



Micheal A. Bernardin

May 13, 1950 - October 30, 2024

Micheal Allan Bernardin passed away on Oct. 30, 2024, after fighting a two-year battle with Multiple Myeloma. Micheal was born in Rochelle, Illinois on May 13, 1950, and lived his entire childhood in Amboy. He graduated in the class of 1968 from Amboy High School.

On Sept. 5, 1992, Mike married Mary Margaret Furuseth, and they became a blended family of five daughters: Amy Bernardin (John) Smith, Lisa Bernardin (Ryan) Zorn, Laura Bernardin, Micki Joslin (Mike) Blevins, and Marcy Joslin (Dan) Brown.

Mike had many interests in his life but two of the things he loved most, besides life on the farm, were music and cars. He would sit in the music room for hours listening to all types of music. He would make custom CDs for friends and always had the stereo blaring in his shop when he worked on his second great passion, his antique cars. He was the proud owner of a 1934 Ford that he rebuilt three times and his 1928 Ford that was purchased years later. Of course, he tore that apart and rebuilt it too, but that was just Mike. In the summer, he would hit at least one car show a week. He could be found Wednesday nights at his favorite spot Smokin Coops, where they became like family to Mike. Trophies meant nothing to him. He just loved seeing all his friends and talking cars.

Mike worked for 28 years at Northwestern Steel and Wire before deciding to run for Highway Commissioner of Viola Township. After winning the election in 2005, Mike faithfully served the community for over 19 years. Sometimes

working 24 hours straight to clear the snow because "it just needed to be done".

Mike is survived by his wife, his daughters and nine grandchildren: Justin (Sarah) Smith, Matthew Smith, AJ Smith, Nathan, Jacob and Emma Zorn, Luke and Lexi Brown, and Ashton Blevins, and his sister Jean (Don) Kreiser. He is preceded in death by his parents Edwin and Sue Bernardin, his sister Marie Boyer, and his parents-in-law Dean and Margaret Furuseth.

In Lieu of flowers please make your donation to Unity Hospice or The Hub City Senior Center.

Visitation will be on Sunday Nov. 3, 2024 from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM at the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy. Funeral Services will be on Monday Nov. 4, 2024 at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Amboy for Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 AM. Burial will follow at St. Mary Cemetery in West Brooklyn. Arrangements by the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy.

Cemetery Details

St Mary Cemetery

722 Brooklyn Rd
West Brooklyn , IL 61378

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 3. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Mihm-Jones Funeral Home, Amboy
303 East Main Street
Amboy, IL 61310
(815) 857-2611
info@thejonesfh.com
<https://www.thejonesfh.com>

Service

NOV 4. 10:00 AM (CT)

St Patrick Catholic Church Amboy
32 N Jones
Amboy, IL 61310

Tribute Wall

LZ

“ *A wonderful Papa* ❤️



Lisa Zorn - November 01, 2024 at 10:43 PM

LJ

“ *Linda, Mark, Gary, Bob, John & Joan purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Micheal A. Bernardin.*



Linda, Mark, Gary, Bob, John & Joan - November 01, 2024 at 09:59 AM

LI

“ Thank you Dad/Papa B.... You will be missed here on earth. See you in heaven.

—Lisa Ann



lisa - October 31, 2024 at 10:57 PM

BE

“ Brown, Buchwald, and Ellis purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Micheal A. Bernardin.



Brown, Buchwald, and Ellis - October 31, 2024 at 07:11 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Micheal A. Bernardin.



October 31, 2024 at 06:55 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Micheal A. Bernardin.

October 31, 2024 at 06:55 PM



“ Tender Tribute was purchased for the family of Micheal A. Bernardin.



October 31, 2024 at 06:22 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Micheal A. Bernardin.

October 31, 2024 at 06:22 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Micheal A. Bernardin.



October 31, 2024 at 05:44 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Micheal A. Bernardin.

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“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Micheal A. Bernardin.*



October 31, 2024 at 05:31 PM



“ *Mary and Family, My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.*



Steven Beck - October 31, 2024 at 05:25 PM