



Billy Irvin Finley

August 10, 1948 - January 23, 2025

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Billy Irvin Finley, who departed this life on Thursday, January 23, 2025, at the age of 76. Born on Tuesday, August 10, 1948, in Centralia, Illinois, Billy was a beloved member of the Centralia community, where he lived a life full of love, service, and dedication.

Billy proudly served his country in the United States Army, and he later dedicated his career to serving the community as a mail carrier. He was known for his warm smile, unwavering work ethic, and his kind interactions with all those on his daily route.

He was preceded in death by his loving parents, William and Ethel Finley; his cherished wife, Sandra Finley; his infant brother, Robert Finley; his brother, Terry Finley; and his grandsons, Blade and Cole Eaker.

Billy leaves behind a loving family who will cherish his memory: his sons, Mitchell Finley, Billy Irvin Jr., and Richard Finley, all of Centralia; Jason Rhynes and wife Heather of Salem, and Allen Rhynes and wife Shawna of Salem; his daughters, Wendy Finley of Centralia and Cora Rhynes of Sandoval. He is also survived by his sisters, Glenda Sanders and husband Mike of Centralia, Patricia Berning and husband Jerry of Walnut Hill, and Janet Huffman and husband Jesse of Noble. Billy's legacy continues with his

20 adored grandchildren, several great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family finds solace knowing that Billy is reunited with the loved ones who preceded him, and they are comforted by the support of friends and relatives.

Per Billy's wishes, cremation rites will be accorded and no public service will be held. In honor of Billy's life and service, the family encourages donations to be made to Wounded Warriors, an organization that was dear to his heart .Contributions may be sent to Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home, located at 235 North Sycamore Street, Centralia, Illinois 62801, (618) 532-3523, who is honored to be of service to Billy's family. Friends and family are welcome to express condolences online by visiting www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com or the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home Facebook page.

Tribute Wall

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“ I worked with Billy at CMCI for quite a few years and really enjoyed our conversations and working with him and all the employees. Deepest sympathy and condolences to the family

Linda Moergen - January 30, 2025 at 02:43 PM

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“ My sincerest condolences to Billy's family. He is now a Guardian Angel for every one of you. Billy was always a good guy and well liked by most every one he ever meet, always willing to lend a helping hand if he could. He will be sorely missed.



Patty Ellis - January 30, 2025 at 01:33 AM

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“ So very sorry for your loss, you all are in our thoughts and prayers. RiP Bro



Janet Finley Huffman - January 28, 2025 at 09:02 PM