



# Gerald W. Hunk

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**D**ecatur-Gerald W. "Jerry" Hunk, 74, passed away Wednesday, November 20, 2013 in his home with his family by his side.

Jerry was born June 19, 1939 in Trowbridge, IL, the son of Raymond L. and Leona M. (Kroll) Hunk. He married Kay A. Wiedenkiller on December 19, 1959 at St. Patrick's Church in Decatur. They had 54 loving years together.

Jerry was a lifetime member of Police Benevolent and Protective Association Unit 39, a 20-year member of the Illinois Police Association, past member of the Illinois Chiefs of Police and a previous President of Police Pension Fund. He served 30 years as President/Treasurer of Decatur Policemen's Credit Union and 13 months as Decatur Acting Police Chief before retiring as Deputy Police Chief with 22 years of service.

Jerry enjoyed traveling in the RV, camping at Lake Shelbyville, fishing and being outdoors.

Surviving are his wife Kay, daughter Peggy J. (James) Meyer of Decatur, son Steven R. (Christine Tricamo) Hunk of St. Peters, MO, daughter Shelley R. (Scott) Parks of Warrensburg, seven grandchildren- Ryan Meyer, Jennifer (Christopher) Sharp, Clayton Parks, Kelsey Hunk, Casey Hunk, Audrey Parks and Lexie Hunk, two great-grandchildren- Violet Sharp and Liam Davis, brother L. James (Shirley) Hunk of Decatur and sister Ramona M. Zeurcher of Decatur.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

A memorial mass will take place at St. Patrick's Catholic Church on Monday, November 25, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. in Decatur with Father Burnette, celebrant.

Memorials may be made to the Homeward Bound Pet Shelter.

The family of Gerald Hunk is being served by Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home, 2091 N. Oakland Avenue, Decatur, IL. View the online obituary and send condolences to the family at [www.gracelandfairlawn.com](http://www.gracelandfairlawn.com).



## Tribute Wall

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CS

**Caolyn Snydersharp** posted:

I was looking for someone else and Jerry name came up. I was wondering if this is the family that lived next door in Decatur on Division Street. I did see James name and Roman name too. My name is Carolyn Snyder Sharp. casnana1 @ yahoo.com

March 4 at 1:30 PM

DJ

**Dave Johnson** posted:

Our sympathy and prayers go to Kay and the family. Jerry was an excellent police officer, great leader and fine person. I enjoyed working with Jerry on 3rd shift as one of his sergeants. Many great memories of a fantastic man.

December 1 at 6:38 PM

CA

**Carolyn Arndt** posted:

So sorry to hear of your loss. I remember Jerry being such a good friend to Ed (Combs) and our family when they were both on the police force together. Ed and I both had a lot of respect for Jerry. Carolyn Arndt, Ted Combs, Erika Combs Webb

November 26 at 6:48 PM

MD

**Michele Durnil** posted:

Deepest sympathy for your loss Peggy. I know how it hurts. It will get better. Kay deepest sympathy goes to you. Mom always spoke highly of you and enjoyed your cards. Take care of yourselves and know he's with you in you heart. Michele Durnil, Chino Valley, AZ

November 26 at 5:40 AM

MB

**Mark Barthelemy** posted:

I extend my deepest sympathies to Gerry's family. I always admired Gerry for being a conscientious and dedicated police officer and he taught me so very much about the job and investigation when I worked under him. He was a good man. I only wish I had known he was ill so that I could have spent some time with him before he passed. I intended to go to the Memorial Service but I was called into a meeting here at work that was not scheduled and which I had to attend. Regardless, I have been and will continue to pray for the repose of his soul in heaven. Mark Barthelemy

November 25 at 6:39 AM



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**Freddie Clark** posted:

I'm so sorry about the lost of a really good man. I serve with Hunk on the police department in the early 70th...again so sorry sincerely... Freddie Clatk

November 25 at 5:31 AM



**Brad Collins** posted:

My deepest sympathy to Kay and the rest of Jerry's family. I was shocked to hear of Jerry's passing yesterday. I worked with and around Gerry for several years. One of the best Detectives I ever worked with. I'm thankful for the visit we had a bit over a year ago in Shelbyville. God's Blessings be with all of you. Brad Collins

November 21 at 3:42 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

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