



Andrew "Andy" Young

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Andrew Robert Young, 88, of Decatur passed away on February 20, 2024. He was born December 25, 1935, in Akron, OH, to Scottish immigrants George and Sally Young.

Andy grew up in Akron. He married the love of his life, Esther Johnson, in 1954 after meeting at the YMCA. Andy started working for Firestone as a mail boy. Firestone sent him to school to become a computer programmer. Esther and Andy started their family in Ohio where their first four children were born. In 1966, Andy was transferred to the Decatur Firestone plant. The family moved to Decatur in July and the last child was born just a few days later. Andy played in the Firestone bowling and golf leagues. He retired early from Firestone in 1998 after 44 years with the company. In their retirement years, Esther and Andy enjoyed traveling on both domestic and foreign trips. Andy was a member of Golden K Kiwanis and served as treasurer for several years.

Andy enjoyed his children and grandchildren. He and two sons were part of the Indian Guides, a father-son development program through the YMCA. Andy was present at numerous family activities, including attending sporting events, concerts, and show choir events. One of his favorite times was decorating and celebrating the holidays with the family. Summer vacations were often spent going back to Ohio to visit family. Andy often celebrated his Scottish roots with a “wee dram” of Scotch whisky.

Andy is survived by his wife of almost 70 years, Esther Young; sons, Dan (Barb) Young, Tom (Cheryl) Young, Jim (Tina) Young and Mark Young; daughter, Karen (Ed) Woare; grandchildren, Brandy (Ed) Piotrowski, Rachel Young, Dr. Teresa Young (Dr. Richard Laurent), Amy (Brian) Fitzgerald, Alyssa (Tyler) Broom, August Young, Taylor Young, Nick Young, Gabbi Young, Jennifer Woare (Anthony Mickle) and Christine Woare; sister, Mary Jo Mountain and her family; great-grandchildren, Matthew, Kane, Ella, Haddie, and two on the way; step-grandchildren, Frank (Megan) Byers and Barrett Byers (Lucy); step-great grandchildren Chloe and Channing; numerous nieces and nephews; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law .



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Andy was preceded in death by his parents, his aunt Mary McDowall, his brother, Bill Young, and step-granddaughter, Keisha Young Rowe.

A visitation will be held on Saturday February 24, 2024, at Graceland Fairlawn Funeral Home from 11am to 1pm. A funeral service will follow at 1pm. With entombment rites to follow at Graceland Cemetery.

Condolences can be left at www.gracelandfairlawn.com To send flowers or a memorial gift to the family of Andrew "Andy" Young please visit our Sympathy Store.

A video of the service will be posted soon. To see the service click the Photo/Video tab above




Events


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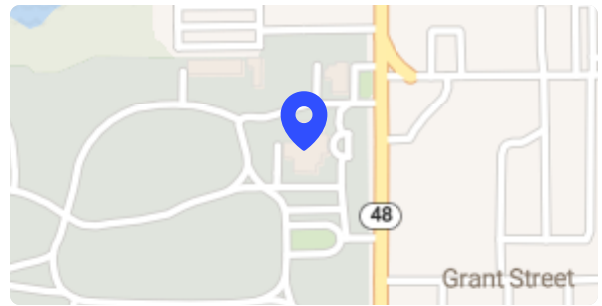
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Visitation


 **Saturday**, February 24, 2024

 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM CT


 **Graceland Fairlawn Funeral Home**
2091 N. Oakland Avenue, Decatur IL 62526

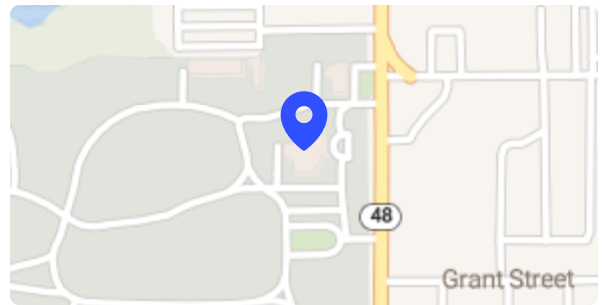


Funeral Service


 **Saturday**, February 24, 2024


 1:00 PM CT

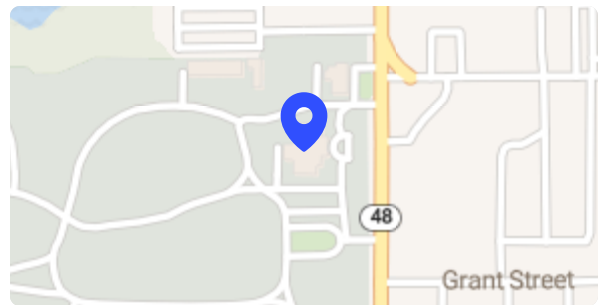
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Burial

 **Saturday**, February 24, 2024

 **Graceland Cemetery**
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Tribute Wall

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Graceland Fairlawn shared a **Video**.



