



Arnold Hewitt

September 6, 1944 - December 2, 2021

Arnold Hewitt, age 77, of Bourbonnais passed away on Thursday, December 2, 2021 at AMITA St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee after a courageous battle with COPD. He was a caring husband, father, brother, grandpa, and friend to so many.

Arnold was born on September 6, 1944 in Kankakee, the son of Eleanor Hilgert. Arnold first met his wife, Clara at Bee Back Again on Rt. 45 in Bradley on a Friday night. They were both there dancing the night away and continued to dance it away for years. Only two short years later, on July 1, 1972, Arnold and Clara decided to marry and officially become one. Together they raised four children, Gerald, Michael, Teri, and Shawn. Arnold had a total of twenty grandchildren; twenty-three great-grandchildren; and a pup, Applejack, whom he loved and adored very much.

Arnold was a successful truck driver for 38 years. You would never catch him with a GPS because he always said, he never got lost. If you asked him, he was only site-seeing. To say he was a diehard Chicago Cubs and Chicago Bears fan is an understatement. Whenever he was watching them play, there was always someone nearby watching him yell at the TV.

Arnold said goodbye to his surviving relatives including, his loving wife of 49 years, Clara Hewitt of Bourbonnais; his four children, Gerald & Erin Roth of Carey, Ohio, Michael & Julie Roth of Chebanse, Theresa & Dennis Overacker of Findlay, Ohio, Shawn & Barney Rivera of Kankakee; twenty grandchildren; twenty-three great-grandchildren; four sisters, Karen Harrison of Gilman, Sheryl (Francis) Schunke of Gilman, Janet (Bruce) Schunke of Danforth, and Barbara (Jon) Hubner of Otterbein, IN; one brother, Ralph (Terri) Hewitt of Avon, IN; many nieces and nephews; and many great-nieces and great-nephews. Arnold is preceded in death by his mother, Eleanor Hilgert; one sister, Helen Henrichs; and one brother, Robert Hewitt.

He was an honorable man who loved and prided himself on his family's accomplishments. Arnold will be greatly missed and cherished by many.

Cremation rites have been accorded. A memorial visitation will be held from 3 p.m. until the time of the 5 p.m. memorial service on Saturday, December 11, 2021 at Schreffler Funeral Home in Kankakee.

Memorials may be made to the Kankakee County Humane Foundation.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

DEC 11. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Schreffler Funeral Home - Kankakee Chapel

1900 W. Court St.

Kankakee, IL 60901

(815) 932-2421

<https://www.schrefflerfuneralhomes.com/>

Funeral Service

DEC 11. 5:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Arnold Hewitt*

February 03, 2023 at 04:30 AM

TS

“ *Aunt Clara, Gerald, Mike, Terry, Shawn, condolences on your loss. I have nothing but great memories of Uncle Arnie while growing up. Sad to see him depart, he will be greatly missed.*

Thomas Stanley - December 09, 2021 at 12:18 PM

BB

“ *What a great loss to the world. He will be missed by so many. Our condolences to the entire Arnold Hewitt family. Bob and I will miss the conversations with him during the holidays. Bob and Beth (Erin's parents)*



Bob Baker - December 08, 2021 at 10:00 AM

DS

“ *Denny And Trisha Seegmiller lit a candle in memory of Arnold Hewitt*



Denny and Trisha Seegmiller - December 07, 2021 at 06:48 PM

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Bob Baker - December 08, 2021 at 09:55 AM

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“ *Such a difficult time for this family. Arnie was such a wonderful man and cousin and he will be greatly missed. Our prayers are being sent for the family Johnny and Nancy Ashburn. Dawsonville GA*

nancy ashburn - December 07, 2021 at 06:23 PM

DP

“ *Deb Pool lit a candle in memory of Arnold Hewitt*



Deb Pool - December 06, 2021 at 07:32 PM

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“ *Deb Pool lit a candle in memory of Arnold Hewitt*



Deb Pool - December 06, 2021 at 07:30 PM

TL

“ *Tammy Landis lit a candle in memory of Arnold Hewitt*



Tammy Landis - December 05, 2021 at 11:24 PM