



Jeffery L. McNelly

July 17, 1961 - February 13, 2026

Jeffery L. McNelly, age 64, of Kentland, Indiana, passed away on February 13, 2026. He was born on July 17, 1961, in Brook, Indiana, to the late Herman and Alberta (Cripe) McNelly.

Jeff was a 1979 graduate of South Newton High School. On August 15, 1993, he married Tammy Lewis in Wolcott, Indiana, and she survives.

Jeff worked in security at Rose Acre Farms. He also dedicated himself to managing the household and caring for his family, a role he valued deeply. He enjoyed spending time outdoors, fishing, maintaining his yard, and repairing equipment. He was also an avid firearms enthusiast.

He is survived by his loving wife, Tammy McNelly; his children, Sommer McNelly of Rensselaer and Coltyn (Madison) McNelly and granddaughter Maelyn of Lafayette, Indiana; and his siblings, Steve McNelly of Goodland, Indiana, Pam (George) Crain of Kentland, Indiana, and Kevin (Amy) McNelly of Potomac, Maryland and numerous nieces and nephews.

Jeff was preceded by his parents, son, Jeffery Scott Lewis & stepfather, Edward Eason, his mother-in-law and brother-in-law.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, February 18, 2026, from 3:30 p.m. to

5:30 p.m. CT at Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer. A funeral service will follow at 5:30 p.m. CT at the funeral chapel. Cremation rites will follow, with interment at Milroy Township Cemetery at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Muscular Dystrophy Association (https://muscular dystrophy.donorsupport.co/page/FUNPSUHKRYU?utm_source=google&utm_medium=paidsearch&utm_campaign=eg&utm_content=sitelink-ev-sitelink1&gad_source=1&gad_campaignid=21938818289&gbraid=0AAADP9m5C2uhmWTg-evn2Jml9P1VBB1&gclid=CjwKCAiAtLvMBhB_EiwA1u6_PkTRxIKqgL2CWmc6rkzzMw5Bd1x5ynT5K-HpxUVA514wtdXjWOg5pxoCsGUQAvD_BwE).

Cemetery Details

Milroy Township Cemetery

Milroy Cemetery
Monon, IN 47959

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 18. 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer
250 N. McKinley Avenue
P.O. Box 70
Rensselaer, IN 47978
(219) 866-5123
info@jacksonfuneral.com
<https://www.jacksonfuneral.com>

Funeral Service

FEB 18. 5:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



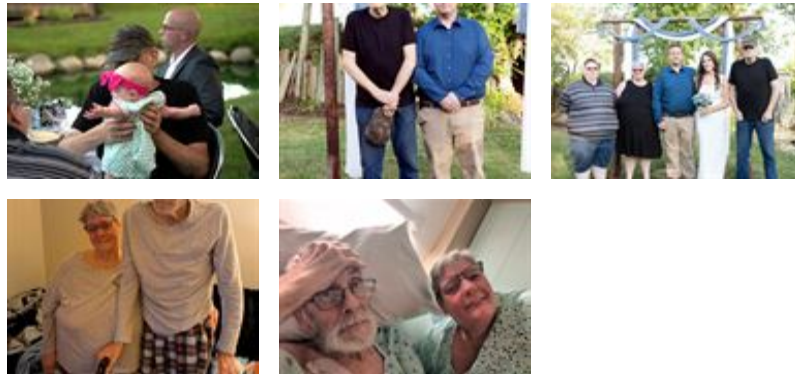
“ *Jackson Funeral Chapels created a Tribute Video in memory of Jeffery L. McNelly*



Jackson Funeral Chapels - February 18 at 03:05 PM



“ *48 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Jackson Funeral Chapels - February 18 at 11:13 AM

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“ *Lynda Edwards lit a candle in memory of Jeffery L. McNelly*



Lynda Edwards - February 14 at 07:28 PM

DE

“ I’m so sorry for your family’s loss Tammy. You both fought really hard...love you. Rosie



Deb (Rose) Ellis - February 14 at 10:01 AM

PD

“ My husband Dan and I have known Jeff for 45 years and spent tons of time with him and have very fond memories that we will treasure for the rest of our lives. He always loved our kids and treated them well and they all loved him and Tammy as well as Jeffrey, Sommer and Coltyn. Our families spent much of time together as possible. He will be missed by all who knew him especially my youngest daughter she has always been a part of Jeff and Tammy's life and continued to stay in contact with them as much as possible.



Priscilla Doege - February 13 at 09:12 PM