



Jim R. Shonkwiler

April 6, 1966 - January 3, 2013

James R. Shonkwiler, age 46 of Mattoon, passed away at 9:15 p.m. on Thursday, January 3, 2013 at Palm Terrace in Mattoon, IL. Per his wishes, Jim will be cremated. A private memorial graveside service will be held at a later date in Dodge Grove Cemetery. The family has entrusted Mitchell Jerdan Funeral Home, 1200 Wabash Avenue, Mattoon, IL, with arrangements.

Jim was born on April 6, 1966, in Mattoon, IL, the son of William and Patricia (Empson) Shonkwiler. He is missed by his five surviving siblings: Sue Harliss of Mattoon, IL; Joy Smith, and her husband Bubba, of Mattoon, IL; Kathy Carter, and her husband Karl, of Gretna, LA; Keith Shonkwiler, and his wife, Lisa, of Ellsworth, WI; and Phyllis Shonkwiler, of Springfield, IL; Many nieces and nephews, all of which he was very close to; A great friend, Casey Domben, who was more like family to Jim; and a close cousin, Norm Evans.

He is preceded in death by his parents, William and Patricia Shonkwiler, and one brother, Jesse Hickey.

Mr. Shonkwiler happily attended St. Mary Catholic Church in Ellsworth, WI. He was a nation-wide flatbed truck driver all of his life until he retired. He very much enjoyed what he did for a living, as he saw many beautiful sights along the way. Above all, Jim enjoyed gathering with his family over the holidays for fun, food, and fellowship. He had a very giving soul and he will be sadly missed by his family and friends.

Tribute Wall



“ *Jim R. Shonkwiler*

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