



Al Keilman

August 19, 2021

Alfred “Al” Keilman, age 73, of Aurora, passed away at home after a long battle with Alzheimer’s.

Al is survived by his wife, Mary (nee Cable). Mary courageously stepped into the role of caregiver and for years was dedicated to creating moments of joy for her sweet husband along the way. Al is also survived by his son Brent (Laura) and siblings Rosemary, Michael, and Mary Keilman, Pat Wirtz, and sisters-in-law; Betty, Faye, Charlette, and Vivian Keilman, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents; Alfred and Bertha, sisters; Virginia Case, Ruth Pointer, and brothers Harold, Ralph, James, Robert, and Thomas; and brother-in-law Wayne Pointer.

Al acquired a strong work ethic growing up on a dairy farm in St. John, Indiana. A longtime resident of Aurora, he worked for many years at Roney Oatman Dairy and eventually retired from the City of Aurora Streets Department in 2013. Al loved the outdoors and had a side business mowing lawns and trimming bushes for several years. When he wasn’t busy at work, Al explored the Caribbean, Mexico and Alaska while cruising with his wife. He was often found shooting hoops or kicking a soccer ball with the neighbor kids, helping with projects around the yard, or helping Mary clean the house. Al was a sports enthusiast. In earlier years he coached children’s baseball and basketball. For forty plus years he refereed youth basketball and was also an umpire in addition to being an avid bowler, basketball and softball player. He

was a fan of the Fighting Irish of Notre Dame, the Chicago Bears and Cubs. In earlier years, Al was an avid fisherman. Al served the community as a volunteer Marywood Fireman and EMT for many years until the department was closed. Al thoroughly enjoyed socializing at the Phoenix Club where he was a member for over 20 years. In years past he and Mary volunteered for different social functions and Al served as a board member. Mary is forever indebted to the countless friends at the Club who supported her and Al over the years engaging Al in conversation, Yahtzee, playing cards, and especially all the music and dancing.

Funeral Mass will be held Wednesday, August, 25, 2021 at 10:00am at Annunciation Church. Fr. Patrick Gillmeyer, OSB will officiate. Interment will be private.

Visitation will be held Tuesday, August 24, 2021 from 2:00pm until 8:00pm with a liturgical wake service at 4:00pm at THE DALEIDEN MORTUARY, 220 N. Lake St., Aurora, 630-631-5500. Visit our website at www.daleidenmortuary.com where you may leave condolences for Al's family.

In lieu of flowers please make a donation to the Alzheimer's Association.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **24**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Daleiden Mortuary
220 N. Lake Street
Aurora, IL 60506
(630) 631-5500
daleidenmortuary@gmail.com
<https://www.daleidenmortuary.com>

Wake Service

AUG **24**. 4:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Mass

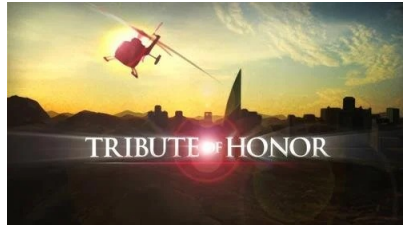
AUG **25**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Annunciation Church
1820 Church Road
Aurora, IL 60505

Tribute Wall



“ Daleiden Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Al Keilman



Daleiden Mortuary - August 23, 2021 at 01:00 PM



“ Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Al Keilman.



August 25, 2021 at 08:02 PM



“ Sympathy and prayers to Al's Family and the Keilman Family back in St. John days. May Al Rest In Peace.

Joe Gerlach - August 25, 2021 at 07:36 PM

JN

“ Mary is a good childhood friend and we have not lived close since then. Even though I did not know Al, I am thankful to have attended their wedding. I have the memory of seeing Al and Mary smile and banter together - And I remember lots of laughter between them! Knowing Mary, I have no doubt she was a good wife to Al. Mary, may the years of memories with Al sustain you through the difficulty of losing him once again.

A gift has been sent to the Alzheimer's Association in memory of Al and all who cared for him during a difficult time.

Warmly, Jenn (Gomolka) and Alan Nowicki

Jennifer Nowicki - August 25, 2021 at 06:09 PM



“ Love's Embrace Roses – Purple was purchased for the family of Al Keilman.



August 24, 2021 at 02:14 PM



“ Blue & White Sympathy Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Al Keilman.



August 24, 2021 at 10:31 AM

SP

“ Brent, I never knew anyone more willing to help someone, even before you asked him to. He will live on in our memories. You are a good son.

Love, Aunt Barb and Uncle Santo

Santo and Barb Procenti - August 23, 2021 at 09:06 PM



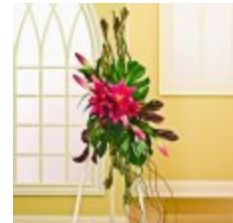
“ Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Al Keilman.



August 23, 2021 at 06:42 PM

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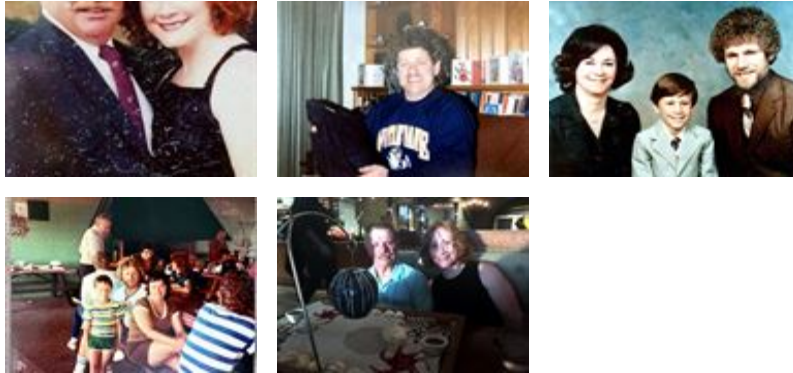
“ Wells Fargo Chicago exam team purchased the Eternal Paradise for the family of Al Keilman.



Wells Fargo Chicago exam team - August 23, 2021 at 02:25 PM



“ 49 files added to the album Life Tributes



Daleiden Mortuary - August 23, 2021 at 01:01 PM

BD

“ Worked with Al for many years at the City of Aurora Street Department. What a great guy he was. Bill Draudt

Bill Draudt - August 22, 2021 at 07:22 PM

MV

“ So sorry to hear this Mary. My condolence to you and family. May he R I P.

Maria Vargas - August 21, 2021 at 09:38 PM

ML

“ I am Sorry Brent to see this. You are in my prayers and God Bless Him.

Mike Larson - August 21, 2021 at 07:10 PM



“ *Multicolor Bright Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Al Keilman.*



August 21, 2021 at 06:58 PM



“ *Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White was purchased for the family of Al Keilman.*



August 21, 2021 at 03:44 PM



“ *Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White was purchased for the family of Al Keilman.*



August 21, 2021 at 02:56 PM



“ *I have known Al about 4 years He came to Wood Glen Senior Apts when we had musical events He was a great dancer and loved the Cubs
I am deeply saddened by the news
Mary I am praying for you
Love Ellen*

Ellen Grover - August 21, 2021 at 12:43 PM