



## Jodie Newell

May 20, 1946 - September 14, 2015

Jodie Newell, 69, of Rockford passed away on September 14, 2015 in his home, after battling cancer. Born on May 20, 1946 in Rockford, son of Jack and Betty (Newell) Mortimore. United in marriage to Colleen Noble on June 3, 1967. Formerly employed at NAPA Auto Parts, retired from Modern Metals. Obtained his GED from Harlem High School. He was an avid Chicago Bears and Cubs fan. Survived by his wife, Colleen; children, John Newell, Nicole (Paris Catlin) Newell; grandchildren, Adrian, Jalen and Christian; siblings, Becky Hohn, Mike Mortimore and David Mortimore; and a host of nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by his parents; brother, Jon and special grandmother, Della Ford. Special thank you to OSF Hospice, especially Marilyn and Michelle. Cremation rites accorded. Private family services. Grace Funeral & Cremation Services is assisting the family. Visit [www.graceFH.com](http://www.graceFH.com).

# Tribute Wall

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“ I am very sorry to hear Jodie passed away on Monday. I worked with Jodie for 20 years at Napa, when you work with someone that long you get to know them pretty well, no doubt he was a great guy! We had many good laughs together and shared a few cold ones once in awhile! Steve Lawson was one of his best buddies who also worked for Napa. Steve passed away in 2008 and I know how bad Jodie felt. No doubt the two of them are having a cold one together once again! He will be truly missed... My sincere sympathy to your family. Sue Gillette, Machesney Park, IL



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**Sue Gillette** - September 16, 2015 at 02:54 PM

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“ Rest in Peace Jodie.

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“ I have a memory of my last phone conversation with Jodie which was the summer of 2014 when I told him of our troubles with a custody battle for our granddaughter. He was understanding and was definitely on our side on the issue. I also remember him when he was very young and carefree and laughed easily. He had a wonderful grandmother who spent so much time with my niece and nephew. He worked hard at his job. He has found the peace that eluded him in a life that was often difficult for him and his family. Kelly Noble Aanrud Amherst Junction, WI

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**kelly aanrud** - September 16, 2015 at 08:41 AM