



Andrew Joseph Soper

October 4, 1984 - September 12, 2023

Andrew Joseph Soper, 38, of Decatur, formerly of Centralia, passed away peacefully at home on September 12, 2023.

Andrew was born on October 4, 1984, to Randy Soper of Decatur, Evelyn (Majewski) Soper of Centralia. He was a remarkable individual who touched the lives of many with his intelligence, kindness, and compassion. Andrew had a passion for the Chicago Cubs and presidential history. When he was younger, he could list off the presidents from start to finish, and even in reverse. He was great at sports, playing Baseball, Basketball and Soccer in his youth. He loved playing guitar, listening to alternative music, and had a crush on singer Katy Perry.

He is survived by his parents Randy (Casey) and Evelyn, son Raymond of Decatur; wife Kristin (Gullen) of Decatur; brother Dustin of Nashville, TN; grandfather Leonard Majewski of O'Fallon, MO; uncles Gary (Lisa) Soper of Kankakee, IL; Carl (Terri) Majewski of Laramie, WY; and David (Jo Ellen) Majewski of St. Paul, MO; aunts Sandra (James) Henson of Centralia; Brenda (Larry) Hays of Mesa, AZ; Gloria (John David) Finney of Centralia; and great Aunt Sylvia Shockley of Sparta, IL; as well as many cousins and friends around the country who will continue to cherish his memory and the countless moments they shared together. (...and we can't forget Raymond's dog, Chloe!)

Andrew was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Raymond and Audrey (Burkett) Soper, his maternal grandmother Agnes (Mendel) Majewski, aunts Myra Ann Soper, Janice (Soper) Womack, Audra (Soper) Cowie, uncle William Cowie, and his best friends, Zach Frost and Andy Skibinski.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held graveside at Hillcrest Memorial Park on Monday, September 18, 2023 at 1:30 PM with Rev. James K. Gullen officiating. Visitation will be held Monday morning at 11:00 AM until 1:00 pm at the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home in Centralia. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Cystic Fibrosis department at SSM Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital and will be accepted at the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home at 235 North Sycamore Street Centralia, Illinois 62801, (618)532-3523, who is honored to be of service to Andrew's family. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com and the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home Facebook page.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **18**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home
235 N. Sycamore Street
Centralia, IL 62801

Celebration of Life

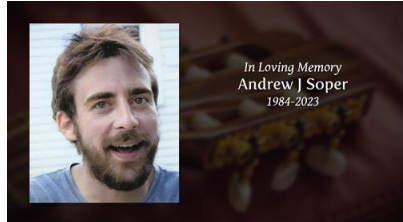
SEP **18**. 1:30 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Hillcrest Memorial Park
2500 Old Highway 51 North
Sandoval, IL 62882

Tribute Wall



“ *Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Andrew Joseph Soper*



Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services - September 16, 2023 at 11:51 AM

CM

“ *AJ, I was sad to learn of your passing. I always enjoyed talking about our Cubs, with you. You were a great neighbor to have. I appreciated your kindness, ,how funny you could be, & helpful if needed. You were a good guy. I will be here for Kristin & my buddy Raymond & Fat girl (Chole) any time, they need a friend. Godspeed AJ. May you be at peace.*



Connie Matherly - September 22, 2023 at 12:54 AM

YF

“ *Your DT Nashville Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Andrew Joseph Soper.*

Your DT Nashville Family - September 18, 2023 at 11:35 AM

YF

“ *Your DT Nashville Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Andrew Joseph Soper.*



Your DT Nashville Family - September 18, 2023 at 11:35 AM

DJ

“ *Sending all my love to your family. May you be at peace & happy Andrew. ❤️*
Danielle J

Danielle J - September 17, 2023 at 01:53 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Andrew Joseph Soper.*



September 16, 2023 at 01:33 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Andrew Joseph Soper.*



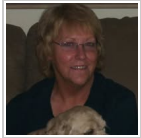
September 16, 2023 at 08:17 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Andrew Joseph Soper.*



September 15, 2023 at 04:54 PM



“ *Jan Edgar- Poehler lit a candle in memory of Andrew Joseph Soper*



Jan Edgar- Poehler - September 15, 2023 at 10:57 AM



“ *My sympathies to you all on the loss of Andrew.*



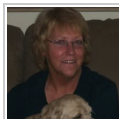
Janet Holland

Janet Holland - September 14, 2023 at 01:18 PM



So sorry for the loss of your loved one. Thoughts and prayers for all of your family.

Helen Rueter - September 15, 2023 at 09:55 AM



So Sorry!

Jan Edgar- Poehler - September 15, 2023 at 10:58 AM

RW

Randy, Evelyn So sorry for your loss! I can't imagine losing a child. My heart goes out to both of you. May god comfort you during this time and be with you always!

Rick Wethington - September 15, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Andrew Joseph Soper.

September 14, 2023 at 12:43 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Andrew Joseph Soper.



September 14, 2023 at 12:43 PM

AT

“ Anna, Steve, John and The Grove Team purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Andrew Joseph Soper.



Anna, Steve, John and The Grove Team - September 14, 2023 at 12:28 PM