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Rodney L. French (74) of Chatham, IL formally from Decatur passed away February 24th at Memorial Medical Center, Springfield, IL.

Rod was born July 2, 1944 in Newton, IL, son of Calvin & Clella French. He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Gary French.

Rod leaves his wife, Linda – Chatham, IL; children: Laura Bauman, Ellwood City, PA; Troy (Minna) French, Myrtle Beach, SC; Christy (Chris) Dunn, Athens, AL; Cory (Stacey) Chamberlain, Chatham, IL; Grandchildren: Tyler (Christine) Bauman, Pittsburgh, PA; Shelby French, Glasgow, Scotland; Caden, Caleb & Carter Chamberlain

(the Heroes) Chatham, IL; Great-Grandchildren: Charley & Riley French, Glasgow, Scotland; Emmett & Indiana Bauman, Pittsburgh, PA. Several very special friends – Jerry, Tommy, Teddy, Dave & JR.

Rod was retired from SMW, Local 218. He spent nearly 45 yrs working for King Lar running commercial HVAC work, including a few years with Brinkoetter & Henson Robison. He loved his job, working with the guys & running work. In addition, he was known by his family & friends as the “project guy” – no matter who needed help, he was

there for them. Rod had built several homes, a few workshops & garages. He truly enjoyed helping others.

There will be a visitation only for close friends & immediate family on Wednesday, Feb

27, 2019 from 2 to 4 pm. Graceland-Fairlawn will be in charge of visitation arrangements and cremation services.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Shriners Hospital for Children, or St Judes



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Cancer Research.

Condolences may be left to Rodney's family at www.gracelandfairlawn.com



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SW

Sue A Henander Williams posted:

Words are not available to express what I am feeling after learning of Rod's passing. Just saw a FB post and checked it out. OMG Goodness. Had known Rod since about 1961. Hadn't seen Rod since Paulette left him. Such a shock. Sue A Henander Williams

March 22 at 5:41 PM

SS

Stephen Speagle Jr posted:

Best wishes to the family. From Stephen, Rie, & Emma

March 3 at 11:46 AM

LW

Larry & Jean Wadkins posted:

Sorry to hear about Rodney's passing. He was a great guy and a joy to have as a friend. We will miss him.

March 1 at 3:20 AM

SS

Sue Speagle posted:

So sorry to hear of your loss. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all the family and friends. One of our fondest memories is when Troy and Steve graduated and the kids turned their car keys (or somebody's keys) over to Rodney. Sue and Stephen Speagle

February 27 at 4:49 AM

PW

Pam Wooden posted:

We are so sorry to hear of Rod's passing. Love and prayers to his family. Love, Aunt Macky, Greg and Pam

February 26 at 4:07 PM

AW

Aunt Mack, Greg And Pam Wooden posted:

We were so sorry to hear of Rod's passing. Love and prayers to his family. Love, Aunt Macky, Greg and Pam

February 26 at 4:03 PM



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KA

Karen posted:

Please accept my sincere condolences for the loss of your loved one. I hope words in John 6:40 will bring comfort during this difficult time.

February 26 at 2:27 PM

MJ

Mike Jesse posted:

So many good memories, Rodney will be missed by many.

February 26 at 9:36 AM

WR

Wendell Dean Rose posted:

Linda and Family Please know that Darlene and I are praying that God will comfort, strengthen and encourage you all through your loss of Husband, Father Grandfather, and Friend. God Bless Dean and Darlene Rose

February 26 at 7:43 AM

JF

Jerry Whitehead And Family. posted:

Sorry to hear about Rodney. Know now that he is at peace.

February 26 at 6:10 AM

BB

Britt Brown posted:

Linda, Rodney was a great guy and thanks to you, his quality of life was much better when you came into his life and for all that you have done for him in these last years by taking care of him and making him as comfortable as possible. My deepest condolences on his passing. He is smiling down from heaven, looking at you and knowing how lucky he was. Britt Brown

February 26 at 4:06 AM

BH

Barbara And Howard Horton posted:

Linda, my friend of the heart, prayers for peace and courage for you in the days ahead. Rely on the good memories. They'll help so much. Love you.

February 25 at 4:14 PM



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TF

Teresa Fletcher posted:

Ms. Linda, you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Keep those memories close and remember to smile from the inside/out. Love and hugs, The Lil mntwoman.

February 25 at 3:17 PM

KF

Kelly Chick And Family posted:

Heaven received another angel. Our prayers are with the entire family during this difficult time. May God provide for your every need.

February 25 at 1:58 PM

KF

Kelly Chick And Family posted:

Our prayers are with the entire family during this difficult time. May God provide for your every need.

February 25 at 1:38 PM

CW

Cindy Wickline posted:

When someone we love becomes a memory, That memory becomes priceless. May your memories of Rod be full of laughter & joy... Keeping all of you in my prayers Cindy Wickline

February 25 at 11:29 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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