

Bob A. Williams

February 24, 1967 - January 23, 2013

Bob A. Williams, 45, a lifetime Rush County resident, passed away Wednesday evening, January 23, 2013 at his home in Raleigh after fighting a courageous battle with cancer. He was born on February 24, 1967 in Rushville to Samuel R. & Donna (Wesley) Williams. He married Katrina Ann Rains on July 21, 1990 and she passed away on January 21, 2003. He married Natoshia Frost on September 12, 2009 and she survives.

Bob was a 1986 graduate of Rushville Consolidated High School. He drove several years for Ferguson Trucking and had most recently worked as a heavy equipment operator for the State of Indiana. He was a member of the Pioneer Engineer's Club of Rush County and had been a fireman several years with Raleigh Fire Dept. where he was a past officer. Bob enjoyed International Harvester tractors, was an avid fan of NHRA & believed in his 2nd Amendment rights.

In addition to his wife, Natoshia of Raleigh, Bob is survived by his grandmother, Marjorie Wesley of Raleigh, a son, Ezra Stearns of Raleigh, daughters, Mendy & husband Justin Rose of Fayette County and Desstani Stearns of Raleigh, a brother, Brian & wife Krissi Williams of Rush County, a twin sister, Barb & husband Ron Cameron of Rush County, grandchildren, Nevada & Justin Rose, Jr. Bob was preceded in death by his parents and 1st wife Katrina.

Services will be held at 11 AM Monday, January 28 at Moster Mortuary, Rushville, where friends are welcome to visit on Sunday from 2-6PM. Tony

Augsburger will preside and burial will be in the Raleigh Cemetery. The Raleigh Fire Department will provide an Honor Guard.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Donor's Favorite Charity.

Tribute Wall



“ *Bob A. Williams*

January 28, 2023 at 12:19 PM



“ *How can such a simple man do so much to help so many? You need to look no farther then the heart of Bobby Allen Williams. Hewas the first to offer help and usually the last to leave. He was more worried about helping others than he was about his own situation. As a very young man he talked to everyone, and he really wanted to know what you were doing and who you were. He asked questions about everything and over the years he learned so much. The knowledge he gained by talking allowed him to help and to comfort others as they ran into walls in thier lives. It may have been a car not working or a relationship that needed mending, Bob was willing to listen and offer help.*

That reminds me of another great individual in this worlds past. A man who would talk to anyone and would help all who needed it. Now I am not saying Bob is just like this man, but many of his attributes mirror this man. Christ is the man that lived a life that Bob chose to live like.

To help another human is Godly and Bob helped so many in his 45+ years. This I know God was proud of. May we all find it in our hearts to help someone before our days come to a close.

Thank you Bob for being a great example of the compassion and love that Christ has demonstarted to others.

a friend - March 03, 2013 at 07:19 PM

TC

“ You are a Williams I am a Lamb so much in common conceived by the same man. We knew each other not, but it still really hurts we will never know one another here on this earth.

Someday my brother you will see, we are family you and me. We will walk as sibling this I am sure. So brother make a place for me, and be patient, i will be there someday for you to see. We will be family you and me.

Zakry, Matthew, and Rachel
LAMB

the lamb children - February 01, 2013 at 09:14 PM

PP

“ Bob, What a great guy you were. We met freshman year, I will never forget all the memories and i will cherish them forever. I am sure more than ever that you are here watching over your family and friends and i know we will see each other again, only God knows when - But for the World of Rush County you have left a void in so many people, you see it on their faces, you read it on facebook and i am sure you can hear the hearts cry. Until we meet again my friend, ((HUGS))

Penny (Love) Pike

Penny (Love) Pike - January 30, 2013 at 08:09 AM

PP

“ Penny (Love) Pike lit a candle in memory of Bob A. Williams



Penny (Love) Pike - January 30, 2013 at 07:43 AM

BH

“ *Bill And Beth Holman lit a candle in memory of Bob A. Williams*



Bill and Beth Holman - January 29, 2013 at 11:57 AM



“ *Shari Cameron lit a candle in memory of Bob A. Williams*



Shari Cameron - January 29, 2013 at 05:56 AM



Such an amazing man. R.I.P. Bob !!!

Shari Cameron - January 29, 2013 at 05:58 AM

CP

“ *Cindy Parker lit a candle in memory of Bob A. Williams*



Cindy Parker - January 28, 2013 at 07:15 AM

CP

Bobby was one of the sweetest employees at INDOT ever! He was a testament of how we should all face difficult obstacles in our lives. He gave it all he had and then some..... You will be missed but I know God has a purpose for you in his kingdom.

Cindy Parker - January 28, 2013 at 07:25 AM

DF

“ *David Fletcher lit a candle in memory of Bob A. Williams*



David Fletcher - January 28, 2013 at 07:03 AM

LS

“ *Luther And Sydney lit a candle in memory of Bob A. Williams*



luther and sydney - January 28, 2013 at 06:51 AM



“ Bob,

I have missed you for many years. In my travels back to Indiana, I attempted, but never made contact with you... you were always with a friend.

