



## Darnise A. Frey

December 7, 1954 - April 16, 2026

Darnise A. Frey, age 71 of Highland, IL, died Wednesday, April 16, 2025, at Barnes-Jewish Hospital (BJC) in Saint Louis, MO.

She was born on Tuesday, December 7, 1954, in Baltimore City, MD, the daughter of Nelson and Dorothy (nee Hediger) Kroner.

On Thursday, June 11, 1981, she married John Frey at EvUCC, Highland, IL, who survives.

She was a member of American Legion Auxiliary and Lifetime Member VFW Post #5694 Auxiliary.

Darnise enjoyed bingo and crafting. She loved eating seafood, especially crab.

Survivors include:

Husband - John Frey, Highland, IL

Son - John (Jennifer) Frey, Pontoon Beach, IL

Son - Jeremy (Ellie) Frey, Carbondale, IL

Son - Nathan Frey, Highland, IL

Grandchild - Blake (fiancée-Maegan Wayment) Baum

Grandchild - Tiffany Hamel

Grandchild - Christopher Frey  
Grandchild - Josh Frey  
Grandchild - Destiny Rewis  
Grandchild - Luella Frey  
Grandchild - Dominic Frey  
Grandchild - Briar Baum  
Sister - Darnell (Randy) Darr, Sarasota, FL  
Brother - Nelson Kroner, Jr., Highland, IL

She was preceded in death by:

Father - Nelson Kroner  
Mother - Dorothy Kroner (Hediger)  
Daughter - Charlene Johnson

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

A Celebration of Life will be at 4:00 PM on Saturday, June 27, 2026, at VFW Post # 5694 in Highland, IL, with Pastor Pye speaking at 5:00 PM.

Memorial contributions may be made to Wishes of Family (checks payable to John Frey).

# Upcoming Events

## Celebration of Life

JUN 27. 4:00 PM (CT)

Highland VFW Post #5694  
1900 VFW Rd  
Highland, IL 62249  
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