

Jerry Lynn Hyland

August 24, 1950 - November 26, 2023

Jerry Lynn Hyland, fondly known as Lynn, 73, of Windsor, Illinois passed away unexpectedly on November 26, 2023.

Born on August 24, 1950, in Shelbyville, the son of Gerald A. and Betty E. (Gaston) Hyland. He was a devoted husband to Katherine Lee Uphoff, whom he married on December 19, 1994. Their love story is one that will continue to inspire and comfort those left behind. He was a proud father to Gavin Wright of Mt. Zion and Amber (Jeremy) Harlin of Findlay, who will forever hold their father's memory in their hearts.

Lynn was also a doting grandfather to Paige Harlin of Bethany, Grace Harlin of St. Louis, Miles Harlin of Findlay, Lucas Parker, Lorelei Parker, and Lexie Wright, all of Sullivan. His legacy will continue to thrive through his two great-grandchildren. He also leaves behind his brother, Dirk (Donna) Hyland of Windsor; brother-in-law, Scott (Janet) Uphoff of Bloomington; and several nieces and nephews. Lynn was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Brad Hyland.

Lynn was a proud 1968 graduate of Windsor High School, remaining a part of the community he loved throughout his life. After graduation, Lynn answered his country's call to service during the Vietnam War. From 1969-1971, he served valiantly as a Tank Commander in the United States Army. His leadership, bravery and selfless service did not go unnoticed as he was a Purple Heart recipient. After his military service, he worked as an electrician with the IBEW Local 146 in Decatur, displaying the same dedication and resilience he had in all areas of his life.

A man of the outdoors, Lynn found solace in nature, whether he was doing yard work, hunting, or fishing. Yet, he was never happier than when he was spending time with his family and friends. His love for his family was evident in every aspect of his life, and his spirit will continue to live in the hearts of those who loved him.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 30, 2023, at Lovins-Lockart Funeral Home in Windsor with Pastor Jason Kinder officiating. Visitation will be from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service. Burial will take place in Windsor Cemetery with military honors by the Windsor American Legion Garrett Baldridge Post 725. Memorials may be given to Saving Orphaned Animals Shelby County, Wounded Warrior Project, or K9 for Warriors, three causes close to Lynn's heart. Memorials may be sent to Lovins-Lockart Funeral Home, P.O. Box 52, Windsor, IL 61957.