



Dennis D. Rabe

January 3, 1937 - June 29, 2024

Dennis D. Rabe, 87, of Bourbonnais, passed away Saturday, June 29, 2024, at Riverside Medical Center to be with his Lord and Savior.

He was born January 3, 1937, in Watseka, the son of William and Hulda (Windhorn) Rabe. On June 24, 1956, he married Nancy S. Cushman at Watseka Calvary Lutheran Church. He worked maintenance at CSL Behring, where he later retired. Dennis was a life-long member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Kankakee and enjoyed volunteering his time there. He was devoted to God, his family, and his church.

Dennis loved spending time with his family and going to all of his grandchildren and great-grandchildren's sporting events. He cherished playing 'Santa' every Christmas at family gatherings. In his earlier years he played in a softball league for Texize. Dennis loved hunting with his brothers and playing cards with his family. He liked visiting local restaurants, gardening, and watching Westerns. He also loved reading his bible, scriptures, and devotions morning and night.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 68 years, Nancy Rabe of Bourbonnais; children, Kimberly Manes of Bourbonnais, Jeffrey Rabe of Kankakee, Rhonda (Steven) Smith of Noblesville, IN, and Terri (Greg) Walls of Kankakee; siblings, Roger Rabe of Crescent City, Stuart (Neva) Rabe of Cissna Park,

and Sandra Rabe of Watseka; 10 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren; as well as many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He is preceded in death by his parents; siblings, Kenneth Rabe, Robert Rabe, Sharen Graham, and Barb Bohlmann; and grandson, Master Sergeant Dennis Richard Rabe.

Visitation will be held Monday, July 8, 2024, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Jensen Funeral Home, Kankakee. Visitation Tuesday, July 9, 2024, at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Kankakee will be from 9 a.m. until the funeral service at 10 a.m. with Pastor Karl Koppen officiating. Burial will immediately follow at St. Paul Lutheran Cemetery, Woodworth.

Memorials may be made to St. Paul Lutheran Church, Kankakee and Prairieview Lutheran Home, Danforth.

Cemetery Details

St. Paul Lutheran Cemetery

Woodworth , IL

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 8. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Jensen Funeral Home
3639 EAST State Route 17
Kankakee, IL 60901
jensenfuneralhomes@yahoo.com

Visitation

JUL 9. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

St Paul's Lutheran Church
348 E Merchant
Kankakee, IL 60901

Funeral Service

JUL 9. 10:00 AM (CT)

St Paul's Lutheran Church
348 E Merchant
Kankakee, IL 60901

Tribute Wall

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“ My sympathy to all of the family. Dennis was a great guy. I pray that God will give all of the strength and comfort needed during this time to all who mourn. My prayers are with you! Rick Segert

Rick Segert - July 09, 2024 at 01:11 PM

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“ Your IRCS Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dennis D. Rabe.

Your IRCS Family - July 08, 2024 at 08:44 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Dennis D. Rabe.



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“ With much love, The Deakynes & Pecks purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Dennis D. Rabe.



With much love, The Deakynes & Pecks - July 08, 2024 at 08:43 AM

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“ *When we first moved to the area we had the good fortune to end up across the street from the Rabes. They were so loving and welcoming to our new family. We felt looked after. They always had special treats for the kids on Halloween and Dennis would even snow blow our walks and drive when he knew I was out of town on a trip. What a wonderful Christian man. A roll model to be sure. We are blest to have know him. Greg, Sharla, Kyle & Kayla Ronchetto*

Greg Ronchetto - July 03, 2024 at 09:40 AM