



## Merlin Whitesell

August 12, 1954 - November 6, 2023

PLYMOUTH – Merlin Whitesell Jr. passed away unexpectedly on Monday, November 6, 2023 in St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth following an illness. He was born on August 12, 1954 in Knox to Merlin and Eva (Hemming) Whitesell Sr., and was 69 years old at the time of his death.

He lived in the area his entire life and on March 18, 1984 he married the love of his life Patricia (Heck). Merli was widely known and respected for his desire to always help anyone he could. He loved the outdoors and was an avid fisherman and hunter (especially deer). He also enjoyed many, many years of camping when he and his wife Pat were able.

Merlin is survived by his loving wife Patricia of Plymouth; his mother Eva Whitesell of Walkerton; three children Steven (Lisa) Wheat of Plymouth, Jerry (Robyn) Wheat of North Liberty, and Terry Wheat of Elkhart; eight grandchildren; and many great grandchildren. He is preceded in death by

Merlin has been cremated and there are no services planned at this time.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Merlin you will be profoundly missed . You were the best neighbor and friend. You always helped where you could. I teased you about being a hippy running around bare footed no matter the weather. It is not the same here without you.. RIP our Dear Friend.*



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**Shannon Preston** - November 15, 2023 at 11:02 AM