February 24 at 8:51 AM

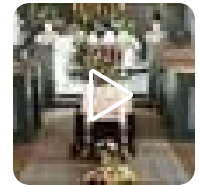


Steve Tichenor February 23 at 9:51 AM

What a great video tribute...it really made tears come to my eyes. God Bless you all it this time of sorrow. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.



Graceland Fairlawn shared a **Webcast Video**.



February 24 at 8:51 AM



Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Andrew.



January 1 at 9:22 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Young family.



February 23 at 12:46 PM



Todd, Caroline, And Elizabeth planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Andrew.



February 23 at 12:46 PM



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Anonymous sent a Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet to the Young family.



February 23 at 11:48 AM



Dave, Carol, Martha, Ray, And Mary Jo planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Andrew.



February 23 at 11:48 AM



Carol Condon lit a candle in honor of Andrew.

Dear members of the Young family, sending deepest sympathy on the loss of Andy. I will be keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers. Carol Trolia Condon.



February 23 at 9:27 AM



Carol Young sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Young family.



February 23 at 7:27 AM



Our Condolences, Marten Insurance Inc sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Young family.



February 23 at 5:15 AM



John Sticklen lit a candle in honor of Andrew.

Sorry for your loss.



February 23 at 5:04 AM



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Anonymous sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Young family.

February 22 at 6:26 AM



Anonymous sent a Country Basket Blooms to the Young family.

February 22 at 4:03 AM





Media

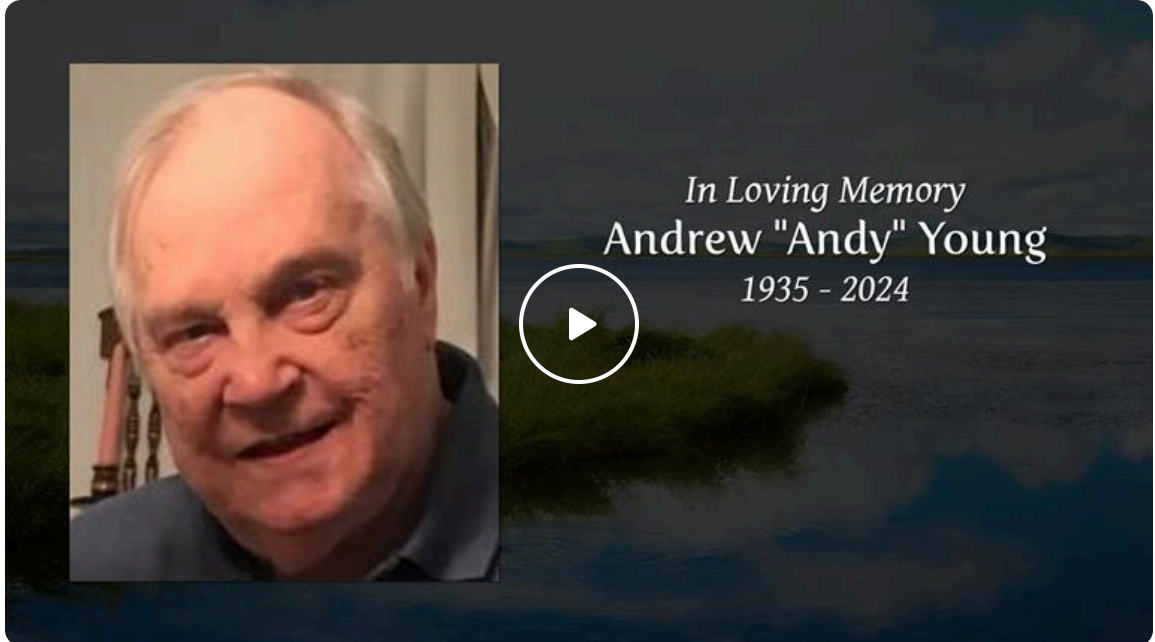
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Memories only last if you share them

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



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