



Charles O. Surma

February 26, 1957 - May 30, 2023

HAMLET – Charles Otto Surma of Hamlet passed away on Tuesday, May 30, 2023 at St. Mary’s Medical Center of Hobart. He was born on February 26, 1957 in Knox, Indiana to the late George and Louise (Santoski) Surma. He was 66 years-old at the time of his death.

A life-long resident of the Starke County area, Charles opened Surma Service in Hamlet in 1986. On April 21, 1984 he married Dawn Anderson in North Judson, Indiana. He was a member of St. Matthew Lutheran Church and also a member of the Son’s of the American Legion Hamlet Post 356. Charles will always be remembered as the longtime 4H Tractor Club Leader, which he dedicated 30 years of his life to. Above all, Charles greatest joy was seeing his grandkids and driving a tractor in the hay field with a cold beer in hand.

Charles is survived by his loving wife Dawn; three sons Adam (Jessica) Surma of Grovertown, Brandon (Kayla) Surma of Walkerton and Kristopher Surma of North Liberty; one daughter Courtney (Daniel) Snyder of Grovertown; six grandchildren Brant, Noah, Jonah & Ilya Surma, and Olson & Paislee Snyder; three brothers Walter (Kathy) Surma of Knox, Wilbert (Shari) Surma of North Judson and Martin (Kelly) Surma of North Judson; two sisters Carol (Joe) Miester of North Judson and Marilyn (John Lucas) Surma of Lebanon. Charlie is preceded in death by his parents and one daughter Kristyn Michele Surma.

There will be a gathering of friends and family on Tuesday, June 6, 2023 at 1:00 PM CDT to 3:00 PM CDT @ St. Matthew Lutheran Church in Hamlet, IN. The memorial service will begin at 3:00 PM CDT, also on Tuesday, June 6, 2023.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Gathering of family and friends

JUN 6. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

St. Matthew Lutheran Church
2 W Indiana Ave.
Hamlet, IN 46532

Tribute Wall



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Charles O. Surma.*



June 05, 2023 at 08:40 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Charles O. Surma.*



June 05, 2023 at 11:25 AM



“ *Good man always a smile. Charlie will always always be in my thoughts till we meet again 🙏*

Garrett - June 04, 2023 at 10:54 PM



Fishing trip to Florida was best time ever, I'll never forget Charlie

Paul Werges - June 06, 2023 at 11:48 AM



“ *I didn't know Charlie personally but I knew his parents. Louise was my bus driver for many years. So sorry for the families loss. Sending prayers*

Elizabeth Hurt- Brettin - June 04, 2023 at 07:54 PM

JZ

“ Dawn I am so sorry about his passing. Lean on family and God at this time.

Judy Zook - June 03, 2023 at 10:45 PM

YF

“ Your USIC Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Charles O. Surma.



Your USIC Family - June 02, 2023 at 03:07 PM

MH

“ So sorry for the Surma family. Charlie always, friendly, had a smile when I spoke with him at American Legion.

Murry Hight - June 02, 2023 at 08:55 AM

DS

“ Sorry to hear of charlie's passing. He will be missed. Thinking of Dawn and family

Don & Sandy Sinn

Donald Lee Sinn - June 02, 2023 at 07:31 AM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Charles O. Surma.



June 01, 2023 at 10:25 PM

RL

“ *My condolences to Dawn, kids, brothers and sisters. May God grant peace to all.*

Rich Liedtky - June 01, 2023 at 05:38 PM

MH

“ *Charlie always had a smile on his face. I remember him from hi de ho truck stop. He will be greatly missed. Love and prayers to Dawn and her family.*



Marti Sult- Holland - June 01, 2023 at 04:15 PM