As kids we raced Tonka trucks down the steps and played in the sand pit in the back yard. We dreamed about big block Chevys, Harley Davidson motorcycles, and going to Tractor pulls. If it wasn't an "SS" it wasn't good enough. I remember you going to Winchester Speedway with us to see an ASA race. That was and still is one of my favorite memories of life and knowing you. We had so much fun that day. Cruising around Rushville and meeting ALL of your friends was a blast as well.

I was so jealous of you as you were friends with everyone and had something in common with everyone else.

There were days I thought you were BS'in, but I could never prove it. I marveled at the amount of knowledge you had about cars at such a young age.

You proved that when you helped me put two Buicks together to make one that worked. I couldn't believe that you lifted the transmission up from your chest and held it in place while I put the bolts in it. You said you could do it, and I was just scared you would get hurt. That wasn't your concern; you only wanted my car to run. Thank you, it ran just fine.

Your impact on my life is immeasurable as I just need to look no farther than the faces of my kids. If you don't take me to Lewisville that snowy evening so many years back, none of them would be here today. I most definitely would have taken a different direction in life and it all would be different. That choice to make that little trip is the single most important journey I have made, with the exception of my choice to accept Jesus as my Savior.

The road had been rocky at times but Oh So Worth It as my kids are the reason I live today. You and God gave them to me Bob.

You taught me how to do Kentucky Burn Outs way back when you had the Gremlin. I first heard the phrase "Cool Beans" from you, and then everyone across this country started saying it. You helped me understand that over revving the engine in my dad's car could be very costly in parts and in lost trust from my dad. Hanging out with you allowed the prettiest girl, other than your sister, (MG) in Rush County to give me a kiss. I was so naïve to life and you helped to explain some of those things to me. You understood the things I had never been exposed to living where I did. Like the first time I saw you flip Medford Scott the Bird, I about died. Then you just chuckled and said, "That's how we say Hi around here".

I always loved when you got a new/used vehicle, as you would take it over to Grandma Margie to have her Bless it. You told me back then you believed there was someone out there. It sounds like you found out who it is. I was so happy to hear my brother tell me of your faith in God and Jesus to see you through this battle... a battle you didn't lose.

You have gained the first hand relationship with Christ that we all await and long for. I can't wait to meet my Lord and Savior Jesus face to face, and then to hug my Bob-a-roo.

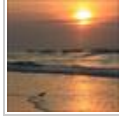
I love you Bob, see you someday soon...

"Milton" 01-23-1967 - January 27, 2013 at 11:57 PM



thanks for the awesome words!! i am glad he was a good friend to you !!

Barbara Cameron - January 30, 2013 at 10:31 AM



Barb, On a day that was to be a happy day for me I left it after a mixed bag of emotions. He was more than just a friend to me. I looked at him as a brother. He helped me to grow up and see the world in a better way.

He was good at keeping troubles to himself while helping others work through theirs.

He loved anyone who gave him a chance.

Thirteen years ago this month I saw him the last time. I have tried often to make contact, but it was not to be.

I don't understand all of God's plan, but I trust it is perfect. So when I did go to sleep the day he crossed over to be with God, I was at peace. When I cross over, I want to see Jesus, and Bob right there next to him.

I know I will see Bob again. He will be serving "Cool Beans" and passing out Gentle Giant Hugs all over heaven. I will get my hugs then, God knows I need one now. I miss him... I miss you. Give Goober a hug for me. I love you all...

Kiss Margie for me too. Have her pray for me... I need it.

"Milton" 01-23-1967 - February 04, 2013 at 10:29 PM

KB

“ *Bob, I will miss your beautiful smile and wonderful laugh that could always brighten a room and cheer me up. Love you!!*

Kathy Brown - January 26, 2013 at 01:21 PM

BW

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



brandon williams - January 25, 2013 at 10:11 PM

CG

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



Cheryl Glaspy - January 25, 2013 at 08:30 PM

BW

“ *Bob... I love you so much, you were a great guy. I miss you so much. You will be greatly missed from everyone. You helped shape me into the person I am today and I thank you. You always put a smile on everyone's face. I love you and do not ever forget that!*

Brandon Williams - January 25, 2013 at 08:28 PM

PS

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



Pam Schoff - January 25, 2013 at 04:42 PM

JB

“ *Heaven is going to be a happier place, with your sense of humor. I know we will it here on earth. Gods speed Bobby you will be missed.*

