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**W**ilber Leonard Reed, Jr., 69, of Decatur, passed away Saturday, May 13, 2017, at Decatur Memorial Hospital, with his family by his side.

Leonard was born May 27, 1947, in Decatur, IL, to Wilber Leonard and Mildred Louise (Bush) Reed. He proudly served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He married Elsie G. Clifton August 18, 1972 in Bethany, IL. They later divorced. Leonard loved wood working, but most of all, spending time with his family.

He is survived by his two daughters, Desirae (Jim) Hardy of Waterloo, IL and Samantha (Ben Purdue) Reed of Rantoul, IL; his mother, Mildred Reed of Decatur; and one sister, Jackie (Denton) Larimore of Decatur.

He was preceded in death by his father.

Honoring Leonard Reed's wishes cremation services will be provided by the Moran & Goebel Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 2801 N. Monroe St. Decatur, IL. A celebration of Leonard's life will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, May 20, 2017, at Moran & Goebel Funeral Home. Memorials may be directed to Wounded Warrior Project PO Box 758517 Topeka, Kansas 66675-8517. Please view the online obituary, send condolences, and share memories at [www.moranandgoebel.com](http://www.moranandgoebel.com).



## Tribute Wall

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GG

**Gail Guymon** posted:

Although I can't be there in person today as you lay Leonard to rest, I am there in spirit. I never spent much time with him growing up as Jackie and I were closer in age and he was, well, a boy, so I didn't get to know him very well. I do have a very fond memory of him taking me for a motorcycle ride down what is now West Grove Road and playing chess with him a time or two. Several times when I was in Decatur visiting in the past ten or fifteen years, Leonard made a special trip out to his mom and dad's just so we could visit. I hope he enjoyed those conversations as much as I did. A few years ago he made my mother a beautiful microwave cart that she uses every day and is so thankful to have. It will stay in the family when my mother passes away. Leonard had a good heart and a generous spirit. We will all miss him. Gail (Bush) Guymon

May 20 at 6:05 AM

SB

**Sandy Bush** posted:

I will always have fond memories when we were kids of endless summer days running through the pasture pretending we were cowboys or an army fighting the enemy. He was a good man, and a good cousin. I will miss him. Sandy Bush

May 20 at 3:53 AM

DC

**Donita Clifton** posted:

Lit a candle in memory of Wilber Leonard Reed

May 15 at 6:56 PM

DC

**Donita Clifton** posted:

I'm very sorry for your loss! He was a loving, caring, funny man. He made us always feel welcome in their home. DesirÃ©e, Samantha, Sis Elsie and family our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time in need! I'm here if you need anything. We sending lots of love n hugs to all.

May 15 at 6:48 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

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