



## Dennis "Roe" Wheeler

February 1, 1940 - December 23, 2025

Dennis "Roe" Wheeler Sr., 85, of Kankakee, passed away Tuesday, December 23, 2025, at Riverside Medical Center.

He was born February 1, 1940, in Kankakee the son of Donald and Anna (Janczak) Wheeler. On November 14, 1959, he married JoAnn Lowery in Kankakee. Roe was an avid Minnesota Vikings fan. He enjoyed bowling, gardening, woodworking, fishing, and golfing. Most of all he loved watching his grandchildren participate in bowling. He also loved the Drum and Bugle Corps.

Roe is survived by his wife, JoAnn Wheeler of Kankakee; five children, Marlene (Dan) Grubich of North Las Vegas, Dennis Jr. (Jody) Wheeler of Frazee, MN, Donald Wheeler of Delavan, WI, Tim Wheeler of Kankakee, and DeAnn (Gerald) Brinkmann of Kankakee; grandchildren, Tim (Whitney), Matt (Melanie), Jacob (Erika), Kim (Michael), Jillian, Chase, Cassidy, and Zach; great grandchildren, Chase, Audrey, Everleigh, Lorraine, Gabriel, and Izzy; sister, Dayle Seitz of Kankakee; sister-in-law and brother-in-law; Nancy Lowery of Kankakee and Sonny (Marie) Lowery of Oregon.

He is preceded in death by his parents; sister, Patricia Bland; and great grandson, Finley Roe.

Visitation will be held Friday, January 2, 2026, from 3pm until the memorial

service at 6pm at Jensen Funeral Home, Kankakee.

Memorials may be made to the wishes of the family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 2. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

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

## Memorial Service

JAN 2. 6:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ The Bland and Kenning Families purchased the Heavenly Grace Spray for the family of Dennis "Roe" Wheeler.



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**The Bland and Kenning Families** - December 29, 2025 at 08:38 PM

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“ The Bland and Kenning Families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dennis "Roe" Wheeler.

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“ Your Kit Masters Family purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Dennis "Roe" Wheeler.



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**Your Kit Masters Family** - December 29, 2025 at 01:49 PM

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