



Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor

September 1, 1940 - November 21, 2025

To join the livestream broadcast of Connie's funeral service, please select the link below. The livestream will commence at 10:55 A.M. Tuesday, November 25, 2025. The service will be archived for 90 days following the funeral service for later viewing. Please note... if you are unable to join the service remotely or if service is sporadic due to inadequate internet connection, please know that the service broadcast will be uploaded following the service and will be available for viewing beginning Tuesday afternoon. We apologize for any inconvenience.

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Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor, age 85 years, a resident of rural Vienna, Illinois, passed away peacefully Friday morning, November 21, 2025, at 8:39 A.M. at his home.

Connie, as he was known to family and friends, was born September 1, 1940 in Johnson County Illinois. He was the son of J. Ralph Taylor and Doris (Murphy) Taylor.

On August 19, 1961, Connie was united in marriage to Janice M. Hayden at the Vienna First United Methodist Church. She survives.

In addition to his wife, Connie is survived by: daughters – Tyra Jan (Sondra Wise) Taylor of Carterville, Illinois and Jamie Renee Stiles of Fort Lauderdale, Florida; a sister – Joyce (Jim) Gray of Vienna, Illinois; 2 brothers – Kenneth Taylor of Vienna, Illinois and Jim (June) Taylor of Mesa, Arizona; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and many friends and neighbors.

In addition to his parents, Connie was preceded in death by: a son-in-law – Terry Stiles; a brother and sister-in-law – Carl & Bonnie Taylor; a sister and brother-in-law – Colleen & Arthur Lewis; and a sister-in-law – Norma Faye Taylor.

Connie was a 1958 graduate of Vienna High School. He was employed throughout his working career in the construction and carpentry trades. He worked along with Tom Anderson as well as Omer H. Taylor on countless construction projects. He assisted with the building phase of sections of Interstate 24, The Illinois Centre Mall in Marion, the construction of the Vienna Correctional Center, as well as additions and improvements to the Choate Mental Health Center in Anna. While employed by Taylor-Gray Construction, he assisted with a number of commercial and residential building projects throughout the region. For many years, Connie owned and maintained a number of residential properties in and around Vienna. Connie was a former member of the Carpenters Union.

Connie's passion was the land and farming. Following the family's return to Southern Illinois in 1966, after having resided in the Elgin area for employment, Connie began farming. While working full-time, he maintained a grain and livestock operation. Connie raised hogs but particularly enjoyed raising cattle. His COWS were his pride and joy. In 2007, the family was recognized by the Illinois Department of Agriculture with a Centennial Farm status. The 115 acre farm, was originally acquired in 1899 by Connie's great-

grandmother, Barbara A. Cummins, and has remained in the family's ownership continuously. The farm has hosted many gatherings and for over 20 years was the site for annual family reunions. Connie enjoyed riding his 4-wheeler across his farm property, often accompanied by his beloved canine companions, Sadie and Alley.

Connie was a member of the Johnson County Farm Bureau. He had also served on the New Simpson Hill School Board and, until ill health prevented him from carrying out his responsibilities, he was the sexton of the Taylor Cemetery. This responsibility has been assumed by his wife, Janice, and brother, Kenneth.

Connie was a faithful member and former trustee of Taylor United Methodist Church.

Funeral services will be conducted Tuesday morning, November 25, 2025, at 11 A.M. at Taylor Church, 5760 U.S. Highway 45 North, Vienna, Illinois. Pastor Bill Schell will officiate.

Interment will be in the Taylor Cemetery.

Visitation will be held Monday, November 24, 2025, from 5 P.M. until 8 P.M. at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. There will also be a time of visitation Tuesday morning, November 25, 2025, from 10 A.M. until the funeral hour at 11 A.M. at Taylor Church.

Memorials may be made to the Taylor Cemetery, and mailed in care of Bailey Funeral Home, P.O. Box 695, Vienna, Illinois 62995. Donation envelopes will be available at the funeral home and church.

