



William Mark Van Soest

December 15, 1964 - February 20, 2016

William Mark Van Soest, age 51, of DeMotte, IN passed away on Saturday, February 20, 2016 at the Horton VNA Hospice in Valparaiso, IN. Mark was born on December 15, 1964 in Valparaiso, the son of William "Bill" and Mary (DeVries) Van Soest, both are living.

Mark was a lifetime resident of DeMotte. He was a graduate of Kankakee Valley High School, class of 1983. Marks previous marriages and mother's of his children were Sharon (John) Shanahan of Valparaiso, IN & Amy Van Soest of DeMotte. Mark was employed with Belstra Milling INC as a Plant Production Manager for 19 years. He served on the Keener Twp Volunteer Fire Department for 15 years and enjoyed grilling for Yesteryears. Mark was a member of the First Reformed Church in DeMotte and had served on the church consistory. Mark enjoyed gardening, fishing, trapping and splitting wood.

Mark is survived by his loving children, William Craig (Lauren) Van Soest of Mt. Pleasant, NC, Bradley Van Soest, Holly Van Soest and Jenna Van Soest all of DeMotte; grandchildren, William Thomas "Tommy" Van Soest and Owen Bradlee; parents, William "Bill" & Mary Ann Van Soest of DeMotte; sister, Kathryn (Ed) Tillema of Wheatfield, IN, brother, John (Starla) Van Soest of DeMotte; two aunts; two uncles.

Mark was preceded in death by one aunt.

Friends may visit at the Jackson Funeral Service in DeMotte, IN from 2-8 PM on Friday, February 26, 2016. A Funeral Service will be held at 10:30 AM on Saturday, February 27, 2016 at the First Reformed Church of DeMotte with Pastor John Huff officiating. Interment will be held at the Holland Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Keener Township Volunteer Fire Department.

Cemetery Details

Holland Cemetery

Holland Cemetery
DeMotte, IN 46310

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **26**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Service of DeMotte
200 3rd Street, SW
P.O. Box 681
DeMotte, IN 46310
(219) 987-5300
info@jacksonfuneral.com
<https://www.jacksonfuneral.com>

Service

FEB **27**. 10:30 AM (CT)

First Church
5387 W State Road 10
Wheatfield, IN 46392
(219) 987-5156
<http://www.first.church>

Tribute Wall



“ *Jackson Funeral Chapels created a Tribute Video in memory of William Mark Van Soest*



Jackson Funeral Chapels - February 23, 2016 at 11:23 AM

RR

“ *Richard & Nancy Rhoades lit a candle in memory of William Mark Van Soest*



Richard & Nancy Rhoades - February 24, 2016 at 10:42 AM

PM

“ *So very sad to hear about the passing of Mark. He was such a caring man. Praying for peace for the family at this time.*

Peggy and Greg Michelin

peggy michelin - February 24, 2016 at 10:05 AM



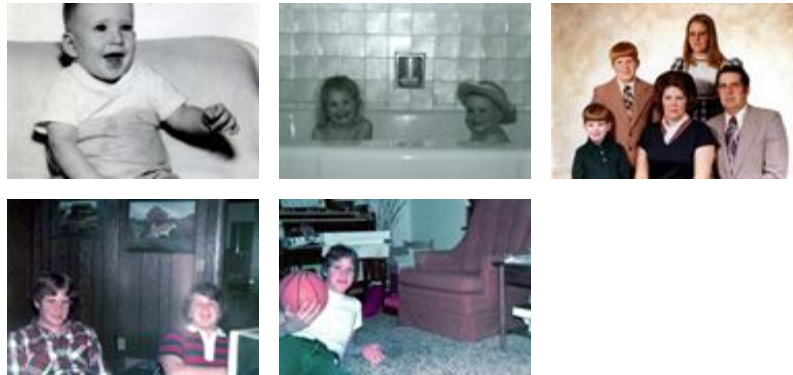
“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of William Mark Van Soest.



