



William "Bill" Schaefer III

August 29, 1939 - November 26, 2023

William "Bill" Schaefer III, 84, of East Peoria, passed away on Sunday, November 26, 2023, at OSF St. Francis Medical Center in Peoria. He was born in Rock Island on August 29, 1939, to William II and Gladys (Kammerer) Schaefer. He married Mary Oliver on March 12, 1973, in Peoria; she survives. Also surviving are his 2 sons, Chris (Sandy) Schaefer of Jackson, WI and Kenneth Schaefer of Peoria; stepson, Jerry Oliver of East Peoria; his sister, Kathy Pio of Peoria; his brother Dave (Penny) Kammerer of Peoria; 3 grandchildren, Brittany (Joe) Johnson, Cassandra (Dustin) Campbell, and Troy (Leah) Schaefer; and 5 great grandchildren, Blake, Chase, Bristol, Mason, and Caden.

He was preceded in death by his brother, John.

Bill worked as the facility manager at OSF St. Francis Medical Center for over 40 years. In his spare time, he loved watching sports and old cowboy movies. The family will receive friends from 1-2 p.m. on Monday, December 11, 2023, at Gary Deiters Funeral Home & Cremation Services in East Peoria, with a Memorial Service following at 2:00 p.m.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Online condolences may be left at www.GaryDeitersFH.com.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

DEC 11. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Gary Deiters Funeral Home & Cremation Services Inc. - East Peoria
444 E. Washington Street
East Peoria, IL 61611

Memorial Service

DEC 11. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of William "Bill" Schaefer III.



December 10, 2023 at 12:18 PM



“ Robert & Karen Pierceall planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William "Bill" Schaefer III.

Robert & Karen Pierceall - December 10, 2023 at 12:18 PM



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Kathleen Kammerer Pozos - December 02, 2023 at 07:09 PM



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Kathleen Kammerer Pozos - December 02, 2023 at 06:57 PM



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Gary Deiters Funeral Home & Cremation Services - December 01, 2023 at 10:11 AM



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Christopher Schaefer - November 30, 2023 at 06:33 PM



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Christopher Schaefer - November 30, 2023 at 12:50 PM



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