



Michael L. Ruckman

February 20, 1963 - April 1, 2024

Michael L Ruckman, 61, of Huntington, passed away after a short illness, surrounded by his family at 6:09 pm Monday, April 1, 2024, at Parkview Regional Medical Center in Fort Wayne, IN.

Michael was born on February 20, 1963, in Marion, IN, the son of Murray Wooldridge and Evelyn (Knight) Wooldridge-Ruckman. He attended Eastbrook High School with the class of 1981. Michael married his childhood sweetheart and soulmate Tina E. Lamb on August 31, 1984, in Huntington. They were happily married for many years before she preceded him in death on December 12, 2022. Michael attended Bippus Calvary Church in Bippus, IN. He was a truck driver for most of his career, and formally worked at Novae for almost 11 years.

Michael was a quiet and extremely loyal man - there was no better Dad or friend. He was honored to be his wife's loving caretaker as she battled her illness. Michael loved watching NASCAR, cooking steaks on the grill, and mastering his new pizza oven. He was a man of many talents who could fix anything. Michael enjoyed the simple things in life, like sitting on the front porch with friends and family. His fondest memories included the trips he took with his wife - he especially enjoyed their trips to the casino and the cruises they went on. He loved his beagle Piper, she was his best buddy.

Survivors include his two loving daughters, Christina N. (Rebecca) Ruckman of Huntington, IN, Sydney M. Ray of Roanoke, IN; grandson, Jett R Winters of Roanoke, IN; brother Wayne Wooldridge of FL; four sisters, Pamela (Mark) Gard of IN, Wanda (Mike) Likens of KY, Karen Cassidy of IN, and Diana (Stub) Kuntz of IN. He is preceded in death by his wife, Tina E. Ruckman, father, Murray F. Wooldridge, mother, Evelyn Wooldridge-Ruckman, and stepfather, George Ruckman.

Visitation will be from 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm Thursday, April 11, 2024, at Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN. Celebration of Life services will follow at 6:00 pm, with his friend, Pastor Jim Hippensteel officiating.

Preferred memorials to the Cancer services of Northeast Indiana, in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN, 46750.

Please sign the online guest book at www.baileylove.com.

Bailey-Love Mortuary is honored to serve the family of Michael L. Ruckman.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 11. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall



“ *Bailey-Love Mortuary has created this video tribute in memory of Michael Ruckman.* ”



Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary - April 10, 2024 at 08:16 AM



“ *Big mike I love you so much ,I will miss our talks and you coming to club bingo to eat and to play tickets, and our talks about mikie and the motorcycles, you will be missed by so many people and family, i love you uncle Mike RIH* ”

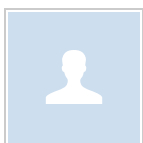
Roger shanks and blake - April 05, 2024 at 10:57 AM



“ *Debra Pressler lit a candle in memory of Michael Ruckman* ”



Debra Pressler - April 03, 2024 at 11:39 PM



“ *Comfort & Light 30" Sonnet was purchased for the family of Michael L. Ruckman.* ”



April 03, 2024 at 10:00 PM

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“ *Peggy Snyder lit a candle in memory of Michael Ruckman*



Peggy Snyder - April 03, 2024 at 07:08 PM

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“ *Scott and Sherry Wilkinson purchased the Comfort & Light 30" Sonnet for the family of Michael L. Ruckman.*



Scott and Sherry Wilkinson - April 03, 2024 at 05:19 PM