



Gary Hope

April 23, 1961 - September 12, 2023

Gary Hope, 62, of Eldon, passed away at 4 p.m. at Prestige Care Center in Fairfield on September 12, 2023, from health complications.

Gary was born in Waterloo, Iowa, on April 23, 1961, to Chester and Nancy (Vance) Hope. He moved to Albia after the passing of his father. He married Kirsten Lee Yenger in 1994 and later divorced after having 2 children.

Gary was a 1979 graduate of Albia high school and attended Indian Hills Community College in the computer program in the 80s. He worked in the composing department at The Ottumwa Courier from 1981 until 2019. He enjoyed working in his garage, working on cars, dirt bikes and anything with a motor. He loved spending time with his children, music and hanging out with friends.

Surviving are his children, Morgan Lockhart of Eldon, Keifer Hope (Olivia Horn) of Ottumwa and Kiera Hope of Ottumwa. Former step children, Jason Hollingsworth, Jill Lockhart, Jamie Bossard, Bethanne Crawford and Lisa Corcoran. Grandchildren Hope Cloke, Isabel Fisher and Macey Fisher. Brother Roger Hope of Albia; a sister, Janie Hope of Pine River MN; and his stepfather, John McDonald of Albia.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Rodney Hope.

Visitation will be held from 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. on Friday, September 15, 2023, at the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Gary's family present to greet family and friends.

Funeral services will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 16, 2023, at the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Pastor John Sowers officiating. Per Gary's wishes, his body will be cremated following the service. Burial will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 16, 2023, at Selection Cemetery in Albia.

An open memorial has been established to be determined at a later date.

Cemetery Details

Selection Cemetery

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **15**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Tharp Funeral Home
116 Benton Ave.
Albia, IA 52531
(641) 932-3129
<https://www.tharpfh.com/>

Funeral Service

SEP **16**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Burial

SEP **16**. 3:00 PM (CT)

Selection Cemetery

Tribute Wall



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Gary Hope.*



September 15, 2023 at 04:06 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gary Hope.*



September 15, 2023 at 03:23 PM