



## Keith F. Michalski

October 26, 1964 - April 1, 2012

### KEITH F. MICHALSKI

Keith F. Michalski age 47, of DeMotte, Indiana passed away on Sunday April 1, 2012. He was born on October 26, 1964 in Chicago, IL the son of Eugene and Terry (Rejewski) Michalski.

He worked for Chief Industries in Rensselaer. He was an avid fisherman and motorcycle rider.

Keith is survived by his children, Michael K. Michalski of DeMotte, Amy (Gordon) Sharky of Lowell and Joey Ernst of DeMotte; his mother, Terry (Larry) Brown of Frenchlick IN; 2 brothers, Ken (Deborah) Michalski of Cedar Lake, IN and Kevin (Kathy) Michalski of IL and a sister, Kim (Jeff) Chapman of OH. He was preceded in death by his father.

Friends may call on Friday, April 13, 2012 from 5 - 7 PM at Jackson Funeral Service, DeMotte, IN. Memorial services will be held on Friday, April 13, 2012 at 7:00 PM with Rev. Monsignor Robert Sell officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **13**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Service of DeMotte  
200 3rd Street, SW  
P.O. Box 681  
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# Tribute Wall

JN

“ *Rest in Peace Brother !*



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**John Narug** - March 31, 2016 at 11:18 AM

JN

“ *John Narug lit a candle in memory of Keith F. Michalski*



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**John Narug** - May 09, 2014 at 11:31 AM

JO

“ *John,Carol,Nikki lit a candle in memory of Keith F. Michalski*

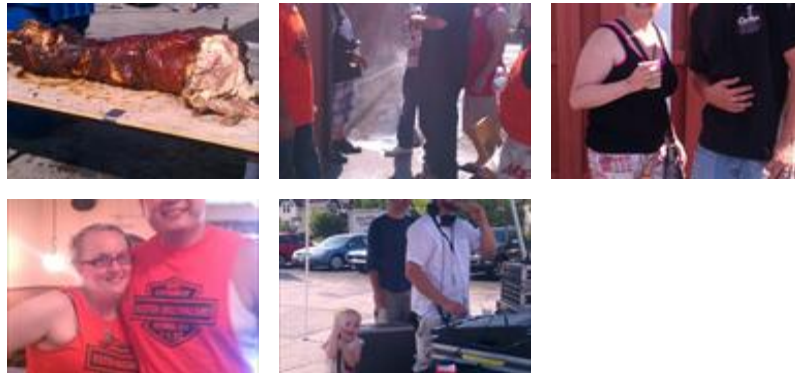


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**John,Carol,Nikki** - September 26, 2012 at 02:37 AM

RE

“ 14 files added to the album *CELEBRATING YOUR LIFE*



REGINA - July 11, 2012 at 12:37 PM

TP

“ *The Peasant; lit a candle in memory of Keith F. Michalski*



the peasant; - May 15, 2012 at 11:00 PM

TP

“ *The Polish Pesant. lit a candle in memory of Keith F. Michalski*



the polish peasant. - May 05, 2012 at 11:30 AM

NI

“ *Nikki lit a candle in memory of Keith F. Michalski*



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**Nikki** - May 03, 2012 at 11:53 AM

SP

“ *Spark lit a candle in memory of Keith F. Michalski*



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**Spark** - May 03, 2012 at 02:27 AM

RE

“ *Oh Uncle KiKi not a day goes past that you dont cross my mind. I heard Aunt Helga joined you yesterday. I love and miss you so much*

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**Regina** - April 27, 2012 at 12:37 PM



“ *0 file added to the tribute wall*

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April 19, 2012 at 12:37 PM



“ lit a candle in memory of Keith F. Michalski



April 19, 2012 at 12:33 PM



“ Mark & Joyce Mathews lit a candle in memory of Keith F. Michalski



**Mark & Joyce Mathews** - April 13, 2012 at 05:55 PM



*There are no words that can be said for our feelings & this tragic loss. Keith will forever be in our hearts and memories. He was a great man & friend. Never seen a day he was not smiling and joking with everyone, no matter what the circumstance. Really going to miss him. He was one of the best.*

**Mark & Joyce Mathews** - April 13, 2012 at 06:11 PM



“ Dick And Claudia Boothe lit a candle in memory of Keith F. Michalski



**Dick and Claudia Boothe** - April 13, 2012 at 03:31 PM

DB

*Keeping you all in our thoughts and remembering fun times with Keith.  
:) Love, Dick and Claud*

**Dick and Claudia Boothe** - April 13, 2012 at 03:32 PM

ZL

“ *My deepest sympathy to the Michalski family. Not nearly enough Sunday morning coffee visits with Kiki. Uncle Matt & Auntie Helen will take good care of him. Zoe*

