



## Donald D Waterman

February 24, 1934 - January 3, 2014

Donald D. Waterman, 79, of Beecher, passed away Friday, January 3, 2014. Visitation will be from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, January 9 at Hack Funeral Home in Beecher. Funeral Services will be held on Friday, January 10 at 10 am at St. John United Church of Christ, Beecher. Pastor Susan Lock will officiate. Burial will be at St. John UCC Cemetery. Memorials may be directed to St. John United Church of Christ. Donald was born February 24, 1934 in Beecher, the son of Harry and Alma (Schrage) Waterman. He graduated from Beecher High School and honorably served his country in the U.S. Army. He married the former Marilyn Unruh on July 20, 1957, in Beecher. Donald was retired from manufacturing and was a lifelong farmer at heart. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Marilyn; 6 children, Joy Walker, of Grant Park, Gay Gorniak, of Valparaiso, IN, Tom (Peggy) Waterman, Valrico, FL, Jim Waterman, Beecher, Dan Waterman, Beecher and Sue (Jim) Wentz of Lowell, IN; 11 grandchildren, Tim (Michele) Walker, Jeni (Jeff) Mendrala, Jason Walker, Karli Walker, Bryan (Jennifer) Walker, John, Lauren and Mark Waterman, Ashley (Dave) Griffiths, Ben and Sarah Wentz; 3 great-grandchildren, Olivia and Lillian Walker, Nathan Mendrala; one sister, Harriet Batterman, of Romeoville; one brother-in-law, Franklin (Patricia) Unruh of Beecher; and many loved nephews and nieces. Donald was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, Frank Waterman, one sister, Marge Stadt, and his father and mother-in-law, Vern and Sylvia Unruh. Donald was a kind and devoted husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. He loved spending time with all of his kids, grandchildren and especially great-grandchildren. He loved the outdoors and enjoyed spending time cutting grass, gardening and tinkering in his workshop. He was an active member of St. John UCC, Beecher, served as a council member several times and maintained the church grounds and cemetery for over 40 years. Online condolences may be left for the family at [HackFuneralHome.com](http://HackFuneralHome.com).

# Tribute Wall

WG

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the entire Waterman family at this difficult time. Don was a wonderful kind caring human being. He will be missed.*

Wendie Krudup Garlich - October 02, 2019 at 07:00 PM

LN

“ *SPATHIPHYLLUM was sent by Femiak/Nuzzo Family. Deepest sympathy, Femiak/Nuzzo Family*

Lauren Nuzzo - October 02, 2019 at 07:00 PM

MW

“ *Marilyn,*

*I was saddened to hear the news on the passing of Donald. My sincerest condolences to you and all of the family. May you find happiness and peace with all of the memories of his great life. Godspeed to you!*

Mike Wiegeler - October 02, 2019 at 07:00 PM

JF

“ *Marilyn and family, I am so sorry for your loss, Don was a great father-in-law, mentor and friend. He always was genuinely interested in what people had to say and what they did, even a pie in the sky kid like I was. I always knew I could count on him and was always amazed at his thoughtfulness and patience especially with the fact he was always working at Stauffer, the church, helping one of his kids (including me) or at home. He was a man that could be looked up to and admired for his principles, his family values and his godliness. He truly loved his family even those that pushed him to his limits at times and loved all of us unconditionally. Men like him do not come along very often and he was definitely one of a kind. I loved him and will miss him greatly as I know all of you will, again, so sorry for your loss.*

Jeff Fugate - October 02, 2019 at 07:00 PM