



Wayne Jay Messamaker

May 5, 1954 - April 2, 2023

Wayne Jay Messamaker, age 69, of Centerville, IA, passed away on Sunday, April 2, 2023, at his home, surrounded by his loved ones, under the care of EveryStep Hospice.

Wayne was born on January 5, 1954, in Knoxville, IA, to Raymond and Orpha (Bennett) Messamaker. He graduated from the Albia High School with the class of 1972. Following high school, Wayne served his country in the United States Army with the Military Police Unit. On June 19, 1976, he was united in marriage to Eloise Ashby in Iconium, IA, and to this union, 3 children, Tony, Matt, and Jocelyn, were born. Wayne and Eloise later divorced. On June 25, 2016, he was united in marriage to Selina Alba.

Upon returning home from the service, Wayne went to work driving truck for Moravia Feed and Supply before going to work for the Centerville Police Department. He then went to work at Moravia Trucking Company before being elected Monroe County Sheriff. Most recently, he owned and operated Dynamic Vision Trucking Company.

Wayne enjoyed being outdoors, mushroom hunting, and fishing, especially late night catfishing. He had his pilot's license and enjoyed flying planes. Wayne was an all-around avid race fan. He once managed a race track in Memphis, MO, has owned many different styles of race cars, and loved going

to the Knoxville Raceway to watch sprint car races. He enjoyed traveling to the Philippines and helped build houses there. Above all else, Wayne's true joy in life was spending time with his family and friends, especially his grandchildren.

Wayne is survived by his wife, Selina; 3 children, Tony (Maegan) Messamaker, Matt (Cindy) Messamaker, and Jocelyn (Mike) Casteel; 11 grandchildren, Quinton Casteel, Keaton Casteel, Ethan Messamaker, Ryan Messamaker, Trenton Clayworth, Kaelyn Casteel, Isaac Messamaker, Raegan Messamaker, Mason Messamaker, Kallie Messamaker, and Bentley Clayworth; a brother, Doug (Janet) Messamaker; and a sister, Barbara Rees. Wayne is also survived by several nieces, nephews, cousins, and good friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Raymond and Orpha; 2 sisters, Sandra Bruntmyer and Meuricia Bruntmyer; 3 brothers-in-law, Jim Rees, Ray Bruntmyer and Mike Bruntmyer; and 2 nephews, Kevin Rees and Joe Bruntmyer.

Visitation will be held from 3:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. on Friday, April 7, 2023, at the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Wayne's family present from 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. to greet family and friends.

A memorial service will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, April 8, 2023, at the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with military honors provided by the American Legion of Albia, Lovilia, and Melrose. A private family burial will be held at a later date.

A memorial has been established to the Welcome Home Soldier Monument in Albia.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 7. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

Memorial Service

APR 8. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

JR

“ I just today learned of Wayne's passing from his sister Barb. We were school mates when the family lived in Pleasantville. My sincere condolences to his family. Jocelyn Richards

Jocelyn Richards - July 25, 2024 at 12:14 AM

TL

“ Tim Latcham lit a candle in memory of Wayne Jay Messamaker



Tim Latcham - April 28, 2023 at 01:37 PM

JP

“ Condolences to your family during this difficult time. You are all in our thoughts and prayers. Jake and Jessica Pitt



Jake Pitt - April 07, 2023 at 05:11 PM

PC

“ What a life well-lived! RIP dear cousin. Deb(Bennett) Cart

Patricia Deborah Cart - April 05, 2023 at 10:06 PM

CA

“ RIP big man. Thanks for the care, concern and everything you gave everyone. You will be missed. Prayers to your family

Caren - April 05, 2023 at 04:26 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Wayne Jay Messamaker.*



April 05, 2023 at 02:24 PM



“ *Tony-We're incredibly sorry to hear of your dad's passing. Our thoughts are with you.*
Roger Shinn & Sandy Carlson

Sandy Carlson - April 05, 2023 at 10:30 AM



“ *RIP Wayne. You will be missed.*

Steve Huff - April 04, 2023 at 01:44 PM



“ *You will be missed much. Thank you for your loving care .*

Abigail a Jacobi - April 04, 2023 at 08:58 AM



“ *Alba Family from the Philippines. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Wayne Jay Messamaker.*



Alba Family from the Philippines. - April 04, 2023 at 08:45 AM

RS

“ So many, many memories with Wayne and Jennifer in the decade of the 90's. Lots of enjoyable hours spent on the farm. This one hurts.

Randy Stafford - April 03, 2023 at 11:57 PM

DS

“ My sympathies to you all. He's left a great legacy through you all. May good memories provide comfort.

Dianne Strickler - April 03, 2023 at 09:30 PM

CG

“ RIP Wayne. Prayers to your family.



Cheryl Gray - April 03, 2023 at 09:06 PM