



Anthony A. St. Louis

April 13, 1933 - October 6, 2019

With deep sadness and a heavy heart the family announces the passing of Anthony A. St. Louis, 86 of Kankakee, Illinois. Born in Bradley, Illinois April 13, 1933 to parents William and Florence (Peterson) St. Louis.

Mr. St. Louis passed away at his home on October 6th, 2019, after a short illness under the careful and compassionate watch of Kankakee Valley Hospice.

Married to JoAnn Raymond, daughter of Adalore and Evelyn (Saffer) Raymond on November 5th, 1960 in Kankakee, Illinois who preceded him in death with her passing on August 29th, 2000.

They raised four children; Pamela Iverson of Harrisburg, Illinois, Roger St. Louis of Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, Thomas St. Louis of Bradley, Illinois and Robert St. Louis and wife Melissa of Wisconsin.

Anthony and JoAnn were grandparents to Marisa (Clint) Perzee of Onarga, Illinois, Stacie (Brian) Merzlicker of Urbana, Illinois, Amy Hoover of Tuscola, Illinois and Deanna Hoover of Harrisburg, Illinois. Christine St. Louis of Greenville, North Carolina, Christopher St. Louis of Chicago, Illinois and nine great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was one of nine siblings and is preceded in death by brothers, Frank,

Arthur, Peter and Joseph. Surviving him are David, Shirley (Ed) Swiatlo, Gerald "Bud" (Judy) and Ronald (Dorothy).

Orphaned as a child at Maryville Academy in Des Plaines, Illinois until he enlisted in the U.S. Army at the age of 17 in 1950. He was assigned to the Infantry Division at Fort Campbell, Kentucky which he then became a team member of the 11th Airborne Division that ultimately led him to the position of paratrooper with the 187th Airborne Regimental Combat Team. Training at Fort Benning, Georgia and volunteering to deploy in the Korean Conflict during the years of 1952-1953 bravely earning his Combat Infantry Badge and being honorably discharged in 1955 from the Armed Forces. He was also presented a Bronze Star for valor during the Korean Conflict. A second re-enlistment in 1955 had him serving in Germany until his second Honorable Discharge in 1958 with the rank of Sergeant.

Shortly thereafter, he began employment at General Foods of Kankakee where he remained a dedicated employee for 29 years. While employed, he earned a degree in Entomology with Purdue University. Upon retirement in 1988, he established a successful self-run Pest Control Business (Tony's Pest Control) for twelve years.

Through the years, Anthony enjoyed numerous activities including participation with the football chain-crew at the former Westview High School. He was a devoted supporter of youth football and baseball organizations. Anthony was a long time parishioner of both St. Patrick's and St. Rose of Lima. A Member of VFW Post 2857 in Kankakee, he served proudly in the Honor Guard at the Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Joliet, Illinois. He also enjoyed relaxing and playing Bingo with friends at multiple locations in and around the community. He was an enthusiastic St. Louis Cardinals baseball team fan. He loved his Red Birds! In his later years he would reside in Florida during the winter season to enjoy the warmth and activities

associated with the southern climate.

His unconditional love and care for his family will be the staple of his legacy.

Visitation will be held at Schreffler Funeral Home, Kankakee Chapel on Thursday, October 10, 2019 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Funeral will be held on Friday, October 11, 2019 at Schreffler Funeral Home, Kankakee Chapel at 11:00 a.m. Burial will follow at Mount Calvary Cemetery where military rites will be accorded.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. Jude's Cancer Research Hospital or Wounded Warrior Project.

Please sign his guestbook at schrefflerfuneralhomes.com

Cemetery Details

Mount Calvary Cemetery

2000 E Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901

Previous Events

Visitation

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

Schreffler Funeral Home - Kankakee Chapel
1900 W. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-2421
<https://www.schrefflerfuneralhomes.com/>

Funeral Service

OCT **11**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Anthony A. St. Louis

February 03, 2023 at 04:30 AM



“ Just looked up your dad's name online and learned of his passing. Please allow me to extend my belated condolence ! Your dad and my husband, Joseph Schrock, both trained together at Ft. Benning and thereafter both served in Korea. Your dad and my husband were both thrilled to reconnect in FL with both sharing the memories that connected them. Joe followed your dad in September of last year at age 90. Although I only met your dad once, it was obvious that he was quite the character, with a twinkle in his eyes, while telling his stories. I am sure that the spirit of these great men lives on and the friendship that started so many years ago continues in eternity.

Brigitte Holden-Schrock - June 19, 2022 at 10:14 PM



“ Oh Roger, Wow, what an awesome guy. He will be missed. Loved his sense of humor.
Didn't realize your Dad was gone. We don't get the paper.
Yesterday a friend mentioned his passing several years ago. So sorry I missed telling the
Family how sorry I am that I missed his service. Missed giving you a hug.
Interesting that both our fathers were orphans.
My best to you & your family. Miss you guys.
You're in my thoughts and prayers.💖

ginger - June 08, 2021 at 05:45 PM

GM

“ Roger,
My most sincere thought and prayers are with you and your family.

Geno

Gene McPeek - October 11, 2019 at 10:36 AM

ET

“ Roger, We are so sorry to hear of your Dad's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Ed and Peggy Thiel

Ed Thiel - October 11, 2019 at 07:41 AM

MB

“ Sorry for your loss. Worked with Tony at General Foods ,great guy.

Mike Betourne

Mike Betourne - October 10, 2019 at 01:55 PM

SS

“ Roger, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Love, Ken and Sue Schooley

Susan Schooley - October 09, 2019 at 10:21 PM

JU

“ You all are in my prayers. Tony and Joe F. Came to our ladies coffee club. Tony always made us laugh. Such a great guy. Rest in Heaven Tony!! You'll be missed. God Bless

Julie - October 09, 2019 at 08:47 PM

BM

“ We are very sorry to hear of your Dad's passing. He has an amazing life story.

Barry and Eileen McEneely

Barry McEneely - October 09, 2019 at 07:29 PM

JP

“ Good bye Tony. I remember years ago someone was bothering your daughter we waited in the car all nite for him. I worked with Tony for almost 8 yrs at Gen Foods. He was a fantastic person

Jim perkins - October 09, 2019 at 12:45 PM

MM

“ MR MRS sent a virtual gift in memory of Anthony A. St. Louis



MR MRS - October 09, 2019 at 09:15 AM

 Mary-Jeff Hines

“ We are saddened to learn of Tony's passing. He was always so kind, and we are proud to have known him, and to have called him our friend! We are sure that he and Joanne are having quite the reunion in Heaven! Love and prayers to Roger, Tom and Bob and your families! God Bless!!! Jeff and Mary Hines - now of Colorado

Mary-Jeff Hines - October 08, 2019 at 08:40 PM

MC

“ *Tony will be sadly missed.* ”



Mary A Calhoun - October 08, 2019 at 05:32 PM