



## James "Casey" Charles Casey

September 2, 1961 - March 21, 2013

James "Casey" Charles Casey, Jr., age 51 of Albia, passed away Thursday, March 21, 2013, at Monroe County Hospital in Albia.

Casey was born September 2, 1961 in Erie, PA. He grew up and attended school in Pennsylvania before joining the U.S. Air Force where he was a survival equipment specialist, working with combat controllers and pararescue. He married Betsy Fohner on July 18, 1992 in Corry, PA.

Casey was a talented auto-trimmer most his life, which he learned while in the Air Force. He was a quiet and gentle mannered man with a great love for his family and friends. He was an avid outdoorsman, enjoyed hunting and fishing, caring for his dogs, and also was a great handy-man; helping anyone who asked.

Casey is survived by his wife, Betsy Casey of Albia; parents, Michael and Dolores Bull of Moravia; two children, Ann Marie (Keith Willis) Orsini of Elgin, PA and Joseph Anthony (Melissa) Orsini; four grandchildren, Shyan Lindstrom, Joseph, Lillian, and Tessa Orsini; and four sisters, Terry (Mark) Shultz of Belle Vernon, PA, Kimberly (William Briggs) Thomas of Corry, PA, Zelda Messinger of Corry, PA, and Phebe Bull of Corry, PA. He is also survived by two sisters-in-law, Cheryl Young of Erie, PA and Kim (Ed) Forget of Springfield, PA; three brothers-in-law, James Fohner, Larry Fohner and Neil (Karen) Fohner, all of Erie, PA; and many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Casey was preceded in death by two brothers, Michael Bull, Jr. and David Bull; grandparents, Isaac and Edith Lunger and Richard and Phebe Robinson; a nephew, Dustin Thomas; an uncle, James Robinson; and a mother-in-law, Anna Ross.

Funeral services will be 3 p.m., Saturday, March 23, 2013, at Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Dennis Doud officiating. Military rites provided by the American Legion of Albia, Lovilia, and Melrose will follow services at the funeral home. As were Casey's wishes, his body will be cremated following the service.

Visitation will be 1-3 p.m., Saturday, March 23, 2013, at Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with James family present during that time.

Memorials may be made to Casey's family.

# Comments

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“ Casey and I were stationed to in Germany and spent 3 months with him TDY in Las Vegas. Great guy and good friend sorry he left us so soon.

ralph siemer - Oak Harbor, WA - Veteran/friend - October 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ See you Casey.. Your old roomie in K-bay RMAB 79-81

Thomas Hagan - Middleburg, FL - Co-worker and roommate RMAB - October 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ Dear Casey's Family,

Our sincerest sympathy in the loss of Casey. You do not know me, but it appears we are related through Phebe Robinson. You see, Phebe was my Grandma's (Emma Robinson Latos) sister. I was unaware that our family was so big. We lost my grandma and grandpa just a few years ago, both had reached 90 years of age. I'm reaching out to connect with you and hopefully meet more of our family. It's strange the way God can connect us with each other, through events in our lives. My Uncle Ted (my grandma's son) lives only 23 miles from you in Ottumwa, Iowa. My aunt read the obituary and realized we are related. I remember my grandparents talking a lot about Willy Bull, but did not know the relationship. My grandma loved her sister Phebe Bull Robinson very much. In fact, I have one of the last letters from Phebe to my Grandma in my possession. It's a treasure of love. Again, my deepest sympathy in your loss.

Warmly,

Alicia Bausley

Alicia Bausley - Murrieta, CA - Family - March 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ Case' I loved cracking jokes with you and for the past month or so, watching you bond with your son Joe. I know it meant the world to him and you to have that special time together. In great times of sadness we will be reminded of Gods love grace and power. Although we may not know what Gods purpose is for us all and you; he needs you now. We will love miss and cherish you and all the memories we have with you. My deepest wish is that you could rejoin us now; but theres no way of that happening so I hope you and the rest of the family will hear my most sincere prayers love and respect. May you rest in peace.

--Missy

missy orsini - albia, IA - daughter in-law - March 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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Lenny - PA - March 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“What moves through us is a silence, a quiet sadness, a longing for one more day, one more word, one more touch, we may not understand why you left this earth so soon, or why you left before we were ready to say good-bye, but little by little, we begin to remember not just that you died, but that you lived. And that your life gave us memories too beautiful to forget.” - Author Unknown

My deepest sympathy to Betsy and family. Casey was much loved by so many.

**Pam Cyrene - Centerville, IA - friend** - March 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM