



## Linda O'Neill

December 29, 1938 - January 22, 2025

Linda O'Neill, 86, of Centralia, Illinois, peacefully passed away on Wednesday, January 22, 2025 at Helia Healthcare of Salem, at the age of 86. She was Born on December 29, 1938, in Charleston, Illinois, Linda was a beloved wife, mother, sister, and friend who touched the lives of many with her warmth, kindness, and unwavering dedication to her community.

A proud veteran, Linda served in the United States Navy, embodying the principles of service and sacrifice. Her commitment to her fellow veterans and community was evident through her active involvement in numerous organizations, including the Centralia Moose, Disabled American Veterans, V.F.W., and the American Legion. She cherished her roles as a waitresses at the V.F.W., a bartender at the American Legion, in the Color Guard, and a former Chaplain of the DAV. She worked for numerous years at Murray center as a supervisor. It was a job she loved and was proud of.

Linda was particularly fond of playing slot machines, a pastime that brought her much joy. Above all, she was devoted to her family and cherished spending time with her children and numerous loved ones.

Linda is survived by her husband of 13 years, Dale Garren of Centralia; six sons, Mike O'Neill, Shawn O'Neill, Jim O'Neill, and Joe O'Neill (Jennifer) all of Centralia, Tim O'Neill (wife Lynn) of Machesney Park, Rick O'Neill of New

Baden; her daughter, Kathy Hall (husband Jim) of Centralia; siblings, Frank Jim Lewis (wife Linda) of Antioch, Illinois, Jeannie Willits of California, and Rosanna Perkins of Centralia; 14 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren, as well as many cherished nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father, Frank Lewis; mother and step-father, Wanda and George West; her daughter, Belinda O'Neill; her granddaughter, Kerri Hall; and her sister, Junie Lewis.

A visitation service will be held on Wednesday, January 29, 2025, from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM at the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home in Centralia, Illinois. Graveside services will follow on Thursday, January 30, 2025, at 11:00 AM in Hillcrest Memorial Park in Centralia.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations be made to the Disabled American Veterans, an organization that was close to Linda's heart and will be accepted at Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home, located at 235 North Sycamore Street, Centralia, Illinois 62801, (618) 532-3523, who is honored to be of service to Linda's family. Friends and family are welcome to express condolences online by visiting [www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com](http://www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com) or the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home Facebook page. Linda's family wishes to express their heartfelt gratitude to all who have supported them during this difficult time. Her legacy of service, love, and laughter will forever be cherished.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **29**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

## Funeral Service

JAN **30**. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (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 Linda O'Neill*



**Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services** - January 28, 2025 at 09:59 PM

PB

“ *I was a member of the Women Of The Moose in Centralia. She was a hard worker and will be missed.*

**Pamela Grace Boettcher** - March 31, 2025 at 05:30 PM

MJ

“ *So sorry for your loss. She was a great Lady.*

**Myra Johnson** - January 29, 2025 at 06:59 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Linda O'Neill.*

January 28, 2025 at 06:49 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Linda O'Neill.



January 28, 2025 at 06:49 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Linda O'Neill.

January 27, 2025 at 01:06 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Linda O'Neill.



January 27, 2025 at 01:06 PM



“ Hi Dale and family, sorry to learn of Linda's passing. Enjoyed eating supper with you and her last year. Remember your reception , chief and I came. Former classmate and friend, Norma Hill-Smith

**Norma Smith** - January 27, 2025 at 12:38 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Linda O'Neill.

January 24, 2025 at 08:23 PM

DT

“ Donny & Jenalee Trumbo lit a candle in memory of Linda O'Neill



Donny & Jenalee Trumbo - January 24, 2025 at 02:24 PM

JC

“ John and Sharon Claybaugh planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Linda O'Neill.

John and Sharon Claybaugh - January 24, 2025 at 01:26 PM

JC

“ John and Sharon Claybaugh purchased the Chee seboard Gourmet Gift for the family of Linda O'Neill.



John and Sharon Claybaugh - January 24, 2025 at 01:26 PM

JC

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Linda was a wonderful woman who will be dearly missed. She touched the lives of many. Rest in peace sister, you were/are loved by many.

John Claybaugh - January 24, 2025 at 01:19 PM

KG

“ I knew Linda through some of the most difficult times in her life as a young momma. You could tell that her love for her children was a driving force that helped her through them. She was a very caring person.

Hugs to the whole family!

'Aunt' Karen

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**Karen Gatherer** - January 24, 2025 at 12:57 PM

LL

My sisters fathers name was Harold Lewis, not Frank. So sad and so sorry to see my sister has passed. My sister will be greatly missed. We had so much fun in Las Vegas. and on our visits to Centralia that were to few. I only hope that there are slot machines in heaven. ( sis loved to play them) GOD BLESS HER

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**Linda's brother Jim(Frank) Lewis** - January 25, 2025 at 02:16 PM