



Joseph Taylor

August 3, 2025

Joseph R. Taylor, 48, of Walkerton, passed away on Sunday, August 3, 2025, following injuries he sustained doing what he loved, riding his Harley-Davidson motorcycle.

Born on June 29, 1977, in LaPorte to the late George and Janet (Awald) Taylor, Joe lived in the area his entire life and worked proudly as a pipefitter through Pipefitters Local 172 out of South Bend.

More than anything, Joe loved being a dad. His happiest moments were spent with his children, whether traveling, at a game, or sharing a good meal. His spirit, loyalty, and love for his kids were what drove him.

The Smoky Mountains of Gatlinburg, Tennessee, held a special place in his heart, and he often dreamed of retiring there. Joe also loved boating, shooting guns, and taking care of his beloved dogs, Harlie and Davidson. He enjoyed chicken wings, Mango Cart, a cold Bud Light, and driving his Ford trucks and Harleys.

Joe was an adventurer at heart. He had a passion for the open road, especially on his Harley-Davidson. He loved traveling, especially to Daytona Bike Week, which became an annual tradition. He found joy in the thrill of amusement parks, the excitement of football games, and the peace of a quiet fishing spot.

Joe is survived by his three children: Devin Joseph (Kassie Harding) Taylor, Andrew (Drew) Stone Taylor, and Janiston Kay Taylor; his sister Lisa Clifton; his brother George Taylor; his niece Jaden Clifton; and his two dogs Harlie

and Davidson. He was preceded in death by his parents, George and Janet. A Celebration of Life will be held at the Koontz Lake Association Clubhouse (10870 E. Cherokee RD, Walkerton, IN 46574, on Sunday, August 10th, from Noon to 8:00 PM EST. Friends and family are welcome to stop by, share stories, and honor Joe in the way he would have wanted—casual, heartfelt, and full of love. No additional services or viewing will be held.

In memory of Joe, the family asks you to raise a toast, have a laugh with family and friends, share a good meal, and remember him next time you ride.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Gathering of family and friends

AUG **10**. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Koontz Lake Association Clubhouse
10870 E. Cherokee Rd
Walkerton, IN 46574

Tribute Wall



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Joseph Taylor.

August 08, 2025 at 11:57 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Joseph Taylor.



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“ Joe is survive by many people whose lives he touched and cared about. He cared about the mother of his sons. He cared about his stepdaughter's and stepson. If I asked, he would do anything within his means to help you. I am proud of Devin and Drew, my grandsons. His absence will be greatly missed by them, his friends and family. Rest easy, Joe.

Carmela Horvath - August 08, 2025 at 08:02 AM

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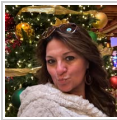
“ My soulmate, true love of my life, my very best friend & Dad to our beautiful Janiston. Your love for our daughter I admired the most. The bond u shared, your forever her Papa Bear & she is forever your Passenger Seat Princess. Your love & ambition for life & your family never wavered. You were a man of true integrity. Your passion doing what u loved made me love u so much more. Your a Megend to many who knew you & it was an honor being with u. I love u beyond death & pray u continue to watch over us & protect as u always have. U & I knew the love we shared & that love is what's getting me thru. Your memory I will keep alive as well as your legacy. A true man and a true Dad, u will b missed so much.

Tanisha Taylor - August 07, 2025 at 01:13 PM

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Our parents were all best friends. I'm sure Dad, George, Janet, all the OG Keiper's and many more are welcoming you with open arms and showing you how carefree they enjoy themselves now. I pray for your family that they are safe and I know they are surrounded by love. I didn't know you as an adult, but Lisa and I keep in touch. Mom is in Texas and not doing well so I am going to join the family in our behalf and hers. I know she would have come.

sherry Keiper - August 07, 2025 at 01:28 PM



Tanisha I'm beyond Blessed to have known you Joe damn near all of my life! You both made a great couple and I will always remember that! And of course I will always remember Joe as "Cool and Laid back" such a sweet guy always and always smiling full of life. That's how I will celebrate his life and always remember him! ❤️

Marlene Murphy - August 07, 2025 at 03:05 PM