



Marvin West

November 28, 1951 - November 9, 2023

Marvin James West, 71, of Rockford died November 9, 2023. Born November 28, 1951 in Dekalb; son of James and Marilyn (Allen) West. Marv attended Kirkland schools. United in marriage to Cecelia Folgate on October 21, 1971. He retired from CamCar Fastenal where he worked as a Heat Treater. Marv was a unique individual, capable of spinning tall tales; or in the words of his son, "The most unique bullshitter they've ever known." His humor and storytelling abilities were legendary. He never did anything halfway, and loved challenging the status quo at every turn. If you told Marv he couldn't do something, he'd find a way to do it; and do it better than ever before. He was interested in animal husbandry, breeding and used his creativity, intelligence and work ethic to develop beautifully colored and well tempered birds he bred. He was passionate about animal care and breeding throughout the course of his life. Marv enjoyed fishing and hunting with his son, buddies and his great-grand children in his free time. He was a very loving husband and loved his children and his many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. His presence is greatly missed by his family and circle of friends. Survived by wife; Celia; children, Jerry (Mary) West, April West; several grandchildren, several great-grandchildren; sisters, Teresa West, Agnes (Harold) Allen; numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, circle of friends; and his beloved dog and best friend, Sassy. Celebration of Marv's life will be held at a later date. Share a memory or condolence at www.graceFH.com. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in his memory to the family.

Cemetery Details

Rock River Crematory

4301 N. Main Street
Rockford, IL 61103

Tribute Wall

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“ I and my family were neighbors of Marvin and Cecelia west when they lived in Kingston Illinois. Marvin was a unique person with a wonderful wife and family. They were great neighbors God Bless the family. Earl Fairley

Earl Fairley - January 04 at 08:47 PM

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“ My thoughts and prayers for the West family during this time. Marv was a good guy and a unique individual. He traveled with our bowling group a couple of times throughout the years and enjoyed the guided tours that we took in the various states. He will be missed. Fly high and be free, Marv.

Val Reborn - November 17, 2023 at 01:40 PM