



Alvin F. Marsh

August 1, 1929 - March 20, 2026

Alvin F. Marsh, 96, of Jacksonville formerly of Bluffs passed away Friday, Mar. 20, 2026, at Springfield Memorial Hospital. He was born, Aug. 1, 1929, in Winchester, the son of Frank and Eileen Carlton Marsh. He married Carolyn Nienhiser, Nov. 28, 1955, and they later divorced. He married Beverly A. Dotzert Brodman, June 13, 2003.

Surviving is wife, Bev of Jacksonville; children Mary Ann (David) Dorsey and Steven Alvin (Jana) Marsh; step daughter, Andrea (Dave) Barbknecht; grandchildren, Allen (Shelby) Dorsey, Michael (Nikki) Dorsey, Shawn (Megan) Dorsey, Elizabeth (Austin) Bradshaw, Audra Marsh, Timothy (Vanna) Marsh, Chandler Marsh; step grandchildren, Bethany (Mike) Potthuff, Brynn (Mike) Rodriguez, Breanna (Joe) Herink, Carter (Stephanie) Wilkey, Hannah Wilkey, and Lizzie Pugh; great grandchildren, Liam, Owen, Andrew, Michael Jr., Auggie, Eve and Rosemary; step great grandchildren, Graham, Griffin, Rose, Anders, Ealin and Eloise; sister, Shirley Terrell; brother-in-law, Donald Terrell; nephews, Travis (Patty) Terrell and Randy (Scott) Terrell and niece, Stacy Terrell. He was preceded in death by stepson, Corey Wilkey.

Alvin was a proud retired US Navy Veteran serving for 30 years. He did 4 seasons with Hurricane Hunters and 2 years on USS Franklin D. Roosevelt. When someone would thank him for his service, his reply was always "Thank you. I enjoyed it, I saw the world." Within his military career, he won many

trophies for tennis, golfing and bowling. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Bluffs and the Bluffs American Legion. Alvin was known as the pumpkin man from all who visited the Sand Burr Pumpkin Farm.

A funeral service will be held 11:00 a.m. Monday, Apr. 13, 2026, at the St. John's Lutheran Church in Bluffs. A visitation will be held Monday, 10:00 a.m. until time of services at the church. Daws Family Funeral Home in Jacksonville is assisting with the arrangements. Memorials are suggested to St. John's Lutheran Church of Bluffs 112 W. Walker PO Box 233 Bluffs, IL 62621.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 13. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Johns Lutheran Church
Bluffs, IL 62621

Service

APR 13. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *If I could have had a big brother I would have picked Alvin Marsh. Thank-you Shirley for sharing.*

Sandi Hurrelbrink

Sandi Hurrelbrink - March 27 at 02:37 PM

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“ *Bev my heart goes out to you. You and Al helped Ron and I celebrate some very special times. He will be missed. Jaclyn Farmer*

Jaclyn Farmer - March 25 at 06:40 PM

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“ *Alvin was a delight to know and we always enjoyed him at the Carlton reunions with stories of his life and enjoying the times we laughed and shared memories! We will really miss him~~ Prayers and love to Bev and his family.*

Ed and Pat Frost - March 24 at 11:33 PM