



Rex W. Laymon

April 16, 2021

Rex Laymon, age 93, of Andrews, IN, passed to Heaven on April 16, 2021, at his home. Rex was born April 10, 1928, to Lurene Stouder Laymon and Ray Laymon in Huntington County. He married Carilyn Thorn in 1950, who preceded him in death. Rex lived most of his life in Polk Township of Huntington County. He graduated from Monument City High School in 1947.

Rex was a farmer and specialized in dairy farming. He was featured in the Herald Press in the early 1950's for installing one of the first stainless steel milk bulk tanks in Huntington County to cool the milk.

Rex loved basketball and enjoyed a celebrated high school basketball career. Despite Monument City's small size (8-10 per grade) without a school gym, the school was respected for consistently having competitive teams in Huntington County. Rex was inducted into the first Huntington County Sports Hall of Fame in basketball in 1977. Rex held the county record for the most free-throw points in one game for many years throughout the 1950's. Rex also enjoyed bowling and square dancing. He and long-time companion Evelyn Krieg were members of the Belles & Beaus square dance group in North Manchester and Marion.

Rex is survived by his daughters, Debra (John) Denzer, Rhnea (Charles) Livingston, Granddaughter, Caroline (Tyler) Durbin, Great Grandson, John

Boone Durbin, Sister, Jan Coldren, Nephew, Dana (Sue) Coldren, Niece, Jenni (Patrick) Lambert, Step-granddaughter, Tammy (Doug) Weaver, and Step grandson, Tracy (Rhonda) Livingston. He is preceded in death by his parents, wife, and Granddaughter, Dr. Anna Quinn Denzer Emerson. The family will forever be grateful to the excellent care provided by his caregivers for the past 4 months: Kelli Ness, Tammy Weaver, Jamica Wintrode, Allison Wintrode, and Marisa Ray.

Visitation will be held 10 a.m. – 12 noon on Saturday, April 24, at Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, Indiana. Funeral services will be held at noon with Pastor Steve Conner officiating. Burial will be at the Andrews Riverside Cemetery in Huntington County.

Memorials are requested to be made to Heart to Heart Hospice of Marion, 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 Rex W. Laymon.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **24**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Bailey-Love Mortuary has created this video tribute in memory of Rex.*



Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary - April 21, 2021 at 07:40 PM



Great life Rexie had in these pictures.

Kay Bailey - April 21, 2021 at 09:23 PM

DY

“ *Rex use to come to my baseball games and enjoyed watching me play. He use to take me to basketball games growing up, and we use to watch March Madness. Rex was a huge part of my life he was a grandfather to me and I enjoyed being with him while I was growing up. He will be missed greatly. Thank you for the time you took to be a part of my life Rex.*

Daniel Young - April 24, 2021 at 07:53 PM

CZ

“ Dear Family of Rex Laymon,

I was just so sorry to hear of Rex's passing. He and my father, Carl Zurcher, used to eat at the same table in the Assisted Living Dining room at The Heritage. When COVID took over, they had to eat in their own rooms. I know my father missed his visits with Rex. When I would eat with Dad in the Dining Room, I would get to visit with Rex and enjoyed that so much. My first impulse was to call and tell Dad about Rex's passing, but then I remembered that Dad already knows, as they have been re-united in Heaven. You all will be in my thoughts and prayers.

Carla Zurcher

Carla J Zurcher - April 24, 2021 at 05:26 PM

KF

“ Rex and my dad, Jim Stanley, were good friends. I have so many memories of Rex growing up. So happy I was able to see him a few years ago but wish I had made it up again to visit. I'm the youngest of our family. Tom is my brother. Thinking of you all! 🙏🙏

Kathy Stanley Fleming - April 23, 2021 at 11:28 PM

MM

“ Rex and Jim Roth, our dad, were lifelong friends from Polk Township. High school basketball, farming, Alumni banquets, playing cards w/ their wives, and sharing family and Polk Township news were discussed topics.