**Zoe Luedtke** - April 13, 2012 at 10:45 AM

RB

“ *Roger Buschman lit a candle in memory of Keith F. Michalski*



**Roger Buschman** - April 12, 2012 at 05:00 AM

JM

“ *1 file added to the album Light up Corydon..*



**Julie McCormick** - April 09, 2012 at 08:44 PM



“ *Robin Turnpaugh sent a virtual gift in memory of Keith F. Michalski*



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**Robin Turnpaugh** - April 09, 2012 at 03:22 PM



“ *David Morrison lit a candle in memory of Keith F. Michalski*



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**david morrison** - April 09, 2012 at 09:20 AM



“ *Catherine Hewardine lit a candle in memory of Keith F. Michalski*



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**Catherine Hewardine** - April 08, 2012 at 04:26 PM



*Spending so much time with Keith as my brother-in-law was a blessing. We all loved him deeply.*

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**Catherine Hewardine** - April 08, 2012 at 04:28 PM

PL

“ Pam Lemler lit a candle in memory of Keith F. Michalski



Pam Lemler - April 07, 2012 at 07:04 PM

TH

“ When life takes one of those turns, and events lead you to a tribute page such as this, it's often a struggle to put into words all the things you want to say. It's about how honored you were to be his friend, and the respect you felt for him...but you just can't quite string the words together in a way you feel good enough about...so I'll keep it simple. Keith made me laugh, and I was always happy to see him. And he made you feel like he was always happy to see you, too. I'm gonna miss riding with him.  
Tom Holmberg

Thomas Holmberg - April 07, 2012 at 04:38 PM

TF

“ The Nichols Family lit a candle in memory of Keith F. Michalski



The Nichols Family - April 07, 2012 at 10:09 AM

TF

“ *The Martinez Family lit a candle in memory of Keith F. Michalski*



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**The Martinez Family** - April 07, 2012 at 08:58 AM

DH

“ *Daniel Hodge lit a candle in memory of Keith F. Michalski*



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**Daniel Hodge** - April 07, 2012 at 07:32 AM

GB

“ *Gene Bechinski lit a candle in memory of Keith F. Michalski*



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**Gene Bechinski** - April 06, 2012 at 09:14 PM



“ *Jennifer Shaw lit a candle in memory of Keith F. Michalski*



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**Jennifer Shaw** - April 06, 2012 at 08:32 PM



“ *Mikel Shaw lit a candle in memory of Keith F. Michalski*



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**Mikel Shaw** - April 06, 2012 at 08:22 PM



“ *Ki Ki, Our family will never be the same. What was taken from us can never be replaced. I know your dad and my dad were up there waiting for you, and I hope you are enjoying your reunion with them. I was sharing memories of you with my kids, and I told Kayla if you were just a little older you would have known one of your cousins big hugs with a handful of ass grabbing to go along with it. Enjoy your peace, ride with the warm sunshine, fish in the lakes of heaven, and have a shot and beer with your dad and uncle Frank. We will meet again one day, save me one of those hugs cuz!  
Love you, Cary*

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**cary mckinnon** - April 06, 2012 at 06:37 PM



“ *Michael Sederholm lit a candle in memory of Keith F. Michalski*



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**Michael Sederholm** - April 06, 2012 at 05:33 PM

MS

“ Keith,

*Working with you at Chief Industries this past year and a half has been a great time. I wish there was more time we could of spent together as you have been such an inspiration to me and my family. You have taught me so much in such a short time. We have grown from friends to close as brothers get. The night of my accident I remember when I opened my eyes you were the first person I seen. You calmed me down, got help and were there for reason. I will never be able to repay that. I sure was looking forward to us fishing in my back yard, but unfortunately the Lord had more important things for you to take care of. There was so much more you could have done for others. It has been a blessing knowing you, having you as my boss, the stories you have shared and the concern you showed during my accident towards me and my family. I will miss you so much, but never ever forget you. Now you can ride your Harley all you want with no worries - Ride Free my friend, but stay close I will see you again.*

*Mike Sederholm*

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**Michael Sederholm** - April 06, 2012 at 05:32 PM

KW

“ *What a tragedy...i met Keith about 25 or so years ago and alls I can say is he was a top notch dude.Always smiling and joking is what I'll remember most about him. May God grant you eternal rest and bring peace to the entire family during these difficult times.We lost a great person but will cherish the many memories forever.Rest in peace Keith.*

*Keith Warn and family*

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**Keith Warn** - April 06, 2012 at 05:10 PM

MS

“ We will forever be thankful for all Keith has done for our family. My husband, Mike, worked at Chief Industries with Keith. On January 17, 2012, Mike was on his way home from work and was in a horrible car accident. Keith came upon the accident and found Mike unconscious and in a terrible condition. Keith called 911 and stayed with Mike, keeping him calm and even tried to contact me. Keith called every day, visited Mike in the hospital and brought lots of food and monetary donations to our house. He visited with Mike at home a few times since his accident. Mike really looked forward to those visits. Keith would joke and tell him, one day I will carry you to the river and we're gonna fish, as we live along the river and Mike has never fished! Keith thoughts that was funny that Mike loved to watch the river flow, but never fished. He couldn't quite understand that one. Why would God want to take this amazing man away from everyone? They must of needed his strength, his huge heart and amazing way of making everything seem ok. We will miss you my friend. Ride on Keith! God Bless.

