



## Mr. Dean Marlow Worthem of Hanover Park

September 21, 1952 - October 16, 2025

Dean Marlow Worthem 73, of Hanover Park, Illinois.

Beloved husband of Karen Ann Worthem, nee Becker; loving father of Robin Ann (Kenneth) Biggs, Chad (Jennifer) Worthem, and Angela (Daniel) Volpentesta; cherished grandfather of Olivia, Paige, Adriana, Timothy, Tyler, Dylan, Carson, Giovanni, Marco, and Vincent; half brother of James (Barbara) Worthem.

In Dean's passing, not only did he leave his memory of so many loved ones, but his passions and interests in so many areas will never be forgotten. He began perhaps the greatest step in his journey in the fall of 1969 when he met the love of his life, Karen and they married in 1972. For the next 57 years of their life, they would embark on a wonderful journey as she would support Dean in both his work life, family and leisure time activities. Dean had a long and wonderful career as a union tuckpointer, working on many buildings in the Chicago-land area. After retirement, he enjoyed passing the time away either at home or while on vacation with friends and family. A couple of his most memorable vacations with Karen include week-long cruises as well as taking a trip on the historic Route 66 roadway. Additionally, he enjoyed spending time in the peaceful northern woods of Wisconsin, where he would pass his time enjoying some coffee, a cinnamon roll (or two), and then getting ready for a (never) successful day of deer hunting.

When he was not traveling and staying at home, he still found enjoyment in the wonderful side of nature by sitting next to his fireplace that he built and maybe watching some of the birds and squirrels eat at his feeders. When he left his favorite chair by the fireplace for the night, he was most likely in his computer room either working on his computer or playing the guitar. The sounds made from the chords of his guitar were his way of communicating, as he so often did. He was also a registered ham radio operator and was known in the neighborhood as the “guy with the big tower in his yard”. Not only did he have all of these interests, but he had a tool for everything and could fix anything. Perhaps his greatest passion of both interest and repair ability was cuckoo clocks. His house was filled with a variety of all sizes and sounds, and like most tinkerers, if it made a sound or moved...he wanted to know more about it. Dean had an amazing ability to communicate with others through music, technology, or by just sharing his love of all of these interests. He could be quite chatty even though he was considered by many to be a quiet and reserved person.

The fortunate ones were those that were able to learn from him by either watching or assisting when he worked on something. Dean leaves behind a great legacy of friends and relatives who all looked to him for advice and assistance in so many areas. His life experiences were so full and rich, that he can never be replaced, but will always be remembered by us all.

Memorial visitation will be Sunday, October 26, 2025 from 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. at Morizzo Funeral Home, 2550 Hassell Road, Hoffman Estates, Illinois, 60169

The family has created this Life Tributes page to make it easy to share your memories, photos, and videos. For those of you that would have attended services and would like to express your condolences please click on the

"Share A Memory" link above and you can leave a message. If you wish to send a Sympathy Card, please feel free to send it to Morizzo Funeral Home, 2550 Hassell Road, Hoffman Estates, Illinois, 60169 c/o the Family; we will gladly forward it on to the family.

For further information please contact the Morizzo Funeral Directors at 847.752.6444. Arrangements entrusted to Morizzo Funeral Home and Cremation Services, at 2550 West Hassell Road, (Northeast corner at Barrington Road), Hoffman Estates, Illinois 60169.

# Cemetery Details

## Morizzo Family Funeral Home, Cremation Services and Cemetery Memorials

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Hoffman Estates, IL 60169

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<http://MorizzoFuneralHome.com>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **26**. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Morizzo Funeral Home

2550 Hassell Road

Hoffman Estates, IL 60169

# Tribute Wall

CC

“ Chuck Annette Casagrande purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Mr. Dean Marlow Worthem of Hanover Park.



Chuck Annette Casagrande - October 26, 2025 at 04:36 PM

DL

“ Dave Laack purchased the Love's Journey for the family of Mr. Dean Marlow Worthem of Hanover Park.



Dave Laack - October 25, 2025 at 10:22 PM

TT

“ The RLWC Team purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Dean Marlow Worthem of Hanover Park.



The RLWC Team - October 25, 2025 at 04:56 PM

JC

“ Jeffrey and Terah Corbett purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Dean Marlow Worthem of Hanover Park.



Jeffrey and Terah Corbett - October 24, 2025 at 02:54 PM

JF

“ John & Sue Keeley and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dean Marlow Worthem.

John & Sue Keeley and Family - October 24, 2025 at 01:19 PM

JF

“ John & Sue Keeley and Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Dean Marlow Worthem of Hanover Park.



John & Sue Keeley and Family - October 24, 2025 at 01:19 PM

DJ

“ Debbie J. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dean Marlow Worthem.

Debbie J. - October 23, 2025 at 11:11 AM

KS

“ Katie S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dean Marlow Worthem.

Katie S. - October 23, 2025 at 11:02 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Dean Marlow Worthem of Hanover Park.



October 23, 2025 at 06:58 AM



“ 138 files added to the album LifeTributes



Morizzo Funeral Home & Cremation Services - October 21, 2025 at 04:55 PM



“ Joe & Chris Turkoski and Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mr. Dean Marlow Worthem of Hanover Park.



Joe & Chris Turkoski and Family - October 21, 2025 at 04:54 PM

UT

“ *UL Solutions Furniture Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dean Marlow Worthem.*

UL Solutions Furniture Team - October 21, 2025 at 04:29 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Dean Marlow Worthem of Hanover Park.*



October 21, 2025 at 04:29 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mr. Dean Marlow Worthem of Hanover Park.*



October 21, 2025 at 03:42 PM

WF

“ *With Love, Your ERAC Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dean Marlow Worthem.*

With Love, Your ERAC Family - October 20, 2025 at 04:35 PM

WF

“ *With Love, Your ERAC Family purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Mr. Dean Marlow Worthem of Hanover Park.*



With Love, Your ERAC Family - October 20, 2025 at 04:35 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Dean Marlow Worthem of Hanover Park.*



October 20, 2025 at 03:38 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Dean Marlow Worthem of Hanover Park.*



October 20, 2025 at 12:39 PM

JP

“ *Joe and Deanna Petkus purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr. Dean Marlow Worthem of Hanover Park.*



Joe and Deanna Petkus - October 20, 2025 at 09:34 AM

DP

“ *Karen and family*  
*I am so sad to hear of Deans passing.*  
*Neighbors for more than 30 years I knew he could talk to God with*  
*that tower. You had a wonderful life with such great memories. May*  
*he rest in peace.*

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**Diana Pierce** - October 19, 2025 at 04:21 PM

KW

“ *Kathleen W. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dean Marlow Worthem.*

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**Kathleen W.** - October 19, 2025 at 02:19 PM

AD

“ *Alicia D. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dean Marlow Worthem.*

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**Alicia D.** - October 19, 2025 at 09:45 AM

AD

“ *Alicia D. purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mr. Dean Marlow Worthem of Hanover Park.*



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**Alicia D.** - October 19, 2025 at 09:45 AM

SI

“ Sincerely, Tom and Karen Ischkum planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dean Marlow Worthem.

Sincerely, Tom and Karen Ischkum - October 17, 2025 at 04:09 PM

“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Dean Marlow Worthem of Hanover Park.



October 17, 2025 at 04:09 PM

NJ

“ Nancy J. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Dean Marlow Worthem of Hanover Park.



Nancy J. - October 17, 2025 at 02:12 PM

HF

“ Humer, Buss and Kiley family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Dean Marlow Worthem of Hanover Park.



Humer, Buss and Kiley family - October 17, 2025 at 10:31 AM