



## Larry V. Lough

October 5, 1951 - May 16, 2026

Larry V. Lough was born on October 5, 1951, in Rolla, Missouri. He was the son of Otto and Ruthene (Tipton) Lough. Larry grew up in Salem and graduated with the Class of 1969 from Salem High School. He married Kathy Abney, and together they were blessed with a daughter, Trisha.

Larry dedicated many years of hard work to the mining industry, beginning with Amax, Asarco, and later retiring from Doe Run as a maintenance supervisor. Known as a true jack-of-all-trades, Larry could often be found building projects, welding, working outdoors, or improving his home. He took great pride in working with his hands and was always willing to lend those skills to help others.

Larry loved spending time hunting deer on the family farm, Indian Trails, and in Colorado. He also enjoyed fishing in the Current River. More than anything, Larry treasured his family. He dearly loved his grandchildren and great-grandchildren and cherished every moment spent with them. Whether sharing stories, playful teasing, or simply being present, he created memories his family will hold close forever.

Larry never met a stranger and would do anything for anyone. He was a member of the Salem Masonic Lodge #225, South Central Missouri Adou Ben Adhem Shriners, Sons of the American Legion, and Fraternal Order of Eagles

Aerie 3422. Larry was baptized in his faith and attended Salem First Christian Church when he was able. His positive attitude and generous heart were evident to those around him.

Larry passed away May 16, 2026, in Salem, Missouri, at the age of seventy-four years. Those left behind to treasure his memory include his loving daughter: Trisha Mendenhall of Salem, MO; sister: Ruth Ann Williams of Salem, MO; grandchildren: Scott Mendenhall, Kyla Mendenhall, Brandon Mendenhall and wife Summer, Jacob Mendenhall, Patrick Mendenhall and wife Amy, and Shelby Bright; numerous great-grandchildren; extended family and dear friends.

Preceding him in death were his parents: Otto and Ruthene (Tipton) Lough.

Larry will be remembered for his funny sense of humor, and the good jokes he always had to share. He will be deeply missed by those who knew and loved him.

Funeral Services were Friday, May 22, 2026, in the Wilson Mortuary Salem Chapel with Bro. Aaron Steelman officiating. Burial was in the Cedar Grove Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Wilson Mortuary in Salem, Missouri.

# Cemetery Details

## Cedar Grove Cemetery

Salem, MO

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 22.** 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

BH

“ Almost a cousin, Stanley Tipton is my first cousin. I knew Larry as a kid when I lived in Salem in 1958 to 1961.later he and Stanley came to see me and my dad in 1972 in Springfield. My name is Brent Hubbs and my dad was Arnold Hubbs. Several times in the sixties Larry's grandpa would drive a shuttle from St. Louis to Salem on Friday nights. He would drop me off at my grandma Hubbs house. I am so sorry for the loss of Larry. I will say a prayer for your family. I try to go to Green Forest Cemetery once a year where my parents and grandparents are buried. May God bless your family.

Brent Arnold Hubbs - June 18 at 12:34 AM

TF

“ So sorry to hear the passing of my cousin Larry. I have so many fond memories of visiting Salem with my parents Bernadean & Clarence Finley enjoying our time with our entire Lough family.. You will be missed Larry..Rest in Peace

Terry Finley - May 24 at 09:46 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Wilson Mortuary - May 22 at 02:29 PM



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**Wilson Mortuary** - May 22 at 09:43 AM

MW

“ Sorry to hear that fellow classmate Larry has passed on. He was always a friend to me in school. After the Army I didn't return to Salem but it was good to see him at our 50 year class reunion reunion. I extend my sympathy to his family. Mike Whitlock, Yuma, Arizona.

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**Michael Whitlock** - May 21 at 10:47 PM

DI

“ Larry and I shared many of laughs over the time I've known him. Sending his family my sincerest condolences.

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**Dina** - May 21 at 08:32 PM

KL

“ Rest in peace Larry, you will sadly be missed by all of us Classmates of 1969. God Bless you and your Family

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**Karen Lewis** - May 21 at 11:41 AM

JL

“ Rest in Peace Larry. You were a good neighbor

Jim Lofland - May 20 at 10:51 AM

JH

“ Everyone knows Larry was an exceptional football player with great potential. It was my privilege to play next to him every down, every play, for an entire season practice and games. Larry gave 100% effort ALL of the time and other teams would openly talk about his superior play during a game. He was our pro and kind of a hometown hero. The Springfield newspaper did an article on him stating he was the BEST FOOTBALL PLAYER EVER out of south central Missouri. He was all of that and more.

jim higginbottom - May 20 at 10:04 AM

VC

So sorry for your loss I miss my Friend driving up an down pass the house .He always had a smile and waved. I'm praying for family an friends just keep the sight of his smile an kindness and remember the wonderful memories a times you had .. GodBless

Viola Casey - May 22 at 12:52 PM

SA

“ RIP my friend. Always remembered.

Steve Altis - May 19 at 10:18 PM

RC

Rest in peace, Larry. My condolences for peace and love to the family.

RuthEllen Campbell - May 19 at 11:38 PM

KJ

*Will miss this gentle, kind and special cousin. Sending my prayers and love to Trisha and family.*  
*Karen (Tipton) Jones*

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**Karen Jones** - May 20 at 07:55 AM

JH

*If it wasn't for having surgery Friday morning I would be there to pay my respects. Sorry it won't be possible. Respects to the family one and all.*

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**jim higginbottom** - May 20 at 09:49 AM