Melissa Sederholm - April 06, 2012 at 02:10 PM

MM

“ 13 files added to the album Photos from Chief Industries



Melissa Miller - April 06, 2012 at 10:55 AM

SK

“ My dear cousin Ki Ki oh how we will all miss you! Who will I plan dinner for on Saturday after Thanksgiving? I start to pick the raspberries in July, saving as much as I can to prepare you something special in November.

This year we will continue the tradition and once again we will stand in the square with our lighter lit! Remember that first year....

We have lost a beautiful man, one who cherished family and friends to the depths of his soul. Your laugh and your bear hugs will be forever missed.....even that smack on the ass when I am trying to get a dinner on the table!!!

You have blessed us all with your life. Always smiling and making us laugh....RIP my dear cousin you will never be forgotten!

Susie Karcher



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Susan karcher - April 05, 2012 at 09:17 PM

JK

“ Although I never got to meet you, Keith, I was so looking forward to it. You seemed like such a good man. So good with kids and such a good human being. I wil always regret not getting the chance to meet you. But you will always be in my heart. Live to ride, Ride to Llive! Jimmee

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Jimmee Kochevar - April 05, 2012 at 05:07 PM

TM

“ Timothy R Morton lit a candle in memory of Keith F. Michalski



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Timothy R Morton - April 05, 2012 at 04:37 PM

TM

Your family is in our prayers

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Timothy R Morton - April 05, 2012 at 04:38 PM

ST

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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Stacie - April 05, 2012 at 04:17 PM



“ Our condolences go out to my family afar. Keith, you will be missed and never forgotten. The memories that I have of us kids growing up will always be there and replayed in my mind. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all!! Love you all!! Rick, Susan, Nik & Travis Dombrowski

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Richard Dombrowski - April 05, 2012 at 12:14 PM



“ *Richard Dombrowski lit a candle in memory of Keith F. Michalski*



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**Richard Dombrowski** - April 05, 2012 at 12:13 PM



“ *I'm sorry I lost contact with the family pretty much after mom Mathes died, I do miss all the family. I'm very sorry for your loss. I do remember Keith coming to mom's house with Irene and the kids, and he always made everyone laugh. He was a great guy. The world will be a sadder place without him.*



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**Carol Mathes** - April 05, 2012 at 05:23 AM



“ *i think about him all the time now and now my thoughts r sad but i love him most dearly and i know that for a true fact now i wont miss his bad breath or is itchy beard thing but if u would be laughing or crying right now iknow he would say its ok or he could be in a bad mood and say suck it up real michalski's dont cry so no matter what he said it made me feel better always*

*and u know i will miss his big bright orange jacket at light up corydon and he and my uncle daived would always buy us cookies there to so ya u could say i was spoiled this is writin by emma i will always have u in my thoughts uncle ke ke i will miss u*

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**Emma Gene McCormick** - April 04, 2012 at 09:37 PM

JM

“ *Its very hard to put into words what we felt about Keith, We loved him, we laughed with him, we always looked forward to Thanksgiving time every year when Keith would come to stay with his mom. We had a tradition of "Light up Corydon" where we would all go together and sing and dance in the town square to the sound of singer, Sarah's voice, who by the way Keith finally met this past year and made this poor lady take pictures with him- lots of pictures:) He was so great to my children. He always made sure he took Jacob hunting with him, and this year Emma was told she would be old enough to go with.. My heart goes out to all who have been blessed to have known him, to have laughed with him and who have loved him the way my children and I have... Love you Ke Ke*

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**Julie McCormick** - April 04, 2012 at 06:07 PM

JC

“ *I wish to send my condolences to the Michalski family. I did not personally know Keith but I have known his brother Kevin's family for a very long time. I am so very sorry for the loss of your brother Kevin. And I hope you and your family can be of comfort to each other in this time of grief. I will be keeping you and your family in my prayers.*

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**Jenean Cates** - April 04, 2012 at 03:05 PM

JC

“ *Jenean Cates sent a virtual gift in memory of Keith F. Michalski*



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**Jenean Cates** - April 04, 2012 at 02:57 PM

JC

“ *Jenean Cates lit a candle in memory of Keith F. Michalski*



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**Jenean Cates** - April 04, 2012 at 02:55 PM

