



John Lawson

December 19, 1954 - December 23, 2011

John A Lawson age 57 of Dixon died Friday Dec. 23, 2011 in his home. He was born Dec. 19 1954 in Dixon the son of Grant and Lavina (Helfrich) Lawson. John had been a laborer for Laborers Local 727 for 31 years prior to his retirement. He married Catherine Chaon May 22, 1973 in Dixon. John is survived by his wife, children Matthew John (Scottie Moore) Lawson of Matteson, IL, Olivia (Pat) Phillips of Dixon, Dave (Debra) Janssen of Nelson, granddaughters MaTaia Zhane' Lawson, Ana-Kate Marie Phillips, Baylie Alexis Janssen and Gracie Marilyn Janssen, 5 brothers Charles (Joni) Lawson, Raymond "Bucky" (Carol) Lawson, Dale (Dorie) Lawson, James "Bear" (Deb) Lawson, Ronald "Boog" (Amy) Lawson, all of Dixon, 9 sisters Dolly (Dave) Gugerty, Judy Kemp, Linda Draska, Karen "Moose" Lawson, Diana Bee Lawson, Nancy (Steve) Smith, Constance Lawson, Sue (Gene) Johnson, and Jane (Mark) Imfeld all of Dixon. He is also survived by nephews, nieces, great nephews, great nieces, and great great nephews and great great nieces. He was preceded in death by his parents, and 3 brothers William, Thomas and Timothy Lawson. He enjoyed hunting the trophy deer. He accomplished in 1988 the record for the largest doe tagged in Lee County. He enjoyed trips to Wisconsin shagging salmon. He enjoyed fishing in the Rock, where he was known as "Big Musky". He loved playing cards and stories with friends. He loved playing baseball and the famous "Can of Corn". Most of all he cherished "bragging rights" on his children and grandchildren. He loved Ana-Kate, MaTaia, Baylie and Gracie more than anyone could. He

is their shining star. Whenever they miss him, they only have to look to the sky and know the brightest star is grandpa. Cremation rites have been accorded and a celebration of John's life will be held at a later date.

Tribute Wall



“ *John Lawson*

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *John Lawson*

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ *Your family is in our prayers. If you should need anything, please let us know.*

The Boyers and Rains

Nichole (Boyer) Rains and Derrick Boyer - December 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *We are very sorry for your loss jane.*

tim.jodi.jax@luke liston - December 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Cathy, Matt, and Olivia,
I'm deeply sorry for the recent loss of your husband and father John. You're family will always remain one of my favorite families involving school and sports. You did a great job John....Rest in Peace.*

Steve Keegan & Family

steve keegan - December 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ So very sorry for your loss! I got a nice laugh when I read the famous "can of corn" reference. I so remember him saying this and never knew what it meant at the time but it was explained to me during softball. Take care and God Bless!

Deb (Dimmig) Whites - December 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ sorry for your loss and prayers to all. i lived at 709 harriet avenue many years ago.

judy barnard - December 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ So sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Joyce Flynn - December 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ I worked with John for many years during construction at the Byron Nuclear Station and will always remember him for his great sense of humor, positive attitude, and love & loyalty to family & friends (and pinto horses). I am deeply sorry for your loss.

Jacci Schlosser

Jacci Schlosser - December 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM