



## Doyle R. Cook

November 4, 1961 - January 10, 2025

Doyle R. Cook, a beloved husband, father, and grandfather, passed away peacefully on Friday, January 10, 2025, at the age of 63.

Doyle was born on November 4, 1961, in Watseka, Illinois, the son of Arvid and Geraldine (Parks) Cook. He married Betty Coffman in Pontiac, IL at the First United Methodist Church on April 28, 1990 and she survives him in Centralia.

Doyle was a dedicated Correctional Officer at the Lawrence Correctional Center. His commitment to his profession was matched only by his dedication to his country, having served honorably in the United States Army where he served from 1979-1988. He collected and assembled model trains, which reminded him of his dad who worked on the IC Railroad. He enjoyed 4-wheeling, riding his motorcycle, and most importantly his love of fishing, where he would spend the whole month of May every year in Wisconsin. He spent many of hours shooting his firearms. His greatest enjoyment was his family. He will be remembered for his quiet strength, his dedication to his family, and his unwavering integrity.

He is survived by his loving wife, Betty Cook of Centralia, and their children, son Kyle Cook of Centralia, and daughter Melissa Padilla and her husband Matthew of Washington, Illinois. Doyle was a proud grandfather to his two

cherished grandchildren, Zander and Hailey Padilla. He is also survived by his three brothers, David Cook and his wife Denise of Sebastian, Florida, Dennis Cook and his wife Shirley of Gillman, Illinois, and Donald Cook and his wife Michelle of Midland, Texas, along with several nieces and nephews.

Doyle was preceded in death by his parents, Arvid and Geraldine Cook, and his father and mother-in-law, Harry and Ruby Coffman.

Funeral services for Doyle R. Cook will be held Thursday, January 16, 2025 at 6:00pm at Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home in Centralia with Pastor Tim Mondy officiating. Military Rites will be accorded by the American Legion Post 446 and the V.F.W. Post 2055 in Centralia at the Funeral Home. Burial will be in Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Elwood, IL. A Visitation for family and friends will be held from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm at the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home on Thursday, January 16, 2024. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to American Heart Association or to the Shriners Hospital 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 Cook family. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting [www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com](http://www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com) or the Funeral Home's Facebook page. A visitation will be held on Friday, January 17, 2025 from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm at the Knapp-Redenius Funeral Home at 234 N. Central Street Gilman, IL 60938 (815) 265-7636. A Funeral Service will be held Friday, January 17, 2025 at Knapp-Redenius Funeral Home at 2:00 pm. for his hometown friends and family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 16. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

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

## Funeral Service

JAN 16. 6:00 PM - 6:45 PM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall



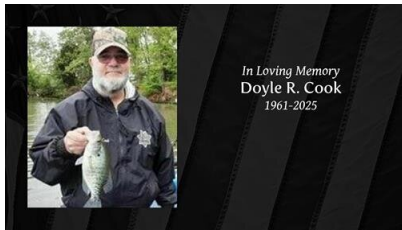
“ *Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services created a Webcast in memory of Doyle R. Cook*



**Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services** - January 16, 2025 at 08:19 PM



“ *Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Doyle R. Cook*



**Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services** - January 15, 2025 at 07:06 PM

WH

*You will so missed in the Pilled patriot community. RIP Fren 🙏🕊️  
Deepest sympathy to the family. God bless you. You are in our prayers.*

**WhiteWings1776** - January 16, 2025 at 03:53 PM

BC

*A great job was done by this funeral home preserving the memories of Doyle so our family who could not be here could mourn and remember with us. Thank you for everything. Betty Cook and the Doyle R. Cook family.*

**Betty Cook** - July 15, 2025 at 05:41 AM

HD

“ *Rest in peace, Doyle. You have earned your heavenly home.*

**Helen DeRose** - January 17, 2025 at 02:11 PM

H-

“ *He will be missed by a so very many... but never not loved!!!*

**H-OH** - January 16, 2025 at 07:15 AM

HN

“ *Harley N. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Doyle R. Cook.*

**Harley N.** - January 15, 2025 at 07:28 PM

HA

“ *My heartfelt condolences go out to you. I knew Doyle as Lt\_Cooker and he was a dear friend. Always so kind. He will be missed greatly. God Speed my friend. ~Harley*



**Harley** - January 15, 2025 at 07:21 PM

DF

“ *Going to miss you LT. You are loved and missed. RIP brother!*

**Deplorable Farmer** - January 15, 2025 at 05:15 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Doyle R. Cook.



January 15, 2025 at 04:01 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Doyle R. Cook.

January 15, 2025 at 04:01 PM



“ Friends from Pilled.net purchased the Distinguished Service Casket Spray for the family of Doyle R. Cook.



Friends from Pilled.net - January 15, 2025 at 02:34 PM



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Friends from Pilled.net - January 15, 2025 at 02:34 PM

SG

“ My deepest sympathies to the family. I last saw Doyle right after I got out of the Army back in 1983. We parted ways and life happened. I have many happy memories of going to Gilman to see Arvid and family. I can't forget Wisconsin fishing trips to Duck Lake and Eagle River as a kid. The pool parties in the back yard in the summer. I remember discovering what WW2 C-rations were with Doyle before either of us enlisted. I will cherish all the good memories we had. Scott and Ingrid Gilvin

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**Scott and Ingrid Gilvin** - January 15, 2025 at 02:15 PM

TJ

“ The Allison's Stan, Cindy, Jeff, Julie purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Doyle R. Cook.



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**The Allison's Stan, Cindy, Jeff, Julie** - January 15, 2025 at 02:12 PM

RB

“ What a good memory I have of this man. I met Doyle as a young Correctional officer at Centralia, then subsequently I became his supervisor at Lawrence Correctional Center. We rode our Harleys on a few occasions together, talked about life, guns, fishing and our times in the military and always being 'prepared', but losing a friend like Doyle, you're never prepared. Rest in peace Lieutenant Doyle R. Cook...

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**Richard Bice** - January 15, 2025 at 07:53 AM

EC

“ I could write a book about all the things you have done for me. Dealing with me since I was a baby you may be the only Cook with patience. You always kept you promises and were good for your word and I will keep mine to you. I miss you and I love you.

*Fast and erratic*

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**Eric Cook** - January 14, 2025 at 10:02 PM

AL

“ Alice Leuer lit a candle in memory of Doyle R. Cook



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**Alice Leuer** - January 14, 2025 at 05:28 PM

AL

*Eternal Rest grant to Doyle. Let your light shine on him. May he rest in peace. My heart goes out to the family at this time. God wrap your arms around them and comfort them in this time of grief. May they feel your love, support and presence during this time of sorrow and in the days that follow..*

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**Alice Leuer** - January 14, 2025 at 05:33 PM

LC

“ Doyle was our neighbor growing up on the south side of Gilman. When the street flooded, as it did often back in the day...he would come up the street in his canoe and give us rides. He was always very nice. Thoughts and prayers to his family.

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**Laurie Clark** - January 14, 2025 at 04:17 PM



“ *Carla Chase-Earles lit a candle in memory of Doyle R. Cook* ”



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**Carla Chase-Earles** - January 14, 2025 at 02:59 PM