SA

“ *Sandra Anders lit a candle in memory of Keith F. Michalski*



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**sandra anders** - April 04, 2012 at 12:56 PM

JN

“ *I am proud to say Keith was one of the most RIGHTEOUS friends and brothers I have ever had the pleasure to ride with, and befriend in my life. What he meant to me and my family is hard to put into words. I will never forget how he took the time to, make sure my daughter was included, along with their back in forth bantering, that resulted in really making her day. As I work my way through the grief process of losing him in this life, it has taken me a couple of days to realize...that GOD had bigger plans for him & that we will walk in the light of the lord with him soon and finally be able to understand why this came about. If any one had earned his way back home, by how he lived and touched so many lives, it was Keith. He and his family and friends will be engraved upon our hearts forever. Rest in Peace Our Brother and GOD bless !*

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**John Narug** - April 04, 2012 at 12:09 PM

RM

“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



Regina J Michalski - April 04, 2012 at 08:52 AM

BR

“ KEITH, THIS CANDLE IS FROM STACEY ERNST PAULUS PER HER DAD "RIP"



Bob Rae - April 03, 2012 at 08:25 PM

JB

“ 1 file added to the album *Keith will be so missed, he always had the biggest smile and always to be in such a good mood*



Judy Byerley - April 03, 2012 at 08:19 PM

SS

“ Sarah Scott lit a candle in memory of Keith F. Michalski



Sarah Scott - April 03, 2012 at 08:17 PM

SS

*Light up Corydon wont be the same witout you uncle kiki. You'll be missed by everyone.*

**Sarah Scott** - April 03, 2012 at 08:19 PM

BR

“ *Bob Rae lit a candle in memory of Keith F. Michalski*



**Bob Rae** - April 03, 2012 at 08:11 PM

TS

“ *My last memory of Keith is one I will always remember. When he walked up to Carol and Sparks on sunday he was amazed to see that I had driven all the way out there to ride with them. Of course in true Michalski fashion he greeted me with a big bear hug.*

*But the best part of the day was at lunch in between the jokes and silly banter when Keith got up and made a huge plate of desserts from the buffet which he then plopped down in front of me and said here you go I saved you the embarrassment of having to go back up for another plate! Leave it to a Michalski to always pick at your funny bone.*

*By the way I ate the dessert....Looking back its probably the best desssert I will ever eat! Thanks Keith.*

**Tom Slattery** - April 03, 2012 at 04:04 PM

BL

“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



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**Bobbi Jean Lynch** - April 03, 2012 at 03:07 PM

BL

*From Grandma Terry's FB page*

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**Bobbi Jean Lynch** - April 03, 2012 at 03:08 PM

CN

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Carol Narug** - April 03, 2012 at 02:37 PM

CN

*Keith was a very special person. Always smiling and laughing. He was a great friend to my family and will be missed very much. I am honored to say he was my friend.*

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**Carol Narug** - April 07, 2012 at 05:58 AM

MM

“ 1 file added to the album New Album Name



Melissa Miller - April 03, 2012 at 10:06 AM

RM

“ 5 files added to the album New Album Name



Regina J Michalski - April 03, 2012 at 07:51 AM

RM

*You will be truly missed by all... We love you so much and hate to see you go. May you catch all the fish that God has to offer and the weather is always the perfect riding weather. Love you and miss you already Uncle Keith ( KiKi) <3 Regina*

Regina J Michalski - April 03, 2012 at 07:54 AM

DM

*could not have put it any better honey*

debb michalski - April 03, 2012 at 12:08 PM

MM

“ I will definitely miss Keith's contagious laugh, he was a good man who was taken too soon. With deepest sympathy - Melissa Miller (Chief Industries)



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**Melissa Miller** - April 02, 2012 at 06:09 PM



*I will miss my brother from another mother dearly. So many things that Keith and I did over the last couple of years were the best years for me in a long time. Keith introduce me to his other brothers Kenny and Kevin and his son Michael. I was taken in with open arms. Along with meeting all of the people he rides with Jimmy, Sparky, Caroline, Nicky, Tommy , oh my so many people. But the memory was when Keith was talking to Sparky on Saturday night before our ride and Keith was telling John that I was over and going to spend the night at his place. Sparky said I don't know something like when you guys are done spooning I will see you both tomorrow. TO FUNNY. When I saw Caroline on Sunday at there home I made mention to that and told her you guys are were just to funny. The group wa always got a chuckle out of our close relationship anyway. Keith and i left the pack that day and went south stopped for a root beer float then went to my camper and drank 2 bottles of water before he headed out that Sunday night. He is a great guy and I like all you will miss him but we will never forget him. Bruce*

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**Bruce Desjarlais** - April 04, 2012 at 09:20 AM