



Levi Nelson Rosecrans

September 10, 1940 - June 15, 2022

Levi N. Rosecrans, 81, of Salem, Illinois passed away June 15, 2022 at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, MO.

Born September 10, 1940 in Alton, Illinois, he was the son of Levi Nelson and Jettie (Wilson) Rosecrans.

Funeral services will be 11:00 am Wednesday, June 29, 2022 at the Sutherland - Rankin Funeral Home in Salem, P.O. Box 97, 310 N. Broadway, Salem, IL 62881 (618) 548-1234, entrusted with the family's care. Inurnment will follow at East Lawn Cemetery with friend Troy Cannon officiating. Military Honors will be provided by the Salem American Legion Post #128 in Salem at the graveside. Visiting hours will be from 10:00 am until the service hour at the funeral home. The family suggest memorials be made to Wounded Warriors or to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital and will be accepted by the funeral home. On line condolence may be left at sutherlandfuneralhome.com.

A gifted airline mechanic, his career included working for Ozark Airlines, TWA, Gulf Coast Aviation, and Langa Air, retiring as their Director of maintenance. He faithfully served in the United State Air Force (1957-1978) during the Vietnam Campaign, retiring as a SMSGT (E8) with 20+ years of service, in the 17th Special Operations Squadron, Military Airlift Command and the Strategic Air Command in the following locations at Johnson AB, Japan; Tinker AFB,

OK; Nha Trang AB & Tuy Hoa AB, Vietnam; Guam; K.I. Sawyer AFB, MI and Scott AFB, Illinois.. Decorations received were the Bronze Star in Vietnam, Joint Services Commendation Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Presidential Unit Citation Ribbon, 4 Outstanding Unit Award Ribbons, Vietnam Service Ribbon and a Good Conduct Medal. Levi was honored to be remembered on the Wall of Honor, located at the Mt. Vernon Veterans Museum located at the Mt. Vernon Airport.

Personally, he will be remembered as a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. His sons enjoyed playing a good round of golf with him. He was a St. Louis Cardinal fan. Levi also loved to travel extensively with his wife Karen, wanting to show her the many places he had enjoyed as he traveled the world. He loved cruising, especially to Alaska, spending winters in Florida and always loved working on his own plane.

He united in marriage with Marilyn Joann Webb, March 5, 1960 in Alton, IL. She preceded him in death. He married Karen S. Brown September 16, 2011 In Reno, Nevada and she survives in Salem.

Also surviving are his sons, Chris A. (Jill) Rosecrans, Wood River, IL, Duane (Tracy) Rosecrans, Edmond, OK, Mark (Vicki) Rosecrans, Columbia, IL, and daughter Julia (Rusty) Lee of Rossville, GA. Also left to mourn his passing are his grandchildren, Carly Dawn (Gage) Davidson, Levi "Josh" Rosecrans, Capt. USAF Cody (Addie) Rosecrans, Zachary Mark Rosecrans, Tyler Mark Rosecrans and Kenny (Monica) Bushue along with 4 great-grandchildren Fatima, Natila, Michael Bushue and Tilly Rose Davidson.

In addition to his wife Marilyn and his parents, he was preceded in death by his daughter, Carmen Jean Rosecrans in 1977.

Cemetery Details

East Lawn Cemetery

Salem, IL 62881

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **29**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM.

Sutherland - Rankin Funeral Home

Tribute Wall

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“ Although I never met Levi Senior, I’ve met the wonder man he raised, and I say, we’ll done. May this fine servant Rest In Peace.

kathleen Brown/Sumpter - June 28, 2022 at 08:37 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Levi Nelson Rosecrans.



June 27, 2022 at 03:34 PM

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“ Bonnie, Katelyn, Allie, Kraig & Frank purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Levi Nelson Rosecrans.



Bonnie, Katelyn, Allie, Kraig & Frank - June 27, 2022 at 11:07 AM