



Ted Atkins

October 26, 1956 - July 1, 2025

Ted Atkins, 68, of Chillicothe, IL passed away on Tuesday, July 1, with family by his side, at OSF St. Francis Medical Center.

Ted was born October 26, 1956 to Josephine (Lopeman) and George Atkins Sr. He married Barb (Brunton) on May 3, 1975.

Surviving is his wife Barb, their daughter Sarah (Christopher) Kent and grandson Alexander Kent, all of Chillicothe, IL.

Also surviving are his brothers Tim (Kathy), Greg (Vicky), and Rodger Atkins and sister Ronda (Jimmy) Hoffpauir as well as several nieces and nephews. Further surviving is his chosen brother Denny (Debby) Auperle.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brothers Joe and George Jr.

Ted worked for CILCO for 27 years, starting right out of high school. Ted was happiest when he was around his family, fishing with Alex, helping friends and

family with his handyman skills or out with his animals. He loved history and reenacted the Civil War for over 20 years. While doing the reenactments, he enjoyed visiting local schools and helped bring history to life for the students. He didn't want a fuss so cremation rights have been accorded with a celebration of life to follow at a later date.

The family would like to thank the MICU staff at OSF St. Francis Medical Center for their care of Ted and family in his last days.

Schmidt-Haller Burial and Cremation services are handling arrangements.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Sending love and support! Ted was a wonderful person and thankful to have known him.* ”

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“ *We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Schmidt Haller Burial and Cremation Services* ”

A Memorial Tree was planted for Ted Atkins - July 15, 2025 at 10:13 AM