



Norman Wilson

November 18, 1958 - November 4, 2022

Norman Wilson, 63 of Herrick, Illinois moved in with Jesus on Friday, November 4, 2022 at 9:00PM at his residence with his loving wife by his side in Herrick. Funeral Services will be Tuesday, November 8, 2022 at 10:30AM in Herrick Christian Church, Herrick, Illinois with Pastor Paul Dickerson officiating. Visitation will be 5:00PM to 8:00PM on Monday, November 7, 2022 also in Herrick Christian Church. Firemen will conduct a Fireman's Memorial Service. Burial will be in Antioch Cemetery, Bowling Green Township, Fayette County, Illinois. Memorials may be made to the Herrick Fire Department and/or Herrick Christian Church.

Norman Wilson was born Tuesday, November 18, 1958 in Pana, Illinois the son of Earl and Beulah (maiden name Burrus) Wilson. He was raised in Herrick, Illinois attending Herrick Elementary School and Cowden-Herrick High School where he graduated with the Class of 1976. Norman Graduated Eastern Illinois University with a Bachelor's Degree in Education and began his teaching career at Tower Hill High School and retired from Pana High School in 2016. Norman Brent Wilson married Rebecca Irene Hilvety on October 9, 1981 in Herrick Christian Church, she survives. In addition to his teaching career, Norman was a co-owner of Wilson Fish Farm and operated Wilson Technology. Norman was a 30-year member of the Herrick Fire Department becoming a member in 1992 and Chief on September 11, 2006. Norman was also a Program Director and Climbing Instructor at Rhodes France Scout Reservation. Norman and Becky were Scoutmasters for Troop

98 for over 20 years, and Norman was an NRA pistol and shotgun Instructor. He was a member of Herrick Christian Church.

Norman Wilson is survived by his Wife: Becky Wilson of Herrick, Illinois; Daughter: Megan Miller (Cody) of Herrick, Illinois; Son: Brad Wilson (Shannon) of Carbondale, Illinois; Grandchildren: Grayce, Reid, Mayzee, Lanie, Emberlynn, Boone and Asher; and Brother: Nelvin Wilson (Angela) of Ramsey, Illinois. He is preceded in death by Parents and Step-Father: George Frailey.

Cemetery Details

Antioch Cemetery

3250 N 1560 E
Bowling Green Township, Fayette, IL, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 7. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

First Christian Church of Herrick
30 S East Street
Herrick, IL 62431

Funeral Service

NOV 8. 10:30 AM (CT)

First Christian Church of Herrick
30 S East Street
Herrick, IL 62431

Tribute Wall

BF

“ So sorry Norman is gone. Many folks will definitely feel his absence. He helped everyone. What a terrific friend & neighbor. We were raised together & we were friends forever. I’m sure he is praising GOD & loving those golden streets. Blessings to Becky & the family.

Bonnie Frederick - January 16, 2023 at 06:57 PM

DW

“ Norm was always friendly when he came to the library to work on the computers. We will miss him!

Donna Wagner - November 08, 2022 at 04:38 PM

DS

“ Norm was one of the sweetest people I've ever known. He was ready to help anyone with anything at any time. I'm so glad he's in heaven now, because he didn't deserve to suffer, but the world has truly lost one of the good guys. We miss him so much at PHS!

Deeanna Stalets - November 07, 2022 at 11:17 PM

WS

“ Becky,
I am so sorry to hear of Norm's passing. He was a true friend of Scouting. I appreciate his and your service on the Visitation Team.
Will Sudduth

Willard T. Sudduth - November 07, 2022 at 09:59 PM



“ *My dad preached at the Christian Church in Herrick . Norman was Jr High, I was 5-6 years old. many Sunday afternoons Norman would let me tag along with him. what great memories for a six year old kid. Norman had this cool chemistry set in the basement, hanging out at the fish farm and yes we blew some stuff up. Thank you Norman for the memories and taking the time to hang out with me....*

Todd Nickel - November 07, 2022 at 09:36 PM

KP

“ *Many memories of Norm while I worked at Pana High School. He also helped me with ideas when I was a cub scout leader. and he and his wife gave me a start of a red bud tree. Rest easy Norm!*



Keri Paschall - November 07, 2022 at 01:17 PM

SJ

“ *Norm was truly an inspiration to everyone he met. A passionate Christian man who walked the walk and talked the talk. He will be sorely missed!*

Stephen Jarboe - November 07, 2022 at 12:55 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Norman Wilson.*



November 07, 2022 at 10:24 AM

JM

“ to Normans family, I am so sorry for your loss
Joyce Ruot Mckittrick



Joyce Ruot Mckittrick - November 07, 2022 at 09:49 AM



“ 30 files added to the album Life Tributes



Kennedy & Sons Funeral Directors, P.C. - November 07, 2022 at 09:32 AM

JR

So sorry to hear of Norman's passing. Mom
(Verla Boaz) loved having him in class...plus enjoyed attending church
with my Grandparents (Bryan and Rainie Austin). Prayers for you all.