February 23, 2016 at 07:21 PM



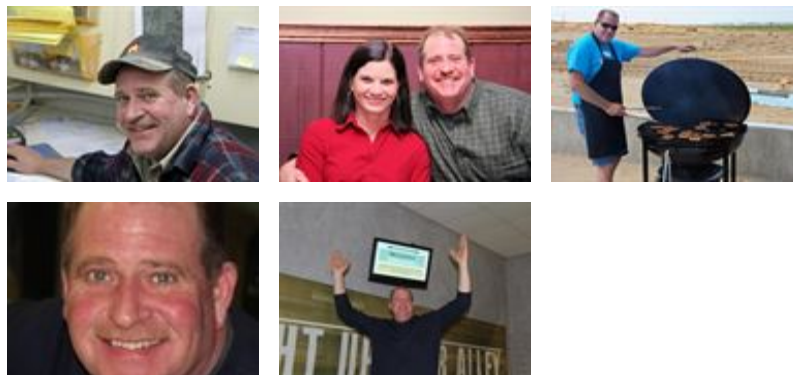
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Jackson Funeral Chapels - February 23, 2016 at 11:05 AM



“ 9 files added to the album Life Tributes



Jackson Funeral Chapels - February 23, 2016 at 09:02 AM

BT

“ *Mark will be missed by many in our community, but not forgotten. He had a great sense of humor, was very kind and caring. Bruce and I enjoyed many great times with Mark when we volunteered together with the youth group from our church. Mark loved the kids and we always had a great time, especially sledding in Michigan.* ”

Bruce & Dawn Toppen - February 23, 2016 at 07:44 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of William Mark Van Soest.* ”



February 22, 2016 at 06:39 PM

PH

“ *Paula Wireman Hoffman lit a candle in memory of William Mark Van Soest* ”



Paula Wireman Hoffman - February 22, 2016 at 04:17 PM

PH

Prayers for all of Marks family and friends. God Bless and R.I.P.

Paula Wireman Hoffman - February 22, 2016 at 04:18 PM

WS

May Our God give His peace and comfort to the family of Mark.

Wayne Swanson - February 22, 2016 at 07:34 PM

CW

Been keeping all in prayers--My heart is heavy with Mark's passing. A lot of memories from our High School years.... You will be missed, Mark.....

Christine Grube Worthley - February 22, 2016 at 08:11 PM

JM

My deepest sympathies and prayers are with you.....many fond memories of gatherings spent at the farms when all of us cousins were young.....

Julie McNeill - February 23, 2016 at 07:24 AM

TM

“ Mark will be missed dearly. May his memory be a blessing to all those he knew.

Once a Kougar - Always a Kougar.

Tina and Anthony Morris - February 22, 2016 at 04:08 PM



 Ginny Pitman-Holloway

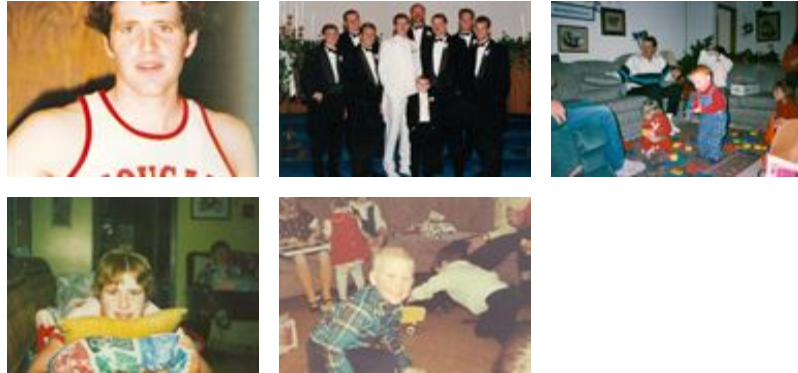
“ So very sorry Holly and Jenna for your loss. Sending thoughts and prayers to you and your family.

Ginny Pitman-Holloway - February 22, 2016 at 03:25 PM





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Jackson Funeral Chapels - February 22, 2016 at 03:22 PM



“ God Bless You Mark, We have fought a lot of fires and cooked a lot of pork chops together over the many years. I have had the pleasure of knowing you as a brother fireman and a good friend you will be missed Sympathies and Condolences to your family..... Tom and Kris Tognarelli

Tom Tognarelli - February 22, 2016 at 12:42 PM



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Lisa Van Kley - February 22, 2016 at 12:38 PM

LK

“ *Lisa Van Kley lit a candle in memory of
William Mark Van Soest*



Lisa Van Kley - February 22, 2016 at 12:33 PM