



## Robert "Bob" L. Richards

February 27, 1934 - January 14, 2015

Robert "Bob" L. Richards, 80 of Centralia, passed away Wednesday, January 14, 2015 at his home. Mr. Richards was born February 27, 1934 in Orchardville, son of George Richards and Flossie (Hutson) Richards. He married Betty (Wayman) Richards on February 18, 1955 in Marion County and she survives in Centralia. In addition to his wife of 59, he is also survived by a son, Rodney Richards and wife Andrea of Centralia; a daughter, Kathryn Bequette of Centralia; three grandchildren: Justin Ring, Stacie Ring, Jarod Bequette all of Centralia; 2 great-grandchildren, Drake Moss of Goreville and one on the way; a sister, Gladys Ramsey of Rock Falls; a sister-in-law, Shirley Richards of Salem; several nieces and nephews. He was preceded death by his parents, a brother: Leland Richards, two sisters: Vickie Hardy and Edith Richards, and a granddaughter: Ashley Wolf. Mr. Richards worked for AC Mann for 30 plus years as a Heavy Equipment Mechanic. He enjoyed watching NASCAR and Drag Racing. He also enjoyed fishing and going to Pawn Shops. Mr. Richards like to buy John Deere Lawn Mowers to repair and sell. Most of all he loved spending time with his family, friends and his four-legged friend, Rylee Poo. Funeral Services for Robert "Bob" Richards will be held Sunday, January 18, 2015 at 7:00 pm at the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home in Centralia with Pastor Doug Romine officiating. Visitation will be held Sunday evening from 4:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the SSM Home Health, SSM Hospice, or to the Donor's Choice and will be accepted at the funeral home.

Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting [www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com](http://www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall

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“ *May Gods Grace be with You Today and always! So very sorry for Your loss. God Bless.*

Janet Finley - Huffman & Family - January 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Betty, Rod R and Kathy; my prayers and thoughts are with you.. Shade Tree will be missed by all who knew him! He came from good stock. Mike Marcum Clearwater FL*

January 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ *My heart breaks for you all. My cousin was so special to me. He was one of my protectors when I was little. I am so glad he found you, Betty. Bob was so happy with you and his Kathy and Rodney. Thank you for being there for him. My prayers are with you all. God bless you.*

Alice Hutson/Morton - January 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Take comfort in knowing that now you have a special guardian angel to watch over you.*

Andrea & Tia Means - January 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ *So sorry for your loss. Prayers to all families involved. May happy memories help you at this difficult time. Dannie and Lynn Johnson.*

Lynn Johnson - January 16, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Betty, Rodney, Kathy-I was so sorry to hear that Bob died. He was so good to me when Kathy and I were growing up.I know your hearts are heavy and you wonder how you will ever get through this. Find comfort in knowing he suffers no longer and all his days are Good Days. Let your family and friends help you through this.Please know I will keep you in my prayers for the days week months ahead.Love you all. Patti

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January 16, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. Uncle Bob was a great man. He left all of you with wonderful memories to cling to until you all meet again.I will be praying for all of you. I love you all so much. Aunt Betty you deserve special mention here, you were truly his angel. You certainly honored your wedding vows of in sickness and in health. You seen that he was taken care of and met all of his needs. You are my hero.You stayed strong and was able to do things alone that most could not. Even when you were exhausted you still kept on making sure he was ok. I am praying for all of you and I love you all so much.

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**Terri Marcum** - January 16, 2015 at 12:00 AM