



## Robert E. Pucek Jr

May 19, 1952 - December 20, 2025

Robert E. Pucek, Jr., age 73, passed away on December 20, 2025, in Manteno, Illinois.

Robert was born on May 19, 1952, in Kankakee, Illinois, to Robert E. Pucek, Sr. and Mary Pucek. He spent most of his life in the Kankakee area and was a resident of the Manteno Veterans Home for 18 years at the time of his passing.

Robert proudly served in the United States Navy, completing his service with honor. During his military career, he was awarded the National Defense Service Medal, reflecting his dedication to serving his country.

Following his military service, Robert worked as an auto mechanic, a trade that reflected his strong work ethic, practical skills, and his love of cars, especially the cars that he owned.

Bob formed many meaningful friendships with the staff and fellow residents at the Manteno Veterans Home. He was deeply appreciative of the care he received and often expressed his gratitude by treating nurses and staff to dinners that he provided, a gesture that reflected his generosity and kindness.

An avid pool player, Bob was a valued member of several local pool teams.

He was highly skilled, winning many championships over his lifetime, and was well respected within the local pool community for both his talent and sportsmanship.

Robert was preceded in death by his parents, Robert E. Pucek, Sr. and Mary Pucek, and by his siblings Alan Pucek, Audrey (Pucek) Regnier, and Kim Pucek.

He is survived by his siblings and in-laws: Theresa (Pucek) and Alan Karpel of Chicago, Illinois; Diana (Pucek) Benoit of Bourbonnais, Illinois; and Lora (Pucek) Lanning of Sheridan, Montana; as well as his many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held January 2, 2026 from 3:00pm - 6:00pm in The Veterans Hall located at The Manteno Veterans Home, 1 Veterans Drive, Manteno, IL 60650.

Please enter through the Volunteer Entrance.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

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

Manteno Veteran's Home  
One Veteran's Drive  
Manteno, IL 60950

# Tribute Wall

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“ bob and i were good friends when we were younger we played pool,drove around the square every weekend ,,just hung out ,,great friends,,he used to hang out with us at cookouts and we played cards,,,with my mom and my wife donna,,,we played bradley euchre,,for years,,i miss those good ole days,,im glad to have had such a friend,,,rip ole friend,,,,,,jeff statler

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**jeffrey statler** - December 26, 2025 at 02:02 AM

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“ I remember Bob from high school. He was always kind to people. Rest in Peace. My condolences to the family.



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**Debra K. Lambert** - December 24, 2025 at 12:10 PM