



Max Leland Edlen

June 18, 1936 - October 15, 2021

Max L. Edlen, 85, of Bluffs passed away Friday, Oct. 15, 2021, at Illini Hospital in Pittsfield. He was born, June 18, 1936, in Bluffs, the son of Max and Margaret Brockhouse Edlen. He married Peggy J. Likes and with this union they had two sons, John and Steve. He later married Bonny J. Bangert, Oct. 16, 1989. She preceded him in death, Jul. 21, 2020.

Surviving is son, John (Penny) Edlen of Bluffs; stepdaughter, Becky Carter Naccarato of Winchester; daughter-in-law, Diana Edlen of Columbia, MO; 8 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by son, Steve Edlen and grandson, Joshua Edlen.

Max was a member of St John's Lutheran church and also attended the Bluffs Methodist Church and Baptist Church. He was a firm believer and loved the Lord. Max taught grade school in Chapin and was a teacher and football coach at Waverly High School. He was then employed as a construction superintendent for Freesen Inc. until retirement. Max was involved in numerous community committees and served as a board member. Two significant board member positions Max held were of the Illinois Port Authority appointed by Gov. Jim Edgar and MidAmerica Intermodal Port Authority appointed by Gov. George Ryan. He was a former mayor of Bluffs and a Scott County Commissioner.

A funeral service will be held 11:00 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 23, 2021, at the Daws Family Funeral Home in Bluffs with interment in Hillcrest Cemetery. A visitation will be held Saturday, 9:00 a.m. until time of services at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to Meredosia/Bluffs Rescue Squad or donor's choice. Condolences may be left online at www.dawsfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Hillcrest Cemetery

Bluffs, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **23**. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Daws Family Funeral Home - Bluffs
109 East Oak Street
Bluffs, IL 62694
(217) 754-3595
mackeydawsfuneralhome@yahoo.com

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mackey Daws Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Max Leland Edlen*



Daws Funeral Homes - October 21, 2021 at 12:22 PM



“ *Max Leland Edlen*

January 28, 2023 at 11:11 AM



“ *So sorry to hear of Max's passing, enjoyed visiting with him at Plackes and when he helped at VBS through the years. Our condolences to all the family at this time of loss.*

Susan (Placke) and Byron Hamman

Susan and Byron Hamman - October 23, 2021 at 08:10 AM

MY

“ I will never forget the day, Gary, John and Maxie took me for a cruise down the river so I could pick up rocks (mostly picked up by Gary). I got to ride next to Maxie and hear a lot of stories. The thing I didn't like was the jumping carp hitting the boat.

Maxie was a great friend to John & I and I wish I could have gotten down to see him.

God be with him and John.

Maryann Yeakel

Maryann Yeakel - October 22, 2021 at 01:08 PM

ST

“ Sherri Taylor lit a candle in memory of Max Leland Edlen



Sherri Taylor - October 20, 2021 at 05:35 PM

ST

“ Sorry for your loss, Max was and is a good man, I remember him sub teaching at Bluffs, I really enjoyed being in his class. Bless you all and hugs.

Sherri Taylor - October 20, 2021 at 05:33 PM

TE

“ So sorry for the family's loss!

Tom Evans - October 20, 2021 at 03:26 PM

BF

“ *Deb & I want to extend our deepest sympathies to Max’s family. Max was a loyal, hardworking employee at Freesen’s. He always put his best into his supervisory position over many projects, making sure he always did his best. He will be missed in the Bluffs community.*

Bob & Deb Freesen

Bob And Deb Freesen - October 19, 2021 at 07:49 PM

RF

“ *So sorry for your loss.*



Roger Graves and Family - October 19, 2021 at 07:44 PM

JR

Max was my teacher and football coach at Waverly High School. Liked Max a lot. Respected him as a coach. Lost a good man here. Sorry for your loss.

Jim Ross Class of 68 Waverly High School

James Ross - October 21, 2021 at 06:32 AM

TB

I had Max as one of our coaches at Triopia. I loved his sense of humor and the twinkle in his eye. Great memories over the years!

Todd burrus - October 21, 2021 at 08:04 PM