



Richard Donovan Rogers

January 18, 1933 - May 14, 2024

Richard Donovan Rogers, age 91, passed away at St. Anthony's Medical Center in Alton on May 14, 2024 and was received into heaven. He left the world with loved ones close at hand.

He was born January 18, 1933 in Alton to the late Pauline Tinsley and the late Henry G. Rogers. He was a faithful employee as a tank foreman at Owens-Illinois Glassworks for 27 years, and retired after 14 years from Cope Plastics in 1998. He enjoyed gardening, working on his car, and going to church. He also enjoyed his family, in which he was a strong spiritual leader.

He began his family early when he married the love of his life, Marilyn Rogers, on March 28, 1952. They have had the blessing of spending 72 years together. In addition to his wife, he is survived by his four children and their partners: Debbie Villmow, Gina Rogers, Terri (Richard) Guymon, and Kristi (Charlotte) Campbell. He is survived by many grandchildren: Jonathon (Kendra) Villmow, David (Jessica) Villmow, Mark Villmow, Charity (Justin) Carter, Dan Villmow, Tessa (Justin) Kanturek, Joy (Kyle) Cashen, Aaron (Brooke) Villmow, and Rachel Villmow. Additionally, he is survived by his 13 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Pauline Tinsley, father, Henry G. Rogers, stepfather Henry "Pop" Tinsley, stepsister Amy Pitchford, and

grandchild Melody Villmow. Visitation will be Saturday, May 18, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. until time of funeral service at 10:00 a.m. at Gent Funeral Home in Alton. Burial will be at Rose Lawn Memory Gardens in Bethalto. Pastor Daniel Sternquist will officiate.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Wounded Warriors Project or The Alzheimer's Association.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 18. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Gent Funeral Home
2409 State Street
Alton, IL 62002

Funeral

MAY 18. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Deepest condolences to the Rogers family. You don't know me but you may recognize my dad's name, Leroy Heeren. Dad and Richard worked together at Cope Plastics and I remember dad mentioning Richard over the years as someone he enjoyed working with. When I saw the Rogers name in the Alton Telegraph I wanted to reach out to your family and offer my condolences. Mary L. Heeren*

Mary L. Heeren - May 23, 2024 at 05:33 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Richard Donovan Rogers.*



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