



Mark Raymond Stokes, Sr.

January 4, 1953 - August 11, 2016

Mark Raymond Stokes, Sr., age 63, of Rensselaer passed away August 11, 2016 at his home. Mark was born in Rensselaer, Indiana on January 4, 1953, the son of Harold Raymond and Donna (Faris) Stokes. A lifetime resident, he attended Rensselaer Schools, receiving his GED.

Mark was a veteran of the United States Army. He was a retired machine operator, and was a member of the American Legion Post #29 and the Fraternal Order of Eagles #2548, both in Rensselaer. Mark enjoyed spending time with his friends and family at Parkview Apartments. He was an avid Green Bay Packers fan and enjoyed Sunday afternoon football, especially when the Packers beat the Bears.

Surviving are his children, Brooke Deaton of Hayward, Wisc., Mark Stokes, Jr. of Remington, Ind., Skipper (John) Austin of Rensselaer, Angela (Dre Travis) Stokes of Rensselaer, and Donna (Terry) Hontz of Ligonier, Ind., sixteen grandchildren, Alyssa Pritchard, Aleena Travis, Alex Deaton, James Deaton, Kobe, Karlee, Kori and Kenna Austin, Kyle and Drey Chalifoux, and Kane, Ryan, Markus, Kale, Kynedi and Jase Stokes, one great-grandchild, Savannah Wagner, his special friend, Donna and his "grand-dog" Ace. Mark was preceded in death by his parents, Raymond and Donna Stokes, one grandson, Tyler Chandler, his grandmother, Beulah Sutherlin and his pet Beagle, Bosco and his pet Chihuahua, Scooter.

Friends may visit with the family on Tuesday, August 16, 2016, from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. at the Crossview Worship Center, 305 E. Wood Road, Rensselaer.

Memorial services for Mark will be held Tuesday, August 16, 2016, at 11:00 a.m. at the Crossview Worship Center with Marty Lintner officiating. Memorials may be made to the family.

Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer has been entrusted with arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 16. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Crossview Worship Center
305 E. Wood Road
Rensselaer, IN 47978

Service

AUG 16. 11:00 AM (CT)

Crossview Worship Center
305 E. Wood Road
Rensselaer, IN 47978

Graveside Services

APR 14. 2:00 PM (CT)

Memory Gardens of Rensselaer
Memory Gardens
Rensselaer, IN 47978
(219) 866-5125
info@jacksonfuneral.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Mark and his mom will always hold a special place in my heart. Thoughts and prayers!* ”



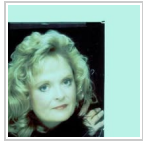
Linda Hughes - September 08, 2016 at 12:38 AM

TB

“ *Deepest condolences to all your family & friends...Godspeed old friend! I'll for sure be thinking of you when your GB Packers beat those Bears this year!* 😊💚💛🏈 ”



Tammy Bottoms - August 16, 2016 at 10:04 AM



“ *R.I.P. Mark, you were our family too!* ”



Melissa Taylor - August 16, 2016 at 06:56 AM

KF

“ *RIP YOU WILL BE MISSED*💔💔💔 ”



KENDRA FRALEY - August 15, 2016 at 11:34 PM

AF

“ Alan Faris, Nancy Lee, Janet Faris purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mark Raymond Stokes, Sr..



Alan Faris, Nancy Lee, Janet Faris - August 15, 2016 at 09:59 AM

LR

“ I PRAY GOD WILL COMFORT YOU ALL THROUGH THIS TIME. IVE KNOWN MARK AWHILE HE WAS A REALLY NICE GUY. LORETTA (TURNER) REECER

loretta reecer - August 15, 2016 at 09:17 AM

MT

“ R.I.P. Mark, you are missed! --- Melissa Taylor

Melissa Taylor - August 14, 2016 at 09:44 PM

MR

“ When I worked at Intec in Morocco, Indiana I met Mark. Mark and I were both living in Brook, Indiana at the time. I was had just gotten married and had gotten really sick. I didn't have very much energy and Mark came by my house every day to pick me up and drop me off. He was one of the kindest men I've ever met! I have a lot of very fond memories of him. He was always there when I needed help. RIP my wonderful friend!!! I'm keeping the family in my prayers!



Mrs Anna Ross - August 14, 2016 at 08:39 PM

CL

“ Carol Lakin lit a candle in memory of Mark Raymond Stokes, Sr.



Carol Lakin - August 14, 2016 at 08:20 PM

KF

“ Dear Family,
So sorry for your loss.
We are Thinking and Praying for All of You.
And Our Deepest Prayers go out for Mark
With Our Deepest Sympathy,
Kathy Hopp Whitaker & Family



Kathy Hopp Whitaker & Family - August 14, 2016 at 05:49 PM

DF

“ Dear Family,
We are so sorry to hear about Mark.. Such a terrible thing to happen.
Mark and I have been friends for over 50 years, I will miss him for sure.
He was always kind to me and a friend. I feel so bad for him.
Mark and his Family will be in "Our Thoughts and Prayers".
Thinking of "All Of You".
With Our Deepest Sympathy,
Debby Hopp Anderson & Family



Debby Hopp Anderson & Family - August 14, 2016 at 05:43 PM

CH

“ Cheryl Hornbeck lit a candle in memory of Mark Raymond Stokes, Sr.



