



Michael J. Elder, Sr.

August 18, 1960 - May 19, 2017

NORTH LIBERTY-Michael John Elder Sr., 56, passed away in his home on Friday, May 19, 2017.

Mike was born on August 18, 1960 in Knox, IN. He was an employee of P&H Machine of Walkerton.

Survivors include his wife, Janet (Kincaid) Elder; four children, Jennifer Hall, Michael (Michele) Elder Jr., Charles Elder and Amy (Chris) Wilson; eight grandchildren, four sisters, Margie (Michael) Gierlowski, Doris (Bob) Pfab, Fern (Gordon) Hostetler and Lori Forsythe; three brothers, William (Mary Lou) Elder, Kenneth (Becky) Elder and James (Debbie) Elder; and he was loved by 22 nieces & nephews and many great-nieces and great-nephews.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Billie Jean Telgenhof; one brother, Chester Elder Jr; and one brother-in-law, Sam Forsythe.

Mike's favorite hobbies were gardening, fishing, hunting mushrooms and caring for his animals. He enjoyed helping neighbors and friends with small jobs that needed to be done. He was a special person and will be dearly missed.

Funeral services will be Tuesday, May 23, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) at

the Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Burial will follow at the Eagle Creek Cemetery, Knox. Friends may visit Tuesday at the funeral home from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. ET. Memorial contributions may be given to the Hospice Foundation, 501 Comfort Place, Mishawaka, IN 46545.

Tribute Wall

LF

“ Mike, No words can't be said. To say Just how much you mean to me. Our last words together was the words. I love you and that I would call you in a day or so. Mike I will see you again one day. But, until then My love for you will for be deep within my heart . This isn't goodbye this is just so long for now. With love always your baby sister.

Lori Forsythe - June 18, 2018 at 10:12 AM

CF

“ my heartfelt sympathies to all the family Praying for healing and peace thru your grief

Cheryl Fisher - April 29, 2018 at 06:27 PM

LB

“ RIP Mikey.....

Liz and Aaron Bouts - April 29, 2018 at 06:27 PM

GW

“ I will always remember growing up with the Elder Family! During this time of great sorrow may the Good Lord Keep His Arms Around Us and give us comfort! Mike will for ever be missed and remembered in my heart! xypy

George Watson - April 29, 2018 at 06:27 PM

DL

“ fern, so sorry for your loss of your brother, prayers for you and your family

donna lawton - April 29, 2018 at 06:27 PM

PS

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time*

Paula Skorup - April 29, 2018 at 06:27 PM

DL

“ *I'm sorry for your lose praying for u all. Im Judy Lancaster's daughter*

Dj Lancaster - April 29, 2018 at 06:27 PM

GH

“ *My Dearest Brother, I can't begin to Thank You for such wonderful memories you have giving us over the 56 years years. You fought a very very hard battle , in my eyes and so many others YOU ARE ONE HELL OF A FIGHTER. Thank You for that Special Wish you wanted us to do for you. We had a blast and we owe it ALL to YOU . You gave me so many memories and I am so BLESSED to call you my FIGHTING HERO Now my " special angel " be sure to hug our loved ones there in Heaven, as one day I will be there to see you all. LOVE YOU and So Missed Already. BUT YOU are Pain FREE and in my eyes that's a true BLESSING !!*

Gordon and Fern Hostetler - April 29, 2018 at 06:27 PM

KB

“ *Jan and Family So sorry to hear about your loss God be with you all at this difficult time You're in my thoughts and prayers with Heartfelt Sympathy Kathy Borrelli*

Kathy Borrelli - April 29, 2018 at 06:27 PM

JJ

“ *mike was a fine man ,i have had good times fishing with mike . mike sat with me and talked to me when i had bad times in my life ,he was wise and very understanding and he saved me from trouble ,i will never forget you firm hand shake and your friendship love you mike*

Jerry Brown JR - April 29, 2018 at 06:27 PM

JG

“ *My deepest condolences to the family. Keeping you in my thoughts and prayers.*

Julie Gonzales - April 29, 2018 at 06:27 PM