



## Junior L. Linenfelser

June 1, 1941 - October 19, 2018

Junior L. Linenfelser, age 77 of Marine, IL, died Friday, October 19, 2018, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville, IL.

He was born June 01, 1941, in Alhambra, IL, the son of Elmer and Myrtle (nee Owens) Linenfelser.

On March 21, 1964, he married Mildred E. "Millie" Lueker at Hamel, IL, who survives in Marine, IL.

He was a member of United Church of Christ of Marine. He was also a member of Marine Lion's Club, Friends of Rusty Rodz Car Club, and Missouri Valley Model A Club, St. Louis Chapter.

Junior was born in Alhambra and attended Alhambra Grade School and Highland High School. He worked as a mechanic for Molitor Motors in Collinsville prior to 1964 when he started operating the Shell Gas Station in Marine. The same year, he and his wife purchased a Corn Dog Carnival Stand. In 1976, he purchased carnival rides and started Junior's Amusements, which he and his wife operated for 25 years. (He also purchased a new "Hampton" ride the same year.) His family always helped operate the rides and food stands. In the 1990's he purchased a car restoration business called "The Tire Kicker". The Tire Kicker has many restored antique cars. Junior was

involved in buying, selling and trading cars. He enjoyed going to swap meets, car shows and carnivals - he never met a stranger. He had traveled the U.S. to carnivals, car shows and car auctions. There was not a car that Junior couldn't fix. A real handyman, he also built his own carnival rides. In 2012, Junior and Millie started Millie's Diner in Marine. Since 2005, he and his family have provided rides and food stands during the fall at Relleke Pumpkin Patch in Pontoon Beach, IL.

Survivors include:

Wife - Mildred E. "Millie" Linenfelser, nee Lueker, Marine, IL

Daughter - Lisa A. (Paul) Neudecker, Marine, IL

Daughter - Sandy L. (James) Vosholler, Highland, IL

Son - Michial A. (Joan) Linenfelser, Troy, IL

Daughter - Kristin K. (Eric) Deichmann, Marine, IL

Grandchild - Amanda C. (Kyle) Ogden, Tuscola, IL

Grandchild - Kayla A. (Zachary) Buckley, Arnold, MO

Grandchild - Troy J. Vosholler, Highland, IL

Grandchild - Jacob M. Linenfelser, Troy, IL

Grandchild - Liah F. Neudecker, Marine, IL

Grandchild - Trent A. Vosholler, Highland, IL

Grandchild - Zachary J. Linenfelser, Troy, IL

Grandchild - Austin E. Deichmann, Marine, IL

Grandchild - Alexavier J. Deichmann, Marine, IL

Great Grandchild - Emerson J. Ogden, Tuscola, IL

Sister - Velma J. Schope, Cedar Rapids, IA

Half Sister - Coleen Vantrease, Alton, IL

Sister In-law - Joyce A. Linenfelser, Highland, IL

Special Friend - James Wildhaber, Marine, IL

Special Friend - Melinda Usher - Marine, IL

Special Friend - Deb Tracy - Marine, IL

He was preceded in death by :

Father - Elmer H. Linenfelser - Died 8/21/1963

Mother - Myrtle A. Linenfelser Collins, nee Owens - Died 8/29/1948

Step-Mother - Martha B. Linenfelser, nee Borst - Died 5/13/1999

Brother - Nelson H. Linenfelser - Died 10/17/2006

Brother - Gene E. Linenfelser - Died 1/04/2013

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

Visitation will be held from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Wednesday, October 24, 2018, at United Church of Christ of Marine in Marine, IL and from 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM on Thursday, October 25, 2018, at United Church of Christ of Marine in Marine, IL.

Funeral Service will be at 10:00 AM on Thursday, October 25, 2018, at United Church of Christ of Marine in Marine, IL, with Rev. Philip H. Kershner and Rev. Joe Karge officiating.

Interment will be at Marine Cemetery in Marine, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to United Church of Christ of Marine or American Diabetes Association (for prescription assistance).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **24.** 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

United Church of Christ - Marine  
111 North Center Street  
P.O. Box 396  
Marine, IL 62061  
(618) 887-4465

## Service

OCT **25.** 10:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

KW

“ *Sandy, I'm so sorry. My sympathies to you and your Family. Your Dad is a great man.*

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**Kathy Walker** - October 25, 2018 at 08:57 PM

MO

“ *Millie and Family, I'm sad to hear of Junior's passing. He was a man with many talents and will be missed by all. My Deepest Condolence. Mike Otto*

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**Michael Otto** - October 25, 2018 at 02:09 AM

SC

“ *Junior had such a joyful presence about him! You couldn't help but smile when he was around. We are blessed to have known him.*

*Prayers for Millie and the family, your neighbors,  
Scott and Sarah Calvin*

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**Scott Calvin** - October 24, 2018 at 03:21 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Junior L. Linenfelser.*



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October 24, 2018 at 10:44 AM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Junior L. Linenfelser.*



October 24, 2018 at 09:50 AM



“ *Rosalee S. purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Junior L. Linenfelser.*



**Rosalee S.** - October 23, 2018 at 02:54 PM



“ *Washington University MIS/Bariatric Surgery purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Junior L. Linenfelser.*



**Washington University MIS/Bariatric Surgery** - October 23, 2018 at 01:04 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Junior L. Linenfelser.*



October 23, 2018 at 12:06 PM

RW

“ *Roxann and Dave Williams purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Junior L. Linenfelser.*



Roxann and Dave Williams - October 23, 2018 at 10:45 AM

BT

“ *Bill, Addie, Liz, and Phil Tomber purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Junior L. Linenfelser.*



Bill, Addie, Liz, and Phil Tomber - October 22, 2018 at 10:23 PM

RB

“ *I have many memories of Junior. He taught me many things about life behind the scenes during the times I worked for him from ages of 16-22. We had many a laugh driving together in his tractor after working late nights with the carnival. He always had a story to tell and I loved talking with him throughout the years even after I went to work elsewhere. He was truly a great man and I am sure he will be missed by many. Many Condolences, Rich Beck*

richard n beck - October 22, 2018 at 08:44 PM

JB

*Millie and family, we were so sad to hear of Junior's passing. He was a great man and such a hard working man. You all have been like family and we always try to find you during an event you all would be at. May the Love of God be with you and have His arms around you at this time!! Love, The Davis Kids, Jane Davis Byrd, Michael Davis, Micki Davis Rau and Judi's family Jacie Devaisher Sackett.*

Jane Davis Byrd - October 25, 2018 at 08:02 PM



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October 22, 2018 at 07:23 PM



“ *Earlier this year I needed a wheel hub for an old trailer that my uncle had built for my grandfather. Junior recognized it as a hub from a Model A Ford and he walked over to a shelf in his garage and gave one to me. Thanks again Junior.*

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**Bill Weder** - October 22, 2018 at 05:49 PM