



## Joseph Paul Hillen

August 10, 1954 - July 21, 2024

Joseph Paul Hillen, known affectionately as Joe, passed away on July 21, 2024, in Peoria, Illinois, at the age of 69. Born on August 10, 1954, in La Harpe, Illinois, Joe lived a life marked by devotion to his family and a passion for hard work, Harleys, fishing, and good times with dear friends.

Joe dedicated many years to his career as a union sheet metal worker, a testament to his hard work and commitment to craftsmanship. There wasn't a project he couldn't accomplish. Beyond his professional life, Joe was an avid Harley man and fisherman, often riding with his hair in the wind or casting lines into serene waters, pastimes that brought him great joy and peace. Remembered by his grandson as the "best grandpa anybody could ever have," Joe's generosity and kind-hearted nature left a lasting impact on his family and friends. He was always ready and willing to lend a helping hand to anyone without expecting anything in return.

Joe is survived by his loving daughter, Nicole Sherlock, son-in-law Dane Sherlock, and grandson Cameron Sherlock. He also leaves behind his brother Avery (Betty) Mynatt, nephew Mark (Emily) Mynatt, niece Jessi Mynatt, and many cherished family members that he chose. He was preceded in death by his mother, Imogene Hill, sisters Cindy Hill-Maclaren and Betty Evans, brother Charles Hillen, and his grandson Demetrius Rodriguez.

A celebration of Joe's life will be held August 10, 2024 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the American Legion Hall, Bartonville, honoring his memory and the love he shared with those around him. Arrangements are under the care of Schmidt-

Haller Burial and Cremation Service in Peoria, IL. Joe's life and legacy will be cherished and remembered by all who knew him.

Fly high, Daddy.

Online condolences may be left for the family at [www.Schmidt-Haller.com](http://www.Schmidt-Haller.com).

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

AUG **10**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

American Legion  
4501 S Airport Rd  
Bartonville, IL 61607

# Tribute Wall

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“ Hope there are a lot of "shit and Giggles" moments in Heaven Joe.  
RIP

Kellie Hill - August 05, 2024 at 07:19 PM

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“ Prayers from your Friends on H1000 planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joseph Paul Hillen.

Prayers from your Friends on H1000 - July 31, 2024 at 12:01 PM

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“ Prayers from your Friends on H1000 purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of Joseph Paul Hillen.



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“ Nicole, Dane, Cameron and family, sorry for the passing of your Dad and Grandpa. Many prayers are with you all at these hard times. Love Uncle John and Aunt Cathy Stenger

Cathy Dtenger - July 25, 2024 at 10:21 PM

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“ RIP Joe. Many good memories from the Heights. God bless you and your family.

Donna Anderson, Orlando FL - July 25, 2024 at 06:32 PM



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Nicole M Sherlock - July 25, 2024 at 10:10 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Joseph Paul Hillen.



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Megan Loveall - July 23, 2024 at 10:41 PM