



William R. "Billy" Sempf

October 1, 1962 - August 6, 2011

William R. Sempf "Billy", age 48 years, of Stuart, Florida, formerly of Hobart, passed away on Saturday, August 6, 2011. He was a graduate of Hobart High School, class of 1980. Bill currently worked for the Allegro Co. He was a former Hobart Police Officer. He was a former correctional officer for the Lake County Jail. Bill's passions were hunting and fishing. He was a very compassionate animal lover. He moved to Florida in 2009, where he passed away.

He was a lifetime member of the National Fishing and Hunting Association.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Otto and Daisy Sempf, aunt Rhea Sempf, maternal grandparents Joe and Carol Bencze. He is survived by his father, William V. Sempf, his mother Carol (Jack) Julian, sister Cindee (David) Papi, beloved niece and nephew Rhea and Brock Papi, maternal grandmother Mary Krystek, aunts Sue (Ron) Fraser, Nonnie (Dale) McNary and Sandy (Terry) Leonard, uncle Mike (Marion) Yurchak, and many other loving and cherished aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

A Celebration of Bill's Life will be held for all those who knew and loved Bill from 2:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 28, 2011, at the Burns Funeral Home, 701 E. 7th Street, Hobart. There will be a prayer service at Burns Funeral Home at 5:00 p.m. by Pastor Stroup from Southlake Pentecostal

Church of Merrillville.

Contributions may be made to Hobart Humane Society

Tribute Wall



“ I was shocked & very saddened to hear of Bill's passing. I'm sorry I was unaware of the visitation service because I would have been there. I will remember him with a smile on his face, as he was always a kind & gentle big brother to me when I was friends with Cindee in high school. I hope others take comfort in good memories of him, too.##imported-begin##Lisa (Mattingly) Young##imported-end##

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“ My deep sympathy to you, Denise. I know this loss is hard. May you be comforted by good memories and may Bill rest in peace.##imported-begin##Roberta Huitsing##imported-end##

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“ I knew Bill since Elementary School and we played together on Macafee Dr. We moved from Hobart when I was 11. Fortunately, Bill married my cousin Denise and we were able to stay friends and keep in touch. I will always remember his great sense of humor, love of hunting and fishing and the things we had in common: A love of Stephen King novels and fried green tomatoes! I will miss him dearly. He was a wonderful person. With deepest sympathies, Cheryl.##imported-begin##Chery Nemtuda##imported-end##

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