



## George E Winkler

April 30, 1933 - April 1, 2024

George E. Winkler, 90, of Berwyn, passed away on Monday, April 1, 2024, at Mac Neal Memorial Hospital in Berwyn.

George was born on May 30, 1933, the son of John and Anna (Zajac) Winkler. He was married to the love of his life, Susan Krzak. George was a decorated U.S. Navy veteran of the Korean War, a proud crewman of the USS Oriskany, and a recipient of the National Defense Service, United Nations Service, Korean Service, China Service, Navy Unit Citation and Good Conduct Medals.

George is survived by his children, Donna Crespo, Cheryl (Tom) Reining, Michael (Jan Arend) Winkler, Kathleen Asta and Joanne (Ken) Lukaszek; 8 grandchildren, Melissa (Brandon) Ervin, Amanda (Scott) O'Brien, Nicole (Mike) Rodriguez, Anthony Crespo, Sarah Asta, Samuel Asta, Kyle (Casey) Zalewski and Zachary Zalewski; sister, Elizabeth Borrelli; 2 step-grandchildren, Christine Diehl, Jennifer Hill; 6 great grandchildren, Isaac, Dominic, Christian, Ava Grace, Maximillian (Max) and Deklen; 6 step-great grandchildren, Tyler, Andrew, Haley, Dominic, Carolyn and Lexi. He was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, uncle, and good friend of many.

He is preceded in death by his parents; 2 brothers, Andrew Winkler, Edward Winkler; 2 sisters, Helen Jakobowski; Jean Meher; 2 sisters-in-law, Pat

Winkler, Dorothy Winkler; 3 brothers-in-law, Walter Jakobowski, Frank Borrelli, Victor Meher.

A funeral service will be held at noon on May 2, 2024, at Abraham Lincoln Veterans Cemetery, Elwood, IL. A celebration of life party will be held for George on Sunday, June 2, 2024, from 1-5 pm, at the Bartlett Fire Barn located at 218 S Main St, Bartlett, IL 60103.

# Cemetery Details

## Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 west Hoff Rd  
Elwood, IL 60421

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JUN 2. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Bartlett Fire Barn  
218 S. Main Street  
Bartlett , IL 60103

# Tribute Wall

HI

“ George was our neighbor my sister and I used to go to goodwill with him. R.I.P.



Harry Jackson III - January 26, 2025 at 10:43 PM

ME

“ I miss you Grandpa



Melissa Ervin - April 27, 2024 at 10:40 PM

JR

“ I was George's caregiver he was my best friend we did everything together we went shopping and his favorite to his food pantrys I will truly miss him I will always keep him in my prayers he was a one of a kind man may God let you rest in peace till we meet again my friend

Joanne R - April 26, 2024 at 03:27 PM

CB

I worked at the pantry in Cicero that George came to with Joanne. We all knew him and it was such a pleasure to see him. He was one of our brightest lights ! I miss you George. Rest in peace 🙏

Chris Bobek - June 07, 2024 at 02:28 PM

HJ

*My sister and I use to take george to run his errands and then he would invite us to goodwill R.I.P. friend until we see each other once again.*

**Harry Jackson** - April 23 at 05:53 PM

JA

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



**Janet Arend** - April 26, 2024 at 02:52 PM