



Gary L. Beeler

January 21, 1942 - August 8, 2012

Gary L. Beeler, age 70 of Saint Jacob, IL, died Wednesday, August 08, 2012, at his home in Saint Jacob, IL.

He was born on Wednesday, January 21, 1942, in Highland, IL, the son of Hansel Cletus and Lorraine Meta (nee Schoeck) Beeler.

On Friday, December 20, 1974, he married Lois J. Maurer-Beeler (nee Schoeck) who survives.

He was a member of IL-MO Gas Engine & Tractor Club; Cushman Club of America; Studebaker Drivers Club; Antique Automobile Club of America; American Legion Post 665; Lakers Car Club; Good Guys Hot Rod Club; National Street Rod Association.

Gary was born at Highland; grew up at St. Jacob; graduated from St. Jacob High School in 1959. He attended Ranken Trade School and studied in the auto mechanic program. He worked for Jack and Eulox Klaus Shell Oil. He then served with the US Army with duty in Okinawa. Once he returned from duty with the US Army he worked for Genteman Chevy/Olds; later lived in Chicago and worked for RCA Service Corp in 1972. He returned to St. Jacob and retired in 2004. He worked for Madison Service Company in his retirement. Gary collected and restored old cars, tractors, engines and

scooters. Raced stock cars at Belleville and Valley Park from 1959 to 1962. He enjoyed car cruises and hot rod shows; and his dog "Mugsy", cat "Black Cat".

Survivors include:

Wife - Lois J. Maurer-Beeler nee Schoeck, Saint Jacob, IL

Step Daughter - Cynthia L. (James) Heggemeier, O Fallon, IL

Step Son - Gaylan C. Maurer, Bloomington, IN

Step Son - Kevin S. Maurer, Coulterville, IL

Sister - Carol M. (Rich) Lammert, New Hampshire,

Brother - Bradford L. Beeler, Carlyle, IL

Sister In-law - Norma J. Rinderer-Hotz, Highland, IL

Survived by: Brother and Sister

Step Grandchildren - Four

Step Great Grandchildren - Two.

He was preceded in death by:

Father - Hansel C. Beeler

Mother - Lorraine M. Beeler-Suess (nee Schoeck) (died 9/4/2008)

Step Father - Herbert M. Suess (died 3/17/2009).