Artz

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**Jerie Artz** - September 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ I am so sorry to hear about Frank. He was a great believer in Christ and testified every time I saw him. He told Bible stories to my grandsons when they came with me. They really enjoyed him. He shared a room with Jack for awhile at the nursing home. Please accept my condolences.

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**Nancy Atkins** - September 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM