



Vernon "Butch" Ketcham

May 29, 1948 - December 5, 2010

HAMLET-Vernon E. "Butch" Ketcham, 62, of Peru, formerly of Hamlet passed away Sunday, December 5, 2010 in Parkview Hospital, Ft. Wayne, IN. Mr. Ketcham was born May 29, 1948 in Starke County, IN to Eugene and Alice (Baughman) Ketcham and lived in Peru for one year, coming from Hamlet. Survivors include three daughters, Tammy Moore of Lebanon, MO, Sheila (Elmer) Sloan of Peru and Nichol (Brian) Rowe of Knox; eight grandchildren; one great-grandchild and two sisters, Vera (Ray) Singleton of Grovertown and Jean (Dave) Thompson of Knox. He was preceded in death by his parents, one grandson, one brother and four sisters.

Funeral services will be Friday at 7:00 p.m. (Central Time) at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel where friends may call Friday 4:00 p.m. until the time of services. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to the funeral home.

Tribute Wall

BS

“ I want to remember Butch for the old days when his wife Margo and there kids would come visit us almost every weekend. They were some of the best times of when I was growing up.

Bobby Singleton - April 29, 2018 at 08:20 PM

JS

“ Girls, I am thinking of you all...God's peace be with you.

Jackie Stiles - April 29, 2018 at 08:20 PM

VP

“ Thanks for the good memory's when we were younger

Virginia Price/Behner - April 29, 2018 at 08:20 PM

BS

“ Grandpa,

I'm going to miss you so much. You were sick for so long, I was just used to you being sick. I just saw you last week and we talked about you hopefully coming home someday.

When you started living with us, I never thought I'd be able to be close to you. But, I did. I'll miss sitting up at 4 in the morning, drinking coffee, and talking about anything and everything. I'll miss your jokes that were never funny because it was always the same ones, or when you took me to Kroger at 2am and we bought brownies and ice cream and stayed up all night to eat them. I'll miss so much.

I remember when you taught me how to drive. You didn't get mad when I hit the curb at the gas station, or when I pulled out in front of that car at the grocery store, or when I almost hit that semi head on heading up north.

You've taught me so much. Not to take life for granted...never to take anything too seriously. Laugh it off.

I'll miss you so much. I'll think about you every day. I love you.

Brandon Sloan - April 29, 2018 at 08:20 PM

AR

“ Vernon,

I liked being one of the only ones to get away with calling you Vernon. Say hello to my young nephew and dad for me, I never got to say goodbye to either one. Or you. Those things make me feel so guilty, but things happen for a reason.

I remember visiting you in the hospital, you werent awake. There was a sign on the wall that told visitors how to talk to a coma patient. Told us to tell you the date, whats in the news, etc. I told you it was January of 2020. Brandon smacked me and stated, "He can hear you."

I visited you again when you were awake.

You didnt find it so funny.

I miss that, our time was short but you made me laugh, gave me advice, and I appreciate it all.

-Austin-

Austin Ramer - April 29, 2018 at 08:20 PM

SH

“ Pops I love ya and I can't believe after all they progress you had made , your gone.

Sheila - April 29, 2018 at 08:20 PM

NI

“ Goodbye, dad. I always loved you.

Nichol - April 29, 2018 at 08:20 PM