



## Bruce A. Mendyke

November 17, 1964 - November 4, 2012

Bruce Anthony Mendyke, age 47 of Valparaiso and formerly of Portage, passed away November 4, 2012. Bruce was a 1984 graduate of Portage High School and was currently employed by Kloeckner Metals in Chicago, IL. He was a U.S. Army veteran. Bruce loved Nascar, the Cubs, singing with the band and spending time with family and friends. He was preceded in death by his father Carl Mendyke. Bruce is survived by his loving wife Christine, children Emily, Grace and Lillian Qualkinbush; mother Patricia, brother Brian (Lisa) Mendyke and sister Michelle (Shane) Mericle. Friends may visit with Bruce's family on Thursday, November 8, 2012, from 3 to time of service at 7 p.m. at Burns Funeral Home, 701 E. 7th St., Hobart. In lieu of flowers, donations to the family will be appreciated.[www.burnsfuneral.com](http://www.burnsfuneral.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ I have no words right now. Only disbelief, memories, and sadness. From your birth. To a boy. To a man. I have always loved you. I will always miss you nephew. Uncle.##imported-begin##Anthony R Rizzo##imported-end##

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November 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with you all in this time of grief. We will always ask why, but try to have faith that God had a bigger plan for Bruce and now he's with his Dad & Grandpa. Love to all of you.

~Dee Dee##imported-begin##Dee Dee Cobane##imported-end##

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November 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ no words can comfort during a time of loss. my thoughts are with you all during this time of loss.##imported-begin##Joe Durkin##imported-end##

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November 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ My heart goes out to you and your family Christine. There are no words fitting enough to express condolences. But know that you are on my mind and in my prayers.##imported-begin##Leah Leimbacher##imported-end##

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November 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Prayers sent to Bruce\'s Family and Friends. My God Comfort you all in your time of need.##imported-begin##Ralph Carrasco##imported-end##

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November 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ I am so sorry for your loss , I have known Bruce since the 6th grade. Bruce was always a fun person to be around.. Our condolences to your family, alot of prayers coming your way today & always.##imported-begin##Margaret Spears/Gipson##imported-end##

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November 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Im so sorry for your loss :( Ive known Bruce since grade ,middle, and high school,He always was the fun, joking wonderful person,My Condolences sent to your family.Prayers sent your way.##imported-begin##kimberly cook##imported-end##

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November 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Bruce was a great guy, He will be greatly missed,My Condolences to you and the girls.##imported-begin##Frank Clark##imported-end##

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November 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ My prayers go out to Bruces family, Bruce was one of my soldiers at FT. Riley KS and Neu Ulm Germany. I had great respect for Bruce he was a good Soldier, one i could always count on. he will be greatly missed.##imported-begin##John M. Archambault##imported-end##

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November 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ I am saddened to hear of this loss and my prayers and sympathy go to the family and all those dear to Bruce that are left behind. He leaves memories for all to cherish. May God comfort you all thru this most difficult time as he left all so early.##imported-begin##Desiree Johnson##imported-end##

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November 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ I was very saddened and shocked to hear that the good Lord decided to take you home so soon. My greatest memories of you were when you were singing in the band Smokescreen. It was always a great time and I loved the way you sang. Now you get to sing in Heaven. Rest in Peace Bruce. And Christine I'm praying for you and your family. May you find peace knowing that Bruce is still with you.

Terri LePellof Hobart IN##imported-begin##Terri##imported-end##

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November 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ I was very saddened to hear the loss of Bruce, my prayers and sympathy go to the family and friends left behind.##imported-begin##Debbie Fleming##imported-end##

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“ I will miss you more than anything Bruce. You take a piece me with you for eternity and I will forever be grateful for that. You were my big brother, my best friend and I love you with all of my heart and soul. The only peace I have in my heart is that I know we will be together again. I love you.###imported-begin##Michelle Mendyke Mericle###imported-end##

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November 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ My prayers are with your family Bruce as they live in a fallen world. Hope to see you in Heaven where Im sure your Rockin and in perfect peace. RIP my friend.###imported-begin##Dale Dahlgren PHS83###imported-end##

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November 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ I am so sorry to hear of Bruce\'s passing. Sending prayers to his family and friends in their time of need.  
Chris Collins  
Portage High School; Grad: 1983###imported-begin##Chris Collins###imported-end##

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November 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM