



Steven "Steve" L. Parks

March 17, 1950 - May 22, 2019

Steven "Steve" Luther Parks, age 69, of Hobart, passed away Wednesday, May 22, 2019, at 9:40 am, surrounded by his family, after a two-year battle with lung cancer and end stage COPD. He was born in Hammond, Indiana on March 17, 1950. Steve graduated from Horace Mann High School, class of 1968. He served in the 82nd Airborne Division in the Army and survived Vietnam after jumping out of perfectly good airplanes. After coming home, Steve became a member of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 142 in Gary, Indiana, where he retired as a business agent in June of 2011 after 39 years in the brotherhood. He was an avid hunter and fisherman. Steve was a Chevrolet classic car and truck restorer because on a quiet night you can hear a Ford rust.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Luther "Whitey" and Doris Jean Parks. Steve is survived by his wife and soul mate of 39 years, Michelle Parks and his three girls, Amanda Murphy, Stefanee (Rick) Asche, and Jeni (Ace) Janes. He leaves behind eight grandchildren, Julia Cluver, Thomas (Ashley) Janes, Alexander Solivais, Andrew Dolan, John Cluver, Kenzie (Steven Jolly) Janes, Chloe Parker and Natalie Parker. Steve also leaves behind great-grandchildren, Gage and Skylar Janes. He is also survived by his name sake born on May 18, 2019, Jameson Steven Jolly.

Steve has chosen to be cremated and his ashes spread at a future date at his favorite fishing spot in Schneider, Indiana. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in his name to Dunes Hospice, (888) 602-9004. Burns Funeral Home

(Hobart) entrusted with arrangements. www.burnsfuneral.com.

Tribute Wall



Michael
Murphy

“ *First met when I was 16 (1979), just bought a 71 mustang. Michelle & me went out driving both didn't know how to drive stick shift ! I was toasting the clutch ! She took me up to Dunkin donuts to get someone to teach. I was introduced to some guys sitting around drinking coffee & spinning stories. Steve was one of them & said come on kid I'll teach ya. We drove around that parking lot for a couple hours. He laughed his ass off ! Didn't know if him & Michelle were dating yet, but definitely flirting ! That was the first memory I had of him. After that many, many more. Steve taught me to drive a clutch, hunt & fish, change a clutch (ya it was fried) lol We spent a lot of time through the years hunting & fishing all over. A lot of funny misadventures pursuing bears, deer, pheasants, & ducks also the crappie & bluegill. When I got deer I usually called Steve first, sometimes just to tell him other times asking for help, which he always did. I will miss our stories/ bullshit sessions. I will miss him !*

Michael Murphy - May 23, 2019 at 04:27 PM