



## Denny R. Skelton

April 27, 1949 - August 19, 2024

Denny R. Skelton, age 75 years, a resident of Vienna, Illinois, passed away Monday morning, August 19, 2024, at 8:40 A.M. at the Hillview Senior Living and Rehabilitation Center in Vienna.

Denny was born April 27, 1949 at the family home located two miles south of Vienna. He was the son of James Hugh 'Red' Skelton & Opal (Bost) Skelton.

On October 5, 2000, Denny was united in marriage to Linda (Goines) Williams in Vienna. She preceded him in death on May 26, 2010.

Denny is survived by: his son – Darand (Christi) Williams of Vienna, who lovingly provided care for Denny through the years; grandchildren – Dustin (Candi) Penrod of Marion, Lacey Penrod of Cypress, Shawn (Baylee) Penrod of Ozark, Kailen Williams and Kristen Williams both of Vienna; great grandchildren – Brooklyn, Emma, Annie, Katie, Brayden, Cameron, Cooper, Kalisa, Adam, Ellie, Kayden, Kennedee, and Alexis; a sister – Norma Lane of Browning; a brother-in-law – Arthur Schultz of Palos Park; and a host of nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents and wife, Denny was preceded in death by: a daughter and son-in-law – Lisa and Roger Penrod; siblings – Ruth Caraker, Alice Schultz, Bobby Gene Thorne, Irene Canfield, and Jimmy Skelton; a

brother-in-law – Robert Lane; and a sister-in-law – Mildred Thorne.

Denny was a member of the Vienna High School graduating class of 1968. He had also earned multiple Associate Degrees from Shawnee Community College at Ullin, Illinois.

Denny was employed as a construction laborer, prior to his retirement. He was a member of the Laborer's International Union of North America, Local # 773. Denny was also a scrap metal collector. He was a member of Modern Woodmen of America and had attended the Whistlers and Whittlers Senior Citizens Center at West Vienna.

Denny was an avid St. Louis Cardinals baseball fan. He was also a staunch supporter of the S.I.U. Salukis basketball team. Denny loved music and had enjoyed attending concerts by his favorite musical groups "Plain Strange" and the "K & I Drifters."

He was of the Christian faith.

A graveside service honoring the life of Denny Skelton will be conducted Saturday afternoon, August 24, 2024, at 1:30 P.M. at the Belknap Masonic Cemetery. Pastor Billy Thomas will officiate.

Visitation will be held Saturday, August 24, 2024, from 12 Noon until 1 P.M. at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna.

Memorials may be made to the Belknap Masonic Cemetery, c/o Bailey Funeral Home, P.O. Box 695, Vienna, Illinois 62995.

# Cemetery Details

## Belknap Masonic Cemetery

Sunflower Lane  
Belknap, IL 62908

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **24**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Bailey Funeral Home  
705 North First Street  
PO Box 695  
Vienna, IL 62995  
(618) 658-2311  
baileyfhinc@hotmail.com  
<https://baileyfh.com>

## Graveside Service

AUG **24**. 1:30 PM (CT)

Belknap Masonic Cemetery  
Sunflower Lane  
Belknap, IL 62908

# Tribute Wall

JH

“ *Jerry Hawkins lit a candle in memory of Denny R. Skelton*



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**Jerry Hawkins** - September 07, 2024 at 05:05 PM

BR

“ *Bobby Rentfro lit a candle in memory of Denny R. Skelton*



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**Bobby Rentfro** - August 25, 2024 at 02:24 AM

JH

“ *As someone who went through grade school, high school and junior college with Denny, I too would like to attest to what a fine fella and friend he always was. He enjoyed many things and was well-liked by all who knew him in school. I'd like to say we were8 life-long friends (and we were), but went in different directions after school. We talked only occasionally, but he was always good ole "Denny". I have no doubt he is in the Best of Hands now - he witnessed to us all after his conversion in his late teens - and partly thanks to Denny, I too have the Hope of seeing him again. Thanks, Denny, for being my friend.*

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**Jack Hook** - August 24, 2024 at 08:58 PM

DB

“ *Darla Brown lit a candle in memory of Denny R. Skelton*



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**Darla Brown** - August 22, 2024 at 11:09 AM

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“ *Denny was a great guy! I grew up with Denny around a lot. We both attended the Vienna Church of Christ and he and my brother George hung out together quite a bit. My deepest condolences and prayers are with the family.*

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**Obie Farmer** - August 21, 2024 at 07:18 PM

BW

“ *Bill And Barb Warmack lit a candle in memory of Denny R. Skelton*



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**Bill and Barb Warmack** - August 21, 2024 at 02:50 PM

MH

“ *Martha Henshaw-Crane lit a candle in memory of Denny R. Skelton*



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**Martha Henshaw-Crane** - August 21, 2024 at 07:49 AM



“ *Jan Robinson lit a candle in memory of Denny R. Skelton*



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**Jan Robinson** - August 20, 2024 at 09:39 PM



“ *Deborah Jane Wright sent a virtual gift in memory of Denny R. Skelton*



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**Deborah Jane Wright** - August 20, 2024 at 01:47 PM

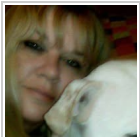


“ *Dave And Pat Prewitt lit a candle in memory of Denny R. Skelton*



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**Dave and Pat Prewitt** - August 20, 2024 at 09:40 AM



“ *Teresa Heffernan lit a candle in memory of Denny R. Skelton*



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**Teresa Heffernan** - August 19, 2024 at 10:13 PM

SL

“ *If you ran around downtown at Ned's Shed in the 60's and 70's...you new Denny. So sorry to hear of his passing.* ”



Steve&Kathy(Whiteside) Lay - August 19, 2024 at 09:13 PM

JS

“ *John Slack sent a virtual gift in memory of Denny R. Skelton* ”



John Slack - August 19, 2024 at 09:12 PM

WJ

“ *Our thoughts and prayers for the family.* ”



wayne and kathy jennings - August 19, 2024 at 08:56 PM

BJ

“ *Barbara Jeffress lit a candle in memory of Denny R. Skelton* ”



Barbara jeffress - August 19, 2024 at 07:51 PM

SH

“ R.I.P



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**Scott Hunsaker** - August 19, 2024 at 06:31 PM