



## Alvin L. "Al" Travelstead

December 19, 1952 - August 5, 2022

Alvin Lee "Al" Travelstead, age 69 years, a resident of Marion, Illinois, passed away Friday evening, August 5, 2022, at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Marion. Al, a native of Johnson County, resided for 30 years in Colorado before retiring to Southern Illinois.

Al was born December 19, 1952 in Melrose Park, Illinois. He was the son of Alvin Eugene "Gene" Travelstead and Edna Cole (West) Travelstead.

On October 20, 1979, Al was united in marriage to Dorothy Mary Ward in Warrington England. She preceded him in death on February 24, 2013.

Al is survived by – a stepdaughter – Lesley M. (her husband, Steve) Ulm Warham of Stockport England; 3 sisters – Sue (her husband, Kenny) Goddard of Vienna, Donna Travelstead of Marion, and Barbara Clymore of Jonesboro; as well as a host of nieces, nephews cousins, other relatives and many dear friends.

In addition to his parents and wife, Al was preceded in death by – a brother & sister-in-law – Raymond and Sue Travelstead; a sister & brother-in-law – Linda R. and John Smith; and 2 brothers-in-law – Greg Prineas and G.A. Clymore.

Al was a 1970 graduate of Vienna High School. He earned an associate in applied science degree in accounting from Shawnee Community College at Ullin, Illinois.

On June 29, 1972, Al entered into military service in the U.S. Army. He served during the Vietnam era and was stationed both in the United States and Europe. Al attained the rank of staff sergeant and was honorably discharged December 1, 1987, with 15 ½ years of service. Following his military service, Al affiliated with the American Legion and was also a member of the D.A.V. (Disabled American Veterans).

Al was employed as an accountant and tax preparer. He also managed a laundry business for 12 years during his residency in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Al was an avid fan of both the Colorado Rockies and St. Louis Cardinals baseball teams.

He was a member of County Line Baptist Church in the Flatwoods community in Johnson County.

A funeral service honoring the life of Alvin Lee Travelstead will be conducted Wednesday morning, August 10, 2022, at 10 AM at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. Brother David Faulkner and Brother Kenny Burns will officiate.

Burial will be in the Gilead Cemetery, near Simpson. Military graveside honors will be accorded by the Beggs-Gurley VFW Post # 5222 and the Illinois National Guard Burial Honors Detail.

Visitation will be held Tuesday, August 9, 2022, from 5 PM – 8 PM at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna.

Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 7023, Merrifield, VA 22116-7023 or to the Alzheimer's Association, Greater Illinois Chapter, 805 West DeYoung Street, Suite B, Marion, IL 62959.

# Cemetery Details

## Gilead Cemetery

4385 Gilead Church Road  
Simpson, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 9.** 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bailey Funeral Home  
705 North First Street  
PO Box 695  
Vienna, IL 62995  
(618) 658-2311  
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## Service

**AUG 10.** 10:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Alvin L. "Al" Travelstead

January 30, 2023 at 12:19 AM



“ Steve&Kathy(Whiteside) Lay lit a candle in memory of Alvin L. "Al" Travelstead



Steve&Kathy(Whiteside) Lay - August 12, 2022 at 11:52 AM



“ Cousin Alvin will always be remembered as one that I always thought knew so much as a younger cousin growing up. When it came to games, he would always participate with us. Family memories are always treasured. Hugs and love to Sue, Donna, and Barb.

Janie T

Janie L Travelstead - August 10, 2022 at 08:57 PM



“ Voices of Praise, Terry, Shelia, and Kim purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Alvin L. "Al" Travelstead.



Voices of Praise, Terry, Shelia, and Kim - August 09, 2022 at 12:56 PM

CW

“ Clearon & Jane Ross Wright sent a virtual gift in memory of Alvin L. "Al" Travelstead



Clearon & Jane Ross Wright - August 07, 2022 at 11:13 PM

LG

“ Lora Goddard lit a candle in memory of Alvin L. "Al" Travelstead



Lora Goddard - August 07, 2022 at 09:22 PM

DR

“ Deb Newton & Sam Riley lit a candle in memory of Alvin L. "Al" Travelstead



Deb Newton & Sam Riley - August 07, 2022 at 08:01 PM

CF

“ So sorry for your loss. Thoughts and prayers are with the family at this sad time.



c Joan Faulkner - August 07, 2022 at 05:43 PM

JN

“ Judy Nutty lit a candle in memory of Alvin L. "Al" Travelstead



Judy Nutty - August 07, 2022 at 03:11 PM

BJ

“ Barbara Jeffress lit a candle in memory of Alvin L. "Al" Travelstead



Barbara Jeffress - August 06, 2022 at 08:07 PM

JS

“ John Slack lit a candle in memory of Alvin L. "Al" Travelstead



John Slack - August 06, 2022 at 07:25 PM

JS

*Sending love and prayers to Alvin's family. He was a fine, fine man.*

John Slack - August 06, 2022 at 07:26 PM

AB

*Go rest with Jesus sweet Cousin, you have earned his heavenly home*

Ann Reed Brown - August 08, 2022 at 02:03 AM