



Dave Staff

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David “Dave” Kenton Staff, 63, of Decatur, IL, got to meet Jesus on Friday, November 15, 2024, after a brief bout with an aggressive cancer.

He was born on February 21, 1961, in Danville, IL, to Lawrence “Larry” Marche Staff and Katherine “Kathy” Hulda Harting Staff. He worked at Ameren Illinois as a draftsman prior to his retirement, and attended worship at Northwest Christian Church.

Dave loved the Lord, his family, and his friends. He enjoyed traveling, meeting new people, and visiting old friends. Hiking, camping, watching baseball, and spending time with family were also among his most beloved activities, and at one time he had also enjoyed scuba diving.

He was involved with the North American Nature Photography Association, The Decatur Camera Club, and he volunteered at the Macon County Conservation Center. He had also secured a special Ham Operator’s License, which came in handy at the Ham Radio Club.

In addition to his parents, Dave is preceded in death by his sister, Linda Marie Staff.

He leaves behind aunts and uncles, Roger (Barbara) Harting of Decatur and Maxine (Rev. Richard) Kiessling of Beaverton, OR; great aunts and a great uncle; many first, second, and third cousins from both sides of his family; as well as many cherished friends.

The family of Dave Staff will receive friends from 9:30 am to 11:30 am on Thursday, November 21, 2024, at Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home. Funeral service will begin at 11:30 am, with burial to follow immediately afterward in Graceland Cemetery. Services will be officiated by Steve Higgs.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made in Dave’s memory to Northwest Christian Church, DOVE Incorporated Decatur, or to a charity of your choice.

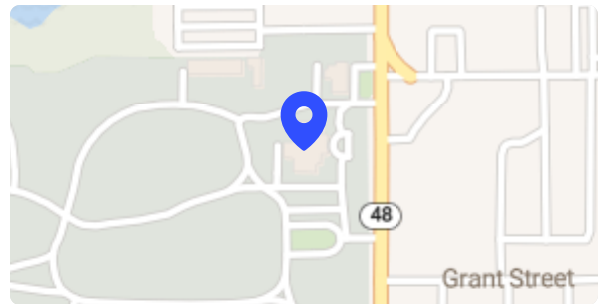


Visitation

 **Thursday**, November 21, 2024


 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM CT


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

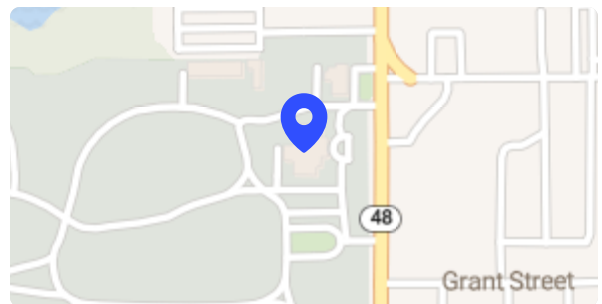


Funeral Service


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 11:30 AM CT

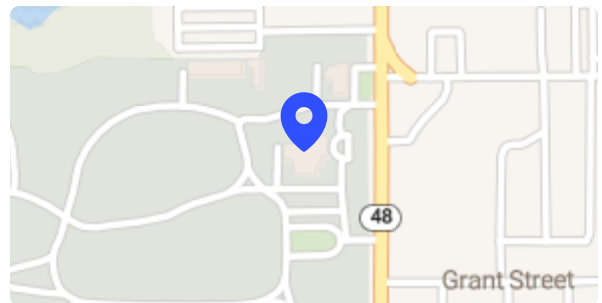
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Cemetery Details

 **Graceland Cemetery**
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 **(217) 615-0724**





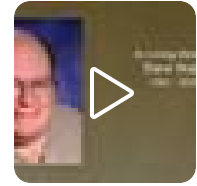
Tribute Wall

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Graceland Fairlawn shared a **Video**.



November 20 at 6:43 AM



Lisa Sparrow posted:

Dave was a loyal and very dear friend. From the day I arrived in town as a college student looking to connect with the friendly Morningside family, he drove the bunch of us to church and and for those 4years, and for 40 years since, we've kept in touch. My hubby and I are so glad to have enjoyed a great video call with Dave just last summer after one of his road (photography) trips. He had an incredibly generous heart, and tough spirit, persistence in doing the right thing and sticking by friends. He literally saved more than one life in his time. Love and hugs, dear friend!!Lisa (nee.Platt) & David Sparrow

February 12 at 2:49 PM



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



November 20 at 4:27 AM



Stanley Alan Mccoy shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

David and I played on the Garfield Tigers back in 1973. We reconnected in 2009 at a memorial service for our coach, Mr. Sloan. David had a very dry sense of humor and always made me laugh! I hope he's at peace now! I will miss him greatly!



November 19 at 9:59 PM



Curtis Cockburn posted:

Dave was a part of our online men's group through Southeast Christian. He made us smile often with his special humor. We learned not to greet him with the question "What's new?" As his response would be "New York, New Jersey, New Hampshire.....etc". He was an inspiration in his attitude to the end.

November 18 at 2:33 PM



Media

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Memories only last if you share them

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



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