



## Richard "Bear" L. Barker

May 15, 1939 - October 29, 2012

Richard "Bear" L. Barker, 73 of Rockford died on Oct. 29, 2012 in SwedishAmerican Hospital. He was born on February 15, 1939 in Pekin, son of Charles and Fannie (Mulligan) Barker. United in marriage to Mary Weaver on March 15, 1999 in Harrison, Ark. Richard was an active Shriner, transporting over 300 children to the hospital for medical treatments. He was also a Shriner's Clown. He was enjoyed bowling and was active in several leagues. Survived by his wife, Mary; children, Deanna, Ricky, Crystal, Michelle Kristine, and John; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; siblings, Bill, George and Peggy, all of Pekin; and good friends Boomer, Gary and Tom. A Memorial Service will be on Sun., Nov. 4, at 1:00 p.m. at Tebala Shrine Temple, 7910 Newburg Road, Rockford. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the family. Grace Funeral & Cremation Services assisted the family, to share a memory or condolence please visit [www.graceFH.com](http://www.graceFH.com)

# Previous Events

## Service

NOV 4. 1:00 PM (CT)

Tebala Shrine Temple  
Rockford, IL 61108

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Scott Robinson lit a candle in memory of Richard "Bear" L. Barker*



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**Scott Robinson** - November 04, 2012 at 10:20 PM

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“ *Peggy Barker Ziegele lit a candle in memory of Richard "Bear" L. Barker*



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**Peggy Barker Ziegele** - November 03, 2012 at 01:52 PM

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“ *Mary, so sorry for your loss, my heart feels for you. Im sure you will miss him so much. Im sorry I cant get home I had back surgery on Monday. I will be thinking of you. Take care. Love Peggy Lynn*

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**Peggy Barker Ziegele** - November 03, 2012 at 01:50 PM