



Billy J. Koch

June 9, 1941 - July 30, 2025

Billy Joe "Dynamite" Koch, 84, of Centralia went to be with the Lord Wednesday, July 30th at home surrounded by his family. He was born June 9th, 1941 in Centralia, the son of Emil Henry Koch and Pauline Cunningham Koch.

He is survived by three sons: John Koch and wife Misty of Centralia, Jerry Koch and wife Jessica of Dix, and Jason Koch and wife Kristi of Dix; significant other: Flora Isaak of Centralia; one brother: Terry Koch and wife Debbie of Hoffman; twenty grandkids; several great grandchildren; a very special family friend: Robin Wilbur; and many great nieces and nephews. Bill was a Centralian all his life and worked at the Community Center for eight years. He worked for Bunny Bread for thirty-two years and was a Union Steward for local Teamsters. He also worked four years at the Centralia City Schools. Bill was a firefighter with the Centralia Fire Protection District for eight years. He enjoyed playing on the Wednesday night Skips golf league for many years. His past time was going camping, in which he enjoyed because of all the new places he went to and experience. He owned and operated Centralia Ice Sales for several years. Bill could be found at Arizona Joe's every afternoon having a beer with his friends.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents, two sons: Jimmy Koch and Jeffrey Koch, four sisters: Jackie Middleton, Carol Sue Thomas, Sandy Stamer, and Donna Jean Martin.

Graveside Services for Billy Koch will be held on Tuesday, August 5, 2025 at

1:30 pm at Hillcrest Memorial Park Cemetery in Centralia with Pastor Steve Upchurch officiating. A visitation for family and friends will be held Tuesday, August 5, 2025 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home in Centralia. In memory of Bill, memorial donations may be made to the Centralia Animal Shelter, and will be accepted by the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home at 235 North Sycamore Street in Centralia, IL 62801 (618) 532-3523, who is honored to be of service to the Koch family. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com or the Funeral Home's Facebook page.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 5. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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

Graveside Service

AUG 5. 1:30 PM - 1:50 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 Billy J. Koch*



Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services - August 04, 2025 at 05:51 PM



“ *SO SORRY TO HEAR OF BILLS PASSING....WE ALL USE TO HAVE LOTS OF FUN TOGETHER...MAY HE R.I.P. BIG HUGSSS TO ALL THE FAMILY*

PETREA FAMILY - August 05, 2025 at 01:00 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Billy J. Koch.*



August 04, 2025 at 02:03 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Billy J. Koch.*



August 01, 2025 at 10:39 AM