



## Gordon H. "Gordy" Wilke

March 3, 1940 - June 10, 2015

Gordon H. "Gordy" Wilke, 75, of Union, passed away Wednesday, June 10, 2015 at home surrounded by his family.

He was born March 3, 1940 in Elgin, the son of Walter and Caroline (Barr) Wilke. Gordon was a veteran of the US Army. On Sept. 5, 1964 he married Bonnie Yerke in Union. Gordon was a well known and respected member of the Union Community. He served and volunteered with many organizations, including the Moose Club in Harvard, treasurer for the Village of Union, member of the Union Lions Club, president of the Union Cemetery Board and Board member of Siems Memorial Park. He owned and operated Clasens Tavern in Union for over 20 yrs. and held a position as a rural carrier for the Huntley Post Office for 17 yrs. Gordon began his career as a volunteer firefighter on the Union Fire Dept. in 1964, he continued his career as a volunteer and as Fire Chief. In 1994 he was appointed as a trustee for the Union Fire Protection District to finish his 47 career with the Fire Department. Gordon was a member of St. John's United Church of Christ in Union for over 50 yrs. He loved to travel, especially camping with his family and he was an avid Bears fan. He loved his wife, kids and grandkids and will be deeply missed by all.

Gordon is survived by his loving wife of 50 years, Bonnie; children, Beth (Will) Lulinski of Union, Dan (Holli) Wilke of Woodstock; grandchildren, Tommy and Mia Lulinski; Stepmother, Hettie Wilke of Woodstock; brother, Jim (Sue) Wilke of Chesterfield, VA; sister, Virginia (Bern) Danielson of Woodstock; step brothers, Wayne (Diane) Wilke, Charlie (Barb) Seelhoff, Ron Seelhoff, Vern (Violet) Seelhoff; brother in law, Tom Yerke and Doris of Laguna Hills, CA.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

The Funeral Service will be held on Saturday, June 13, 2015 at 11:30 am at St. John's United Church of Christ, 17824 Jefferson St, Union with Rev. Frank Szewczyk officiating. Visitation will be prior to the service from 9:00 am until the 11:30 am service. Burial will follow in the Union Cemetery.

Memorials in his name may be directed to the Union Fire Dept. or St. Johns UCC in Union.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Gordon H. "Gordy" Wilke*

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