



Norman W. Bailey

January 19, 1938 - November 17, 2015

On November 17, 2015 surrounded by family and holding his loving wife's hand, Norman Wayne Bailey peacefully passed away at his home in Huntley, Illinois.

Born on January 19, 1938 in Chicago, Norm believed the only limitations we had were the ones we placed on ourselves. A diligent worker, he worked his way up through the ranks at Centel (later Sprint) telephone starting as a coin collector until he eventually retired as the Director of Safety at the age of 55.

An adventurous man, Norm and his wife Lilly traveled the world and never missed the opportunity for a life experience. They bought motorcycles in their fifties and traveled the US and Europe in an RV. He snowmobiled, repelled, rock climbed, white water rafted and even faced down a rattlesnake...significant because he, like Indiana Jones, hated snakes. The family enjoyed camping, hiking, fishing, exploring our natural world and finding accidental adventures when taking wrong turns during some of the not so famous "Bailey Alley Tours".

Norman is survived by his wife, Lilly; children, Denise Bailey, Debbie (Mark Kunde) Bailey, Dawn Iselin, Diana (Robert) Henry; and

9 grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Bertrum and Irene (Bastien) Bailey; son, Donald (11 months); and son in law, Robert Henry.

In lieu of flowers or donations, the family requests everyone who knew Norm please perform a random act of kindness in Norm's memory.

A celebration of his life will be held at 1 pm, December 4, 2015 at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 5603 Bull Valley Road, McHenry, IL. Attendees are invited to share their favorite stories and laughter, as we remember Norm the way he requested.

Tribute Wall



“ *Norman W. Bailey*

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