Rex and Carolyn played cards with our parents, Jim & Joan Roth. Rex was always the scorekeeper who with his quick wit titled the score pad “Women and Winners”! Although the wives saw no humor, our dad repeated this story many times over the last 65 years & always with a chuckle.

Rex was a great friend to Dad & they shared much laughter together over the years.

Our family sends our condolences to Debbie & Rhnea and their families.

Bob & Muriel Roth Muth - Roanoke, IN
Brent & Peg Roth - Roanoke, IN

Muriel Roth Muth - April 22, 2021 at 08:15 PM



“ Rex was a great man to me and my family. I really love him and never had a cross word from him in all the years my Mom and Rex were together. I remember catching fish and cleaning them up at the "old house" and Rex would ask me how I could even stand to clean them. I would give him pieces of my fish to give to his cats as treats while I was cleaning them. He would laugh and say, "Look at them, fighting over who gets the biggest piece." He would just stand there and watch as I cleaned those fish. He love it when we had all the tents up and camping, eating and having fireworks. He even laugh at my dog Tigger one day at the garden when we were working in it until he, Rex, fell to his knees with laughter. Electric fencing is not a good thing for a short legged male dog jumping over it not once but 4 times. We all laugh about that until Tigger ran to the neighbors farm down the road. Rex was a jolly man, and will be missed very much. I am just glad I got to see him on the 9th and wished him Happy Birthday the day before his birthday and gave him a big hug and told him I loved him.

Kay Bailey - April 21, 2021 at 08:31 PM

LA

“ So sorry for your loss you are in our prayers. Larry and Angie Anderson.

Larry Anderson - April 21, 2021 at 02:28 PM

DH

“ God bless you and your family.

Dave&Mary Hasty Mike Hasty - April 21, 2021 at 12:23 PM

DL

“ Although I didn't know my cousin well as there was a vast difference in our ages, I remember Rex's jovial friendliness, his delight in sharing stories of his life and my family, and his striking resemblance to my brother, Kyle. Last time I saw him was at a Stouder family reunion many years ago in Kempton, IN. I totally enjoyed talking with him! I delighted in hearing a story about my mother which he told with such humor and animation. His laughter was contagious!

My thoughts and prayers are with his family as he continues to live in their hearts and treasured memories.

*With sympathy,
Dr. Kyan Stouder Leal*

Dr. Kyan Stouder Leal - April 21, 2021 at 11:04 AM

PY

“ This was a great day spent with my mom Evelyn and Rex touring the Salmony Reservoir! Rex seemed a bit nervous on the boat, until he recognized familiar areas that he grew up at that is now (and has been) under water. He scared the life out of me and my wife Kate when he stood up... in a moving boat... and pointed to a road that was still there from his childhood! We stopped the boat as he Caught our attention! The memories and stories he shared with us about that particular area! Rex seemingly, did not want to leave that area of the lake as he continued to look all around at his long past memories... as we cruised out of the area, you could see the memories on Rex's face... you could really see how happy it made him to remember and share them with us! I am so very thankful that he shared that piece of history with us! I was even more thankful, that for a brief moment in his long life, that we could bring back a piece of joy by taking him on a tour of the old town, Monument City, now renamed... The Salmony reservoir...
Rex was a giant of a man! And had a heart just as big! Thank you Rex, for all you have done throughout the many years you spent with my mom! You were always so kind... I never once heard a harsh word from you...



philip young - April 20, 2021 at 08:23 PM

KS

“ Rex was not the type to reach down and pick up a child, however children crawled up to him and demanded attention. Rex would laugh and would try to distract them from wanting to be held. Unfortunately for him my Son Tommy would still crawl up his leg to climb up on his lap. Then Rex would say “Look at this!” He definitely had a contagious laugh.

Maybe that’s why my children loved him so much. He will be missed.

Kathy Selby

kathy Selby - April 20, 2021 at 07:56 PM

TS

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Tom Stanley - April 20, 2021 at 07:40 PM

NM

“ Nancy L Mccoart lit a candle in memory of Rex W. Laymon



Nancy L Mccoart - April 18, 2021 at 04:57 PM