



Dean Matzker

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Dean J. Matzker, 80, of Vandalia, IL, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, July 16, 2025 at SBL Fayette County Hospital.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:00 AM, Saturday, July 19, 2025 at Mother of Dolors Catholic Church, Vandalia with Rev. Fr. Seth Brown officiating. Interment will follow in Fairlawn Cemetery, Vandalia. Visitation will be held prior to the service from 8:30-10:30 AM, Saturday, July 19, 2025 at Hohlt & File Funeral Home, Vandalia. In lieu of flowers and gifts, memorials may be made to Caring & Sharing, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, or to an organization of the donor's choice. Online condolences can be expressed at www.hohltandfilefh.com.

Dean Joseph Matzker was born on March 19, 1945 in Vandalia, IL, the son of Anton Joseph and Mildred Serena (Gudehus) Matzker. He married Virginia Kay "Genny" Adermann on July 06, 1984. Together, they had just recently celebrated 41 years of marriage.

Dean was a genuine, modest, and compassionate person. His lifelong dedication and passion for farming were evident in everything he did. Dean had a deep love for working, attending farm and car shows, classic Ford Mustangs, NASCAR collectibles, and hunting. He generously volunteered his time to Caring & Sharing for 44 years, where he also served as treasurer. Dean was a devout member of Mother of Dolors Catholic Church, the Knights of Columbus, and a former board member of the Fayette County Farm Bureau. He cherished every moment spent with his family and friends.

Mr. Matzker is survived by his wife, Genny Matzker of Vandalia; son, Darren Matzker with Shannon of Lake St. Louis; son, Todd Matzker of Brownstown; step-daughter, Jodie Bernhardt and husband John of Chicago; brother, Bill Matzker of O'Fallon; sisters, Cathy Diveley, Rita King and husband Rick, and Marie Washburn and husband Keith, all of Springfield; grandchildren, Zakkary with Becky, Nora, and Bailey; great-grandson, Gabriel; extended family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; son, Ryan Matzker; and brother, Leon Matzker.






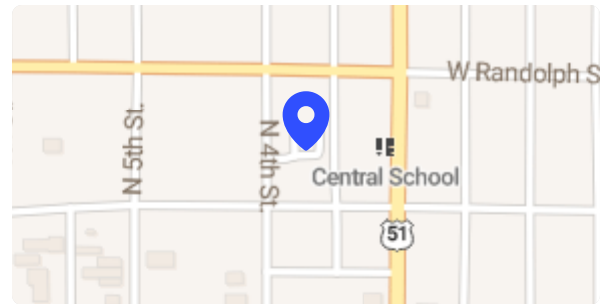
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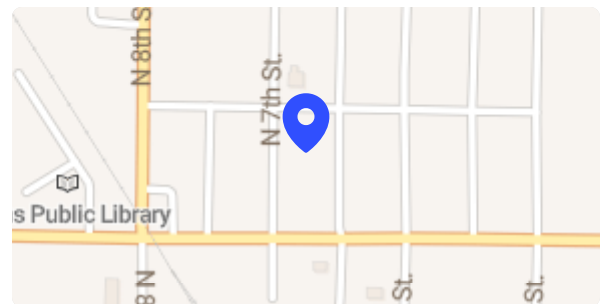
Visitation

-  **Saturday**, July 19, 2025
-  8:30 AM - 10:30 AM CT
-  **Hohlt & File Funeral Home, Ltd.**
204 N 4th Street, Vandalia IL 62471




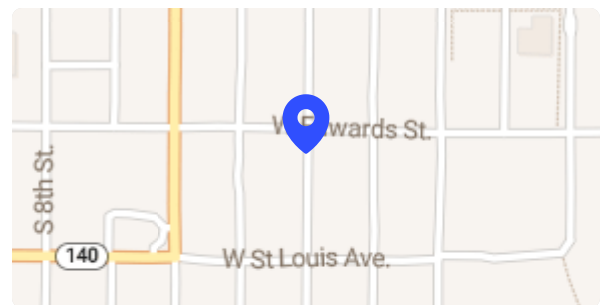
Funeral Mass

-  **Saturday**, July 19, 2025
-  11:00 AM CT
-  **Mother of Dolors Catholic Church**
322 N 7th Street, Vandalia IL 62471



Cemetery Details

-  **Fairlawn Cemetery**
South 6th St, Vandalia IL 62471





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Cheryl Oerywig posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

August 19 at 12:13 PM



Pam Marty posted:

Im so sorry Ginny. Its hard to lose a spouse. Thinking of you!

August 13 at 2:32 PM



Cliff Hale posted:

Genny, Marie and family, I am so very sorry for the loss of your husband and brother. I knew Dean, through Caring and Sharing. He was a great person! I hope your memories will see you through these times! Please remember, what the Caterpillar calls the End, the Master calls a Butterfly! Love! Cliff 😊
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August 5 at 10:14 PM



Sharon Boatman posted:

Genny, Todd and family. We are so sorry for your loss. Keeping you in our prayers for peace and comfort at this difficult time. Van and Sharon

July 19 at 7:02 AM



Anonymous sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Matzker family.



July 18 at 4:09 PM



Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Dean.



July 18 at 4:09 PM



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Anonymous planted a grove of 3 Memorial Trees in honor of Dean.

July 17 at 1:33 PM



Will, Nick, Meghan, Jennie & Kendall sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Matzker family.

July 17 at 9:20 AM



Will, Nick, Meghan, Jennie & Kendall planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Dean.

July 17 at 9:20 AM



Anonymous sent a Medium Dish Garden to the Matzker family.

July 17 at 7:06 AM



Nick posted:

We are sorry for your family's loss. We are thinking of you all through this time. Love from Wentzville - Jennie, Geoff, Will, Meghan, Nick, Chance, Kendall

July 17 at 4:34 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Dean by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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