



## Gerald Lloyd Ashford

August 19, 1954 - April 30, 2022

Gerald "Jerry" Lloyd Ashford Sr. passed away suddenly at home in Lehigh Acres on April 30, 2022 at the age of 67. Jerry is the son of Lloyd Ashford and Dorothy Sayers-Ashford both of Illinois and who preceded him in death. He attended Granite City Senior High School in Illinois. Gerald was a firefighter with the Godfrey Fire Department, Assistant Chief with Long Lake Fire Department and Captain with Melvin Price Support Center, He would eventually retire as a firefighter/paramedic. Gerald is survived by his wife Bridgett Thurman Ashford, son Gerald "Chip" Ashford from Illinois, who followed in his father's footsteps as a firefighter with St Charles Missouri Fire Department, a daughter Brittany Ashford-Tarver and son in law Willie Tarver, from Florida, six grandchildren Haley, Madison, Olivia, Gavin Ashford all of Illinois, Malaki and Willie from Florida. Sister Dixie Peavler and brother in law Lee Peavler from Missouri. Many nieces, nephews and other extended family. Gerald was also a Member of the Bethalto Jaycees in Bethalto Illinois. He volunteered his time playing the part of Santa for the Jaycees and family and friends. The Family is asking in lieu of flowers that donations be made to: The Back Stoppers @ [BackStoppers.org](https://www.BackStoppers.org).

Visitation and memorial services will be held Monday, May 16th at Long Lake Fire Department, Pontoon Beach, Illinois. Visitation will be held from 5pm-6pm, with Memorial services beginning at 6pm. Food, refreshments and fellowship to follow. For family and friends unable to attend, the memorial services will be streamed live.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Gerald Lloyd Ashford*

October 09, 2023 at 02:01 AM



“ *Gerald Lloyd Ashford*

January 28, 2023 at 12:09 PM



“ *We never would have felt ready to say good-bye to someone as special as Jerry, but this timing feels especially tough.*

*He was such a special, devoted and loving man. He had a great sense of humor and I always enjoyed giving him trouble.*

*I am honoring Jerry in my heart and wishing you comfort and strength for the days and weeks ahead.*

*Sending love, hugs and prayers to you all.*

*Pamela Savoie*

**Pamela Savoie** - May 16, 2022 at 06:51 PM



“ *Sending our love and prayers to Bridgett, Chip and Brittany, and their families during this time. Praying for God's peace and comfort for them all*

**Deb and Gary Helton** - May 09, 2022 at 03:59 PM