Cemetery Details

Taylor Cemetery

5616 Highway 45 North
Vienna, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **24**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

Visitation

NOV **25**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Taylor Church
5760 U.S. Highway 45 North
Vienna, IL 62995

Service

NOV **25**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Taylor Church
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Vienna, IL 62995

Luncheon

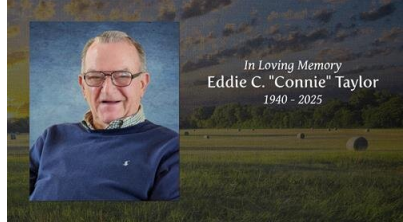
NOV **25**. 12:30 PM (CT)

Taylor Church
5760 U.S. Highway 45 North
Vienna, IL 62995

Tribute Wall



“ *Bailey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor*



Bailey Funeral Home - November 25, 2025 at 09:09 AM

DJ

“ It is with sincere sympathy that we extend our condolences for your loss. We pray that you will find healing, comfort and peace through our Lord Jesus Christ who loves you beyond measure!

Death is something we will all encounter and if we don't make a decision now before we die, about giving our lives to Him, we will face serious consequences for rejecting Him and His love for us, after our departure from this world. Jesus paid a tremendous price for us by taking the wrath of God on the cross, on our behalf, for our sins and rebellion against God. God, being our Creator, sent Jesus, His Son, to lay down His life for us, so we would never have to face God's eternal judgement once we leave this earth. Death is not the end for any of us. We will all live on, but where is determined by whether or not we surrender our lives to the Lordship of Jesus Christ who is the only way to God the Father and to our salvation from sin, death and destruction. Jesus is only a prayer away. A simple prayer like "Lord Jesus, I believe you are God's Son who He sent to pay the price for my mistakes, sins, and rebellion against God. Please forgive me for all I have done in rebelling against you, Lord.

I now give and surrender my life to you and ask that you be my Lord and Savior. Thank you for saving me from God's eternal judgement and allowing me to now be a part of you and your royal family forever. In your name, I pray. Amen. " God bless you and keep you always during this hour of your grief. I pray you will realize that you're never alone when you're in Christ Jesus. His Word guarantees us He will never leave or forsake us.

DJ - December 11, 2025 at 11:32 AM

DJ

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DJ - December 11, 2025 at 11:31 AM

SK

“ Dear Janice, Tyra, Sondra and Jamie

Stacy and I were saddened to hear about Connie's passing. We are celebrating a life well lived with you.

*Love,
Steve Moore and Stacy Kawamura*

Steve Moore and Stacy Kawamura - November 25, 2025 at 01:04 PM

MV

“ Janice.. We are so sorry to hear of your loss. We are praying God gives you and the family needed comfort for the days ahead.. Ivan always enjoyed seeing Connie, the 2 of them would always have a good time visiting with one another. They always liked to share their stories with each other.

Maria & Ivan Vaughn



Maria & Ivan Vaughn - November 24, 2025 at 05:00 PM

RT

“ Ron Thomas lit a candle in memory of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor



Ron Thomas - November 24, 2025 at 01:48 PM

CW

“ Clearon & Jane Ross Wright sent a virtual gift in memory of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor



Clearon & Jane Ross Wright - November 24, 2025 at 11:50 AM

CW

Janice and family sending our sympathy and prayers. Taylors have been neighbors for years and my sister Judy became part of the Taylor family. God bless you all.

Clearon and Jane Ross Wright

Clearon & Jane Ross Wright - November 24, 2025 at 11:55 AM

GW

“ Glendale Church Family Out Prayers Are W lit a candle in memory of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor



Glendale church family Out prayers are w - November 24, 2025 at 08:53 AM

JT

“ Janis Tapley lit a candle in memory of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor



Janis Tapley - November 24, 2025 at 12:26 AM

RW

“ I have a memory of Connie, but Janice, Tyra and Jamie will have to call me for me to share.



Robin Wetherell - November 23, 2025 at 06:41 PM

SF

“ Stiles Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor.



Stiles Family - November 23, 2025 at 05:06 PM

JM

“ Jeff And Linda Mathis lit a candle in memory of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor



Jeff and Linda Mathis - November 23, 2025 at 04:01 PM

CB

“ Our Heartfelt Condolences to Joyce and the family.
Neighbors, Carol and Toby Bryant



Carol Bryant - November 23, 2025 at 01:38 PM

AL

“ Alan planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor.

Alan - November 23, 2025 at 07:46 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor.



November 23, 2025 at 07:46 AM

DM

“ Debbie G Mitchell lit a candle in memory of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor



Debbie G Mitchell - November 22, 2025 at 11:31 PM

CL

“ Chlo and Larry planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor.

