



David O. Girard

February 5, 1947 - October 16, 2025

David O. Girard, age 78 of Bradley passed away on Thursday, October 16, 2025, at Citadel of Bourbonnais. He was born on February 5, 1947, the son of Ollie and Helen (Stillman) Girard. David married Lynn Pederson on May 5, 2006 in Kankakee. Lynn preceded him in death on June 23, 2020.

David was a quality control supervisor and pest control for VanDrunen Farms. He was a former member and Commodore of the Aroma Park Boat Club. David was a member of the Kankakee Bass Masters who enjoyed fishing and deer hunting.

David was a veteran of the United States Army having served from 1966 to 1968.

David was of the Catholic faith.

Surviving is one son, Joe (Abby) Girard of Bourbonnais; one daughter, Aimee (Jeffrey) Jones of Bradley; one stepson, Christopher (Ashlee) Ehlers; one stepdaughter, Heather Ehlers, all of the Quad Cities; two sisters, Marsha Dreeke of El Paso, TX, Michelle Lang of Bourbonnais; one sister-in-law, Lois Pederson of Milan, IL; sixteen grandchildren, Casey Heimberger (Calvin Mitchell), Tori (Craig) St. Peter, Skylar (Ashley Davis) Kroll, Hailee Hankins, Stephen Girard, Kaitlyn Girard (Jeff Peters), Allison Girard, Kairi Ehlers, Zoe

Ehlers, Liara Ehlers, Tayler Shouse, Kaitlyn Shouse, Mason Schnell, Trent Saldivar (McCady Earl), Preston Saldivar, and Brady Saldivar; twelve great grandchildren; several nieces, nephews and cousins.

David is preceded in death by his wife, Lynn, and his parents.

Cremation rites have been accorded.

Memorial visitation will be held from 10:00 a.m. until the time of the 12:00 p.m. memorial service on Wednesday, November 5, 2025 at Schreffler Funeral Homes, Kankakee. Inurnment will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 5, 2025, at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood, IL.

Memorials may be made to the family wishes.

Cemetery Details

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 W. Hoff Road
Elwood, IL 60421
(815) 423-9958
<http://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/abrahamlincoln.asp>

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

NOV 5. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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

Memorial Service

NOV 5. 12:00 PM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall

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“ Dave, my brother Steve, cousin Rodney, and I all began our journeys on Main Street in West Kankakee. Those were the days filled with laughter, adventure, and, yes, a bit of mischief. We cherished those moments together, creating memories that will stay with us forever.

To Marsha and Michelle, and to Dave's wonderful children, Joe and Aimee, please accept our heartfelt sympathy. Dave's presence will be deeply missed, and we are truly sorry for your loss.

Stan and Carol White

Stan and Carol White - November 01, 2025 at 11:41 AM

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Mark White Sr - October 18, 2025 at 02:50 PM

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Abby Girard - October 18, 2025 at 10:41 AM