



Johnny Wayne Billingsley

February 11, 1941 - March 18, 2023

Johnny Wayne Billingsley, age 82 years, a resident of Goreville passed away Saturday morning, March 18, 2023, at 11:20 AM at Integrity Health Care in Marion.

Johnny Wayne was born February 11, 1941 in Johnson County Illinois. He was the son of Loyd Basil Billingsley and Mary Helen (Stewart) Billingsley.

On July 25, 1963, Johnny Wayne was united in marriage to Judy Ann Cagle at Grange Hall Freewill Baptist Church in Williamson County Illinois. She survives.

Johnny Wayne is also survived by: a daughter – Johnie Dene' Billingsley Edwards of Goreville; a granddaughter – Bailey Ann Edwards of St. Louis, Missouri; a brother – Gary Lynn Billingsley of Goreville; 3 sisters – Betty Peterman, Laura (Randy) Palmowski, and Mary Wright all of Goreville; a sister-in-law – Lawanda Billingsley of Goreville; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and many dear friends.

In addition to his parents, Johnny Wayne was preceded in death by – an infant brother – Timothy Billingsley; 2 brothers – Loyd Lavon Billingsley and Donald Lewis Billingsley; 2 sisters-in-law – Geraldine Billingsley and Michele Billingsley; 3 brothers-in-law – Dean Peterman, Ronnie Kelley, and Terry

Wright.

Johnny Wayne was a 1959 graduate of Goreville High School. Following his graduation, Johnny Wayne was employed by Diamond Wire & Cable in Sycamore, Illinois. Following his return to Southern Illinois, Johnny Wayne founded Billingsley Trucking Company in 1962. He owned and operated the trucking company for 27 years. In 1991, Johnny Wayne became the supervisor & coordinator of the truck driving program at Shawnee Community College. Additionally, he accepted a position at the Vienna Correctional Center in 1992 as a stationary fireman. He retired from the department of corrections in 2004.

Johnny Wayne was very civic and community minded. He was a member of Saline Masonic Lodge # 339 A.F. & A.M. and was a 32nd Degree Scottish Rite Mason. He also had served as a longtime Republican Goreville I precinct committeeman.

Johnny Wayne was a faithful Christian. He was a member and served as a deacon for over 25 years at Grange Hall Free Will Baptist Church and White Ash Free Will Baptist Church. More recently, Johnny Wayne and Judy were members of Busby Chapel Free Will Baptist Church.

Johnny Wayne was an avid Goreville Blackcats, SIU Salukis, and St. Louis Cardinals supporter.

Johnny Wayne cherished time spent with family and loved playing with his “granddogs” Minnie and Izzy.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday morning, March 22, 2023, at 11 AM at Busby Chapel Freewill Baptist Church, 7715 State Route 37 North, Goreville, Illinois. Pastor Darrin Clark will officiate.

Burial will be in the Busby Chapel Cemetery.

Honored to serve as pallbearers - Bradley Cagle, Eric Cagle, John Paul Billingsley, Eric Billingsley, Nickolas Billingsley, Austin Norris, and Senator Dale Fowler.

Visitation will be held Tuesday, March 21, 2023, from 5 PM – 8 PM at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. Additionally, there will be a time of visitation Wednesday morning, March 22, 2023, from 10 AM – 11 AM at Busby Chapel Church.

Masonic rites will be accorded Tuesday evening, March 21, 2023, at 8 PM at the funeral home.

Memorial donations may be made to the Busby Chapel Freewill Baptist Church (building fund), P.O. Box 354, Goreville, IL 62939.

Cemetery Details

Busby Chapel Cemetery

IL Route 37 South
Goreville, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 21. 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>

Masonic Rites

MAR 21. 8:00 PM (CT)

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Visitation

MAR 22. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Busby Chapel Freewill Baptist Church
7715 State Route 37 North
Goreville, IL

Service

MAR 22. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

DC

“ David & Sheri Cagle purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Johnny Wayne Billingsley.



David & Sheri Cagle - July 24, 2023 at 11:09 AM

DC

“ David & Sheri Cagle planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Johnny Wayne Billingsley.

David & Sheri Cagle - July 24, 2023 at 11:09 AM

SM

“ Many prayers are being prayed for your girls. I pray that one day they will find peace knowing that you are watching over them. Now, go dance with the angels.



Summer Mayhew - May 29, 2023 at 12:28 AM

TR

“ Teresa Richerson lit a candle in memory of Johnny Wayne Billingsley



Teresa Richerson - April 03, 2023 at 07:24 AM

AS

“ May God wrap his comforting arms around each of you during this time of sorrow. Y'all are in our thoughts and prayers. So sorry to hear.

Alleisha Schuetz-Dryden - March 23, 2023 at 04:32 PM

LM

“ Judy, you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. Johnny was a very special person who helped many people throughout his life. His commitment to his work and family was admirable!

Larry and Barb Mizell - March 22, 2023 at 04:35 PM

CT

“ The Travelsteads "Shorty" sends his blessings for the family. Many memories.



Chris Travelstead - March 21, 2023 at 08:56 PM

ML

“ Memories are all we have to treasure now and im thankful we have a bundle. Mom and I both send our love, prayers and Hugs to all of you. He was so loved. God Bless You All!

MARY LUKE - March 20, 2023 at 09:59 PM

ME

“ *Mark & Beth Elliott lit a candle in memory of Johnny Wayne Billingsley*



Mark & Beth Elliott - March 20, 2023 at 09:28 PM

DS

“ *Dale Schierbaum lit a candle in memory of Johnny Wayne Billingsley*



Dale Schierbaum - March 20, 2023 at 08:19 PM

JS

“ *John Slack sent a virtual gift in memory of Johnny Wayne Billingsley*



John Slack - March 20, 2023 at 07:22 PM

BB

“ *So sorry for your loss Judy. Brenda Binkley*



Brenda Binkley - March 20, 2023 at 06:06 PM

SF

“ Sorry for your loss, I know he and Joe were good friends.

Sharon Farris - March 20, 2023 at 05:33 PM

TH

“ Tamri Huckelberry lit a candle in memory of Johnny Wayne Billingsley



tamri huckelberry - March 20, 2023 at 04:17 PM

NW

“ Neal & Carol Watkins lit a candle in memory of Johnny Wayne Billingsley



Neal & Carol Watkins - March 20, 2023 at 03:45 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Johnny Wayne Billingsley.



March 20, 2023 at 11:30 AM

LM

“ *Larry And Carolyn McGill lit a candle in memory of Johnny Wayne Billingsley*



Larry and Carolyn McGill - March 20, 2023 at 11:26 AM



“ *Judy and Family, so sorry for your loss. Bob and Jeannie*



Jeannie McCall - March 20, 2023 at 08:51 AM

PS

“ *Paula Sullivan lit a candle in memory of Johnny Wayne Billingsley*



Paula Sullivan - March 20, 2023 at 12:52 AM

VB

“ *Know that Denzil and i have u in our prayers!
Vickie and Denzil Barton*



vickie barton - March 19, 2023 at 10:47 PM

IP

“ Prayers of comfort for all the family.
Ilene Gray Pierce

Ilene Gray Pierce - March 19, 2023 at 08:51 PM

FH

“ So very sorry Judy.



Frederick and Betty Heaton - March 19, 2023 at 06:31 PM

SJ

“ We are very sorry to hear of Johnny's passing. We are lifting you all
up in prayer.
Steve and Darla Jones

Steve and Darla Jones - March 19, 2023 at 06:11 PM