Cheryl Hornbeck - August 14, 2016 at 05:02 PM

MF

“ Marvin Miller, Jr And Family lit a candle in memory of Mark Raymond Stokes, Sr.



Marvin Miller, Jr and family - August 14, 2016 at 02:12 PM

Angie Stokes

“ Angie Stokes lit a candle in memory of Mark Raymond Stokes, Sr.



Angie Stokes - August 14, 2016 at 02:05 PM

JF

“ The Faris 7, Christmas Eve 1958! From left to right: My sister Nancy, my brother Alan holding me, Mark holding our cousin Ron, and Ron's brother & sister, David and Kathy!



Jan Faris - August 14, 2016 at 11:52 AM

JF

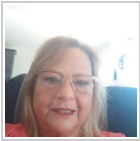
“ Sending all my thoughts and prayers to Stokes family. My memories will stay with me forever. Family gatherings at Grandma Faris' house (Christmas Eve was always the best), time spent on Lake Osakis when he'd come up with Aunt Donna and Uncle Ray, bumping into him in Rensselaer on visits home from MN. My heart will always have a special spot for him to stay with me. Miss you Mark, may you rest in internal peace forever.

Jan Faris - August 14, 2016 at 10:59 AM

AC

“ Prayers for the family. Mark was a student in 8th grade literature. He was very likable. Mrs. Jerry Chubb.

Ann. Chubb - August 13, 2016 at 06:44 PM



“ Mark worked for me at Holley's. He was sa great guy. Prayers for the family. He will be missed by many. 🙏🙏🙏 Judy Emerick and family.

Judy Pritchett Davis Emerick - August 13, 2016 at 03:04 PM

AS

Thank you Judy I always remember going in there with him when I was little!

Angie Stokes - August 25, 2016 at 10:14 PM

MR

“ Thinking & praying for Mark's family.



margo roberts - August 13, 2016 at 09:25 AM



Marsha Eilers

“ So sorry to learn about Mark. We had been friends since elementary school at Monnett. FaceBook let me reconnect with Mark. So glad I did and so sorry he is gone. My thoughts and sympathy are with the family.

Marsha Eilers - August 12, 2016 at 10:50 PM



“ Many of u might recall several memories with Mark with him using these two words. "Bring it". I know I do but would like to here other stories.

Terry Hontz - August 12, 2016 at 06:22 PM

JF

“ Jan Faris lit a candle in memory of Mark Raymond Stokes, Sr.



Jan Faris - August 11, 2016 at 09:45 PM

AM

“ Amanda lit a candle in memory of Mark Raymond Stokes, Sr.



Amanda - August 11, 2016 at 09:27 PM

AK

So sorry for the loss of your dad. Prayers to all of you and the rest of the family and friends.

Amanda Kerkes - August 11, 2016 at 09:36 PM

RH

“ *Rich & Dale Huhn lit a candle in memory of Mark Raymond Stokes, Sr.*



Rich & Dale Huhn - August 11, 2016 at 07:56 PM

RH

“ *Angie, so saddened to hear about the loss of your Dad. Mark was well known and loved by many people of our community. He will be greatly missed.*

Rich & Dale Huhn - August 11, 2016 at 07:54 PM

SC

“ *Prayers for you family Skipper, may God give you and your family the strength to get through this time 🙏*



Sami Callaway - August 11, 2016 at 06:21 PM

DP

e never think the ones we love will be gone so soon... I kept telling myself I'm going to go back to see Mark and I'm so heart broken as his family that chance to Reminisce and share old times is gone. if only... Mark I hope and pray that your place at our Lords side allows you to feel all the love being sent your way!

dennis platt - August 11, 2016 at 07:17 PM

CB

“ So sorry for your families loss, Mark was a good man and well liked.
Christy Bowman
Remington



christy bowman - August 11, 2016 at 06:19 PM

DW

“ We are so sorry for the loss of your Dad and the loss of our friend may Mark R.I.P. now keeping you all in our thoughts and prayers.



Dave & Becky (Ulm) Walter - August 11, 2016 at 06:19 PM

PW

“ Mark was my first love and remained my best friend till the end. I will miss you dear friend but I know you are with Jesus now and he has made you whole again. You left me with a lot of memories and I will never forget you.

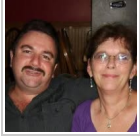


Phyllis Madison Wilson - August 11, 2016 at 05:07 PM

PM

“ What a blessing to call him a friend. Sending lots of love and prayers to his family.

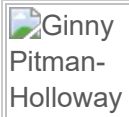
Patricia Mattocks - August 11, 2016 at 04:50 PM



“ *I have so many wonderful memories of a young Mark, when he was married to my sister Phyllis. May He Rest in Peace. Prayers for the family.*



Christine Kelley - August 11, 2016 at 04:28 PM



“ *So sorry for your family's loss. Keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers* ❤️



Ginny Pitman-Holloway - August 11, 2016 at 04:24 PM



“ *Sorry for our loss of your Dad my he RIP*



Betty Pritchard - August 11, 2016 at 03:38 PM