



Walter Howard

September 2, 1931 - August 23, 2017

Walter Howard, 85, of Kankakee passed away August 23, 2017 at his home. He was born September 2, 1931 in Kankakee to Raymond and Ruby (Grinstead) Howard. Walter married Christine Bohlmann Christensen October 24, 1981.

He worked for Caterpillar as a Metallurgical Engineering supervisor for 37 years retiring in 1987. Walter had a multi-engine flying license and flew charter flights out of Morris, IL in the 1950's. In 1980 he joined St. Paul Lutheran Church and has been a member there for 37 years. Prior to that he was a member at Zion Lutheran Church and was on the Finance Committee. Walter enjoyed fishing, hunting, boating and was a lifelong member of Kankakee Valley Boat Club.

He is survived by his wife Christine of Kankakee, a step son and daughter-in-law, Eric (Tracey Ohrt) Christensen of Bourbonnais, a stepdaughter and son-in-law, Tari (Mark) Saltzgiver of Louisville, TX, 9 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren. Also surviving is a sister, Doris "Maxine" Kirchner of Limestone, 3 brothers and sisters-in-law; Ronald (Cheryl) Howard of Arcadia, FL, Lester (Gay) Howard of Kankakee and Gary (Donna) Howard of Herscher.

Walter was preceded in death by his parents; his mother-in-law and father-in-law; Rev. Herbert and Mildred Bohlmann, 2 brothers; Raymond Howard Jr. and Lavern Howard and one brother-in-law, Duane Kirchner.

The visitation will be Sunday, August 27, 2017 from 4 pm to 8 pm at the Schreffler Funeral Home, Kankakee Chapel. There will be an additional time

of visitation from 9 - 10 am at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Kankakee, IL,
Monday, August 28, 2017 until the 10 am funeral service with the Rev. Michael
Hanel officiating. Burial will be at Mound Grove Gardens of Memory,
Kankakee, IL. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to St. Paul Lutheran
Church Building Fund or Hospice of Kankakee Valley.
Please sign his online guestbook at www.schrefflerfuneralho

Cemetery Details

Mound Grove Gardens of Memory

1000 N Greenwood
Kankakee, IL 60901

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 27. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

Visitation

AUG 28. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Paul's Lutheran Church
348 E. Merchant St.
Kankakee, IL 60901

Funeral Service

AUG 28. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Paul's Lutheran Church
348 E. Merchant St.
Kankakee, IL 60901

Tribute Wall



“ *Walter Howard*

February 03, 2023 at 04:30 AM



“ *I will always remember talking to Walter when I would go see Aunt Ruby when I was little kid...Walter would always be so kind and helpful...We will all miss him so much...God Bless
Love Edward Howard*

Edward Howard - August 26, 2017 at 11:00 PM



“ *Tom Mallaney lit a candle in memory of Walter Howard*



Tom Mallaney - August 25, 2017 at 08:08 AM



“ *Cross Wind Chime - Bronze was purchased for the family of Walter Howard.*



August 24, 2017 at 12:28 PM

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“ 4 files added to the album *New Album Name*



penny hall - August 24, 2017 at 11:02 AM

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“ *There are not enough magnificent words to say what a wonderful person Wally was as a friend to my Mother and me, a mentor to my son and a loving husband to Chris, his beloved. He will be dearly and tearfully missed and he will be joyfully remembered for all of the good times we all shared with him. Wally, you are now in the loving arms of our Lord. Penny Hall, Tucson*

Penny Hall - August 24, 2017 at 10:17 AM