Chlo and Larry - November 22, 2025 at 09:54 PM

CL

“ Chlo and Larry purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor.



Chlo and Larry - November 22, 2025 at 09:54 PM

MR

“ Mark And Tracy J. Racey lit a candle in memory of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor



Mark and Tracy J. Racey - November 22, 2025 at 09:35 PM

SP

“ Sue Moore Patterson lit a candle in memory of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor



Sue Moore Patterson - November 22, 2025 at 09:07 PM

SH

“ Scott Hunsaker lit a candle in memory of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor



Scott Hunsaker - November 22, 2025 at 06:35 PM

KB

“ KAREN BRUMLEY lit a candle in memory of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor



KAREN BRUMLEY - November 22, 2025 at 05:20 PM

JH

“ Jim Hodges lit a candle in memory of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor



Jim Hodges - November 22, 2025 at 04:12 PM

GB

“ Glenn Brown lit a candle in memory of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor



Glenn Brown - November 22, 2025 at 04:03 PM

JM

“ James And Linda McNeely lit a candle in memory of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor



James and Linda McNeely - November 22, 2025 at 03:07 PM

NT

“ Dear Connie, you will be sadly missed. Your family, Aunt Coleen and Uncle Arthur were so fond of you. Rest In Peace.



Nan Hill Tanner - November 22, 2025 at 02:19 PM

LM

“ I sure will miss you Uncle Connie....you were one of the best! My love and sympathy goes to Aunt Janice and the girls.

Lisa Modglin - November 22, 2025 at 11:22 AM

LM

“ Lisa Modglin lit a candle in memory of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor



Lisa Modglin - November 22, 2025 at 11:20 AM

LM

I sure will miss you Uncle Connie. My love and sympathy goes to Aunt Janice and the girls.

Lisa Modglin - November 22, 2025 at 11:21 AM

TR

“ Teresa Richerson lit a candle in memory of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor



Teresa Richerson - November 22, 2025 at 10:14 AM

DM

*Sending Loving Thoughts and Support to Connie's Wife Janice and his daughters Jamie, Tyra/Sondra along with other family and friends .
Connie was a special man who will be missed by many.*

Debbie G Mitchell - November 22, 2025 at 08:47 PM

GH

“ *Gary & Janet Hacker lit a candle in memory of
Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor*



Gary & Janet Hacker - November 22, 2025 at 08:50 AM

BR

“ *Bobby Rentfro lit a candle in memory of Eddie
C. "Connie" Taylor*



Bobby Rentfro - November 22, 2025 at 04:25 AM

JW

“ *J P Watkins lit a candle in memory of Eddie
C. "Connie" Taylor*



J P Watkins - November 21, 2025 at 10:16 PM

RJ

“ Randy Jackson lit a candle in memory of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor



Randy Jackson - November 21, 2025 at 08:14 PM

JT

“ Jane Treece lit a candle in memory of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor



Jane Treece - November 21, 2025 at 04:33 PM

JS

“ John Slack lit a candle in memory of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor



John Slack - November 21, 2025 at 04:32 PM

FH

“ Frederick And Betty Heaton lit a candle in memory of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor



Frederick and Betty Heaton - November 21, 2025 at 04:15 PM

BB

“ *Bill&Nancy Simmons Belford lit a candle in memory of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor*



Bill&Nancy Simmons Belford - November 21, 2025 at 03:07 PM

DP

“ *Debbie Poe lit a candle in memory of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor*



Debbie Poe - November 21, 2025 at 02:18 PM

LT

“ *Lowell And Susie Trovillion lit a candle in memory of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor*



Lowell and Susie Trovillion - November 21, 2025 at 01:35 PM

BJ

“ *Barbara Jeffress lit a candle in memory of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor*



Barbara jeffress - November 21, 2025 at 01:03 PM

EH

“ *Ernie Henshaw lit a candle in memory of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor*



Ernie Henshaw - November 21, 2025 at 12:48 PM

LK

“ *Linda Koehler lit a candle in memory of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor*



Linda Koehler - November 21, 2025 at 12:13 PM

NB

“ *Nancy Breeden lit a candle in memory of Eddie C. "Connie" Taylor*



Nancy Breeden - November 21, 2025 at 12:10 PM