



Sami Atalla Wassef

October 10, 1945 - May 17, 2021

Sami Atalla Wassef, 75, of Danville, Illinois died on May 17, 2021 at Carle Memorial Hospital. There will be a service, at St. George Coptic Orthodox Church at 4601 W. Pauling Rd., Monee, IL 60449 on Thursday May 20th at noon with burial to follow at Skyline Cemetery.

Sami was born on October 10, 1945 in his hometown of Alexandria, Egypt. He received two bachelor's degrees in geology and chemistry from the University of Alexandria. He immigrated to the United States and lived in New York City where he received master's degree in both bio and organic chemistry; his true passion. Sami married the woman who would become the love of his life, Mona on November 25, 1975. They were happily married for over 45 years. Sami worked at the VA hospital for 25 years and during that time was a published author in several scientific journals. Sami would go on to obtain a Medical Health Administration (MHA) degree from the college of St. Francis.

His greatest passions were for God, his church and their community, his family, and of course his love of fishing. For those that knew him, his extended group of friends were his family as he loved them as if they were his own. He was a faithful member of St. Mina's and Pope Kyrillos Coptic Orthodox Church in Champaign, Illinois since its inception.

He is preceded in death by his mother; Maria Solomon, and his father; Atalla

Wassef, his three brothers, and two sisters.

He is survived by his loving wife; Mona Wassef, his brother; Milad Wassef and his family, his son and his wife; Andrew and Libby Wassef, his daughter and her husband; Miranda and Jack Bolous, and his grandchildren; Nicholas and Wesley Sami Wassef.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that a donation be made to Saint Mina's and Pope Kyrillos Coptic Orthodox Church PO Box 755 Savoy, IL 61874 via check or by PayPal at <http://www.stminachampaign.org/donate.html>

Previous Events

Service

MAY 20. 12:00 PM (CT)

St. George Coptic Orthodox Church
4601 W. Pauling Rd
Monee, IL 60449

Graveside

MAY 20 (CT)

Skyline Memorial Park
24800 S Governors Hwy
Monee, IL, IL 60449

Tribute Wall

JF

“ Mark and I just learned of beloved Sami Wassef's death today, 10/04/2021. My heart is filled with tears. I loved Sami and Mona so very much. Thankful that we met them when we would attend the Coptic Church in Champaign with our God given son, Emad Helmy. I am so sorry for your loss, your tears, and your sadness. Sami was such a blessing to our hearts. I felt as though I had 'family' with whom I referred to as 'Uncle Sami, and Aunt Mona'... I miss you. I am thankful for God crossing our paths and for knowing such a beautiful, gentle, kind man in life, along with his wife Mona. I love you.



Jane Fairchild - October 04, 2021 at 05:57 PM

MW

Thank you Sami always enjoy seeing ,talking and catching on your news .

mona wassef - October 24, 2021 at 12:25 PM

RP

“ Ron and Pam Ponto purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Sami Atalla Wassef.



Ron and Pam Ponto - May 19, 2021 at 12:54 PM



“ *Our Warmest Condolences purchased the Divine Light for the family of Sami Atalla Wassef.*



Our Warmest Condolences - May 19, 2021 at 12:30 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sami Atalla Wassef.*



May 18, 2021 at 06:48 PM