



## John David Davenport

September 16, 1947 - May 29, 2019

John David Davenport, 71, of Centralia, IL passed away after a heart attack on Wednesday, May 29, 2019 at Palmetto General Hospital in Miami, FL with his loving family by his side.

A celebration of life service will be held at 1:00 PM, Saturday, June 8th at Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home, 235 North Sycamore Street, Centralia, IL 62801. The burial will follow at Little Grove Cemetery in Walnut Hill, IL. Friends may call from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM Saturday at the funeral home.

David was born September 16, 1947 in Chattanooga, TN to John Haul and Reba Sue (Morgan) Davenport. He graduated from Tyner High School in Chattanooga, TN and then Tennessee Technical University in Cookeville, TN. His Master's degree in Mechanical Engineering was from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville. Forty-five years ago he married Doris Ann (D. Ann) Tilghman on August 11, 1973 in Chattanooga, TN.

David traveled extensively for Massey-Ferguson Inc. and later the AGCO Corporation as a Combine Product Specialist. Several times he was assigned responsibilities in Mexico and Canada. He also worked for a time at Joy Mining Machinery in Mt. Vernon, IL.

David enjoyed NASCAR races, St. Louis Cardinals baseball and was also a

fan of University of Tennessee basketball and football. He loved attending Centralia High School Orphan basketball and football games. He was a multi-gallon blood donor for the American Red Cross. David was an active member of the Centralia Church of Christ and an excellent Bible class teacher. His dedication to the Lord was admired by many.

David is survived by his wife D. Ann of Centralia, IL and his daughter Susan Lowrance and husband Casey of Miami, FL. He was “Paw Paw” to four grandchildren: Oliver, Henry, Charlotte and Savannah all of Miami, FL. He is also survived by one sister Suzanne Bartel and husband Larry of Rising Fawn, GA. David was preceded in death by his parents John Haul and Reba Sue Davenport and a son, Andy Davenport.

In honor of David, memorial donations may be made to the “Big D” Relay for Life team or to Orphan’s Lifeline International ([www.orphanlifeline.org](http://www.orphanlifeline.org)) and will be accepted by the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home, who is honored to be of service to the Davenport family. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting [www.sutherlandfunderalhome.com](http://www.sutherlandfunderalhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Little Grove Cemetery

Walnut Hill  
Walnut Hill, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 8. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM.

Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home

## Funeral Service

JUN 8. 1:00 PM.

Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home

# Tribute Wall



“ *Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services created a Webcast in memory of John David Davenport*

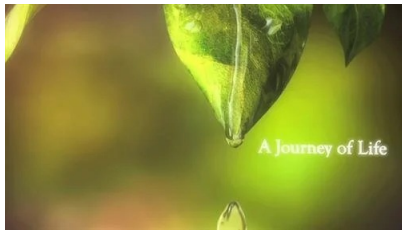


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**Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services** - June 08, 2019  
at 02:03 PM



“ *Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of John David Davenport*



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**Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services** - June 05, 2019  
at 03:48 PM

CR

*Beautiful! Brought tears to my eyes. Will miss him but know he's in a better place.*

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**Cris** - June 05, 2019 at 10:44 PM

CR

“ We all know death is a part life, but for some it seem they should live on forever. You are sadly missed David by so many. There is not a day that goes by that you imprint in this world will go unnoticed. Your life lived on earth was a dedication to the Lord and your family and friends. You were more than a friend to me, you became like a father figure in so many ways. I never expressed that to you. Having your godly wisdom helped me through a lot.

*My heart is comforted knowing you are in a far better place.*

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**Cris** - August 05, 2019 at 11:18 AM

OI

“ All of us here at Orphan's Lifeline Int'l are so sorry to learn of David's passing. He had such a heart for orphan children and helped forever change the lives of so many orphans through his support over the years.

*D. Ann, thank you for all you and David have done for the children since 2004. There aren't words enough to express our gratitude for your faithfulness and generosity, nor to express our condolences now. He was a wonderful man who will be greatly missed. Please know you are in our prayers. May God surround you with His sweetest peace and comfort.*

*Your friends at Orphan's Lifeline Int'l*

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**Orphan's Lifeline Int'l** - June 25, 2019 at 06:18 PM

DO

“ I am so sorry to hear of David's passing. I had the pleasure of working with Dave off & on from the mid 1980's at Massey Ferguson & Agco. We did many a combine meeting together.  
*Don Pogalz Retired from Agco*

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**Don** - June 11, 2019 at 05:25 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of John David Davenport.*



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June 07, 2019 at 01:51 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John David Davenport.*



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June 07, 2019 at 11:48 AM



“ *Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of John David Davenport.*



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June 07, 2019 at 10:01 AM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of John David Davenport.*



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June 06, 2019 at 03:41 PM

CR

“ *Cris lit a candle in memory of John David Davenport*



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**Cris** - June 06, 2019 at 12:54 PM

JS

“ *I am so blessed to have D Ann and David in my life for the past several years . What a lovely couple they are . I do believe if you look up SOUTHERN GENTLEMAN in Webster's there is a picture of the handsome David Davenport. Calm and easy going David is what balances out his lovely active /non stop D Ann . Thanks for sharing your passion and dedication for Relay for Life with so many . Please watch over us from above with Andy as we continue as THE BIG D TEAM to Fight for a CURE . Thanks for the memories, until we meet again. Love, Max and Me. (Jane Ann)*

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**jane ann sensel** - June 06, 2019 at 05:25 AM

DD

*Thank you - MAX AND ME!!!*

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**D. Ann D.** - June 08, 2019 at 01:05 AM



“ 4 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services** - June 05, 2019  
at 04:55 PM



“ 179 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services** - June 05, 2019  
at 02:42 PM



“ *Lynnette S Taylor lit a candle in memory of John David Davenport*



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**Lynnette S Taylor** - June 05, 2019 at 02:10 PM

LH

“ We spent an hour together just about every monday for 3 years. I will miss my buddy.  
Every visit we had he would share his love for his wife & his daughter.  
He was a good man & as Christians we have the grace of celebration knowing he is in a place we all long to be.  
We will miss him dearly until we meet again. May God bring peace upon his family and all who loved him.  
If there is anything we can help with please don't hesitate to ask.  
Lyle H.

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**Lyle Huffstutler** - June 05, 2019 at 09:27 AM

 Lillie Marlow

“ Dear Deanne,  
I am so sorry to read of your husband's death.  
I really understand what you are going through right now.  
Les passed away about a year and a half ago, and it has certainly been a very difficult time for me.  
My thoughts and prayers will be with you.  
🙏💕 Lillie Marlow

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**Lillie Marlow** - June 04, 2019 at 10:57 PM



“ Dearest Deanne, He was Always the first to Laugh and the First with Knowledge of Our Lord and Savior! He is with Andy! Rejoicing in There Reunion with God! He Will Always Be Missed and Loved! He was Truly a Wonderful Man! Always and Forever! Lyl D

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**D** - June 04, 2019 at 06:35 PM

JE

“ So sorry for your loss D. Ann. We will keep you & your family in our thoughts & prayers.

*From you friends at Chaney & Karch Insurance*

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**Jo Ann Edwards** - June 03, 2019 at 04:05 PM

CR

“ You will be sadly missed. It's such a shock and hard to wrap my mind around it all but I know you are rejoicing with Andy now. We will all continue to look after D. Ann, Susan and family.

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**Cris** - June 02, 2019 at 03:09 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of John David Davenport.



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June 01, 2019 at 10:25 AM