



## Robert L. Williams

August 16, 1941 - March 6, 2021

Robert L. Williams, 79, of Sebring, Florida, and formerly of Kell, passed away Saturday morning, March 6, 2021, in Tampa, Florida.

He was born August 16, 1941, in Kell, Illinois, the son of Robert Farrell and Ruby Pearl (Hawkins) Williams. On June 11, 1960, he married Roberta Mae Johnson, and she survives him in Sebring, Florida.

Bob bought and sold cars for many years, and started by working for Bill Akins Pontiac in Centralia. After a few years, he and his father, Farrell Williams, purchased the Conoco Service Station on Route 37 and Kell Road. Farrell sold gas, and Bob had a body shop, before adding in car sales. He then worked for Max Dye in Salem for a few years before building a new car sales lot on Whitaker Street in Salem. After a few more years, he sold this lot, and built a new car lot on Route 37 and Kell Road, where he bought and sold cars for 40 more years.

Bob and Roberta had a special life, full of love. In addition to his wife, Roberta, he is survived by two daughters, Brenda Morris and husband Bruce of Salem, and Cheryl Hester and husband Tom of Dix; two grandchildren, Brandy Karcher and husband Kurt of Dix, and Robert Morris and future bride Danielle, and her son Nolan of Salem; four great-grandchildren, Ella and Kaitlyn Karcher, and Aspen and Bristol Morris, for which he had a special love; two nephews, Russ Williams of Shererville, Indiana, and Ron Williams and wife Diane of Tucson, Arizona; and several great-nieces-and-nephews; Special cousin, Gary Williams and significant other Evelyn of Kell; and aunt Darlene

Williams, of Sebring, Florida.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and his brother, Charles William "Bill" Williams.

Funeral services for Mr. Williams will be held on Friday, March 19, 2021, at 11:00 a.m., at the Osborn Funeral Home in Dix, with Rev. Dallas Bundy officiating. Burial will follow at Zion Grove (County Line) Cemetery. Visitation will be held From 5 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 18, 2021, at the Funeral Home. In accordance with current guidelines, attendance is limited to 50 people at a time, within the building. Attendees are asked to wear masks and follow social distancing guidelines. Memorial gifts may be made to Zion Grove Cemetery, and will be accepted at the service, or by mail to the Osborn Funeral Home, P.O. Box 130, Dix, Illinois 62830. Online condolences may be made at [www.osbornfuneral.com](http://www.osbornfuneral.com), or on the Osborn Funeral Home Facebook page.

# Cemetery Details

## Zion Grove Cemetery

Kell, IL 62853

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 18. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Osborn Funeral Home  
322 North Main Street  
Dix, IL 62830  
(618) 266-7231  
office@osbornfuneral.com  
<https://www.osbornfuneral.com>

## Funeral Service

MAR 19. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Robert L. Williams.*



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March 17, 2021 at 04:56 PM



“ *GARY & EVELYN purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Robert L. Williams.*



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**GARY & EVELYN** - March 17, 2021 at 12:21 AM



“ *Kevin & Teresa Bock purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Robert L. Williams.*



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**Kevin & Teresa Bock** - March 15, 2021 at 03:10 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Robert L. Williams.*



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March 14, 2021 at 04:08 PM

LB

“ Bob was always a thoughtful, gracious man, a class act in so many ways. When we were kids, I remember him, along with his mom and dad, my Aunt Ruby and Uncle Farrell, coming to barbecues at our house in Centralia. These were great times together. Because my mother and father came from big families, we had lots and lots of cousins. But Bob always stands out as such a gentleman, even when he was teenager, hardly a common thing. He for sure did his part to make the world a better place. My prayers for you Roberta, Brenda, and Cheryl.  
....;. Lindell Bruce

Lindell Bruce - March 13, 2021 at 05:11 PM

RB

“ Our heartfelt condolences to Roberta, Brenda, Cheryl and the family. We will always remember all the kindheartedness given by Bob and his family to our Mother (his aunt) Orpha. Throughout the many years, they would check in on her and call her often. Orpha relied on getting her cars from Bob and she loved her last bright red Pontiac.

*He was a kind and generous man who we respected and admired.*

*All our prayers to the family,  
Roger and Fran Bruce*

Roger Bruce - March 12, 2021 at 04:53 PM

MC

“ Mike C lit a candle in memory of Robert L. Williams



Mike C - March 11, 2021 at 04:27 PM

NB

“ *Tom and Cheryl*

*So sorry for your loss prayers your way. Please give my condolences to your mom*

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**Netje Benjamin** - March 08, 2021 at 10:39 PM

 Bob  
Ratts

“ *I am so sorry for your loss Cheryl. He was one of the good ones and he will be missed by a lot of people.*



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**Bob Ratts** - March 07, 2021 at 04:30 PM