Jo Beth Risley - November 09, 2022 at 12:04 PM

BL

“ Brian & Michelle Lebon lit a candle in memory
of Norman Wilson



Brian & Michelle Lebon - November 07, 2022 at 09:10 AM

BS

“ *Butch And Beverly Smart lit a candle in memory of Norman Wilson*



Butch and Beverly Smart - November 07, 2022 at 08:45 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Norman Wilson.*



November 06, 2022 at 05:07 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Norman Wilson.*



November 06, 2022 at 04:05 PM

BF

“ *We were raised together a huge part of our lives. Swimming in his pool all summer long & playing while we were super young while our parents played cards. Always went fishing together. Had a lot of fun. I'll always remember you, Norman. Blessings for everyone.*



Bonnie Frederick - November 06, 2022 at 02:25 PM

LC

“ Always enjoyed visiting with Norman when he came into our shop. A smart, kind, funny guy! The community will miss him greatly. Prayers to his family, God Bless....



Larry & Candy Craig - November 06, 2022 at 12:20 PM

CS

“ My sincere condolences to the family and friends of Norm. A terrific man for sure

Carol Schramm - November 06, 2022 at 11:18 AM

CR

“ I have very fond memories of the entire Wilson family. When I was a young boy my Uncle and Aunt, Sam and Marcella Sarver, were close friends with Norman's mom and dad Earl and Beulah. They would take my brother and I to the fish farm and they let us fish in the production fish ponds. It was like fishing in a barrel literally. My first memory of Norman was when he took me out on one of their ponds in a row boat while they were seining fish. He was shooting bottle rockets into the water to "encourage" the fish to go to the net. I didn't even know you could shoot a bottle rocket under water. What fun I had never have forgotten that day. When I was a freshman at Tower Hill High School Norman began teaching science there. The last 5-10 minutes of the hour on Fridays was set aside for throwing paper wads. No other teacher in my life ever did that. He took our class on a field trip to the fish farm and set off an acetylene bomb he had made from a garbage bag. Probably the most incredible explosion I have ever witnessed. Before setting it off I remember vividly what he said. He said, " This is why I don't want you leaving the propane on in the science lab." He made his point very well. When the Rubik's cube came out everyone was getting them but no one could solve it. Guess who did? Of course, Norman did. He hand wrote out the solution on one side of a piece of notebook paper. It was so easy to follow. The most hilarious part is that he was selling them for a \$1. LOL. Finally, I am going to share a link to a short silent film "The Box Creature" that Norman made while we were in high school. He was so way ahead of his time no one was capable of putting something like this together back then. He posted it on You Tube per some of us requesting it some years back. Hope the link works. If not search for: The Box Creature <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gEZLVU3mVDU>

Great man, great teacher, so sad you had to go. The entire community will miss you. You made good and lasting impressions on all of us students and people around you. My sincere condolences to the family. Chad Ruot

Chad Ruot - November 06, 2022 at 09:58 AM

DJ

“ Norm was the best neighbor ever. He cleaned out our driveway when it snowed-Becky said he just liked playing with his ‘toys’, pulled me out of my own front yard when I got stuck in the snow-10 o’clock at night, loaned us tools any time we needed something, picked Stephen up when his car broke down, responded to multiple 911 calls from my parents. In short-Norman Wilson is irreplaceable. We can only hope to follow his wonderful example. We will miss him greatly.

Dawn Jarboe - November 06, 2022 at 09:26 AM

JD

“ he was my science and biology teacher at Tower Hill his classes were interesting

jerry Dowell - November 06, 2022 at 07:54 AM

PD

“ Mr Wilson is why I became a science teacher. My enjoyed his class and the field trip to the Finn farm. We had the first computers in our school because of him. He did DJ and video recorded my wedding. Prayers and condolences to the family.

Pam DeWerff - November 06, 2022 at 05:34 AM

AB

“ What an amazing teacher! He was so dedicated to improving the resources and technology available to our little school in Tower Hill. His classes were always engaging and fun. Truly one of the best, and I feel blessed to have known him. Rest in peace, Mr. Wilson



Amanda Powers Bush - November 05, 2022 at 10:28 PM

DH

“ *Debbie Herbord lit a candle in memory of Norman Wilson*



Debbie Herbord - November 05, 2022 at 09:03 PM



“ *Prayers for peace and strength.*



Bradley Scroggins - November 05, 2022 at 08:53 PM

DG

“ *This breaks my heart he was such a great man*



dusty glick - November 05, 2022 at 05:42 PM

SB

“ *Susie Barr sent a virtual gift in memory of Norman Wilson*



Susie Barr - November 05, 2022 at 04:35 PM

C1

“ *Cowden-Herrick Class of 1976 purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Norman Wilson.*



Cowden-Herrick Class of 1976 - November 05, 2022 at 04:25 PM

BC

“ *Sorry for your loss. Prayers goes out to the family. He has done so much for the community. He will be missed.*



Bob & Sue Chamberlain - November 05, 2022 at 04:14 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Norman Wilson.*



November 05, 2022 at 04:08 PM

GB

“ *Glen Beck lit a candle in memory of Norman Wilson*



Glen beck - November 05, 2022 at 04:00 PM

BB

“ *Branda Bantner lit a candle in memory of Norman Wilson*



Branda Bantner - November 05, 2022 at 03:41 PM