John Bass - January 25, 2013 at 04:36 PM

BL

“ *Becky Lehman lit a candle in memory of Bob A. Williams*



Becky Lehman - January 25, 2013 at 04:27 PM

JP

“ *Jim Pickering lit a candle in memory of Bob A. Williams*



Jim Pickering - January 25, 2013 at 03:35 PM

TF

“ *Tom And Amy Bement And Family lit a candle in memory of Bob A. Williams*



Tom and Amy Bement and family - January 25, 2013 at 02:55 PM

GF

“ *Greg And Nicky Boyer And Family lit a candle in memory of Bob A. Williams*



Greg and Nicky Boyer and family - January 25, 2013 at 02:53 PM

DB

“ *Doug & Debbie Briar lit a candle in memory of Bob A. Williams*



Doug & Debbie Briar - January 25, 2013 at 02:50 PM

MR

“ *Mike Rehme lit a candle in memory of Bob A. Williams*



mike rehme - January 25, 2013 at 01:09 PM

TW

“ *Tom And Shirley(Barber) Walters lit a candle in memory of Bob A. Williams*



Tom and Shirley(Barber) Walters - January 25, 2013 at 12:44 PM



“ Bobby was a great person! He always had a smile for everyone that he met. His laugh was so infectious and it was great to hear. He could cheer you up without hardly even trying. He will definitely be missed!! Just remember all the happy times and wonderful memories. Bobby will live on in those. Just know that he is all better now and watching over his family as their very special guardian angel now.

Angie (Cox) Crone

Angie Crone - January 25, 2013 at 11:43 AM

RC

“ Rodney & Nola Rains (Katrina's Cousin) lit a candle in memory of Bob A. Williams



Rodney & Nola Rains (Katrina's cousin) - January 25, 2013 at 09:13 AM

VK

“ My favorite memories of Bobby are from elementary school. He was just so fun-loving and happy. You couldn't ask for a better friend. Even back then he was always thinking of others.

Vanessa ketchum - January 25, 2013 at 07:43 AM

TG

“ I didn't know Bob very well because I just got to meet Bob recently (seems like it was just last week), but we shared some discussions about experiencing life (with cancer), to be very grateful for each and every day we have here on earth with family, friends, co-workers, and even stopping and talking to a stranger who looks like they could use a kind word. He always had a smile on his face and an upbeat attitude about life, never letting it take his spirits down, and always showing concern for others even while he was in personal pain. He will forever be remembered for that spirit. May the perpetual light of Christ our Lord and Savior shine upon you and bless you and your family now and forever.

From "How Life Is Measured" by an unknown author, the last few lines say "_Take notice of something special you see... today.", and each and every day, and "...Don't cry because it's over; smile because it happened. _Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away."

*Thanks Bob,
Teresa (a co-worker)*

Teresa Gray - January 25, 2013 at 07:42 AM

SJ

“ Scott And Anita Jackson lit a candle in memory of Bob A. Williams



Scott and Anita Jackson - January 25, 2013 at 07:04 AM

SJ

From Scott and Anita: There are not enough words to express our condolences to the Williams family on the loss of this wonderful man. Heaven is richer today with his presence.

Scott and Anita Jackson - January 25, 2013 at 07:08 AM

LJ

our condolences goes out to the Williams family bob was a good man he will be missed he was a good neighbor

Lauri Jackson - January 25, 2013 at 07:44 AM



“ *Mary Reynolds lit a candle in memory of Bob A. Williams*



Mary Reynolds - January 25, 2013 at 06:37 AM

TB

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



tim boyd - January 25, 2013 at 05:47 AM

TB

Bob with me and Brian E. after coming to pull me out of the mud... sometime in the early hours of the morning... i could always count on him when i needed someone... he was like a big brother to me... love ya bro.... really gonna miss ya...

tim boyd - January 25, 2013 at 05:55 AM

WC

“ To all the family, Bobby was a GREAT kid and I say kid because, I watched Bobby and Barbara and Brian grow up. Through the tough times and the good times he always had a wonderful outlook on life and I believe he enjoyed his life and family to the fullest. He's in a good place now and we are all better for having known him. Love and condolences to all. Wanda Copley



Wanda Copley - January 25, 2013 at 05:15 AM

BC

thanks Wanda... he thought alot of you ... you are a very special lady in our lives.. We all have been richly blessed by him...

Barbara Cameron - January 25, 2013 at 03:56 PM

LC

“ Lori Rains Christian lit a candle in memory of Bob A. Williams



Lori Rains Christian - January 25, 2013 at 01:34 AM

JL

“ IH fan I'm not, but I had many good talks with Bobby about pulling, and they all came back to a MM he use to own. I don't know whatever happened to his old minny, but I know I'll think of him and the stories he told of his U every time I push that clutch lever forward.

You will be missed!

Joe Leising - January 24, 2013 at 11:30 PM

TS

“ being at bob and tosha's camo wedding it was so bob and the look on his face when we unveiled his gun cabinet made by steve barnes. bob was a great guy and always workin on some project in the garage. he well be missed

ted stevens - January 24, 2013 at 11:07 PM

TS

“ Bob williams... I cant even begin to describe him. There is just so much to say. But he was a great man and a fantastic person.I remember when i was younger all the nights just hanging in his shop and talking to him about everything from just him crackin jokes to talking about cars and teaching me a thing or two about them. Him and katrina always being kind to me when everyone else wasnt. Those are the memories that stick the most.I will always remember you and i wish i could have talked to you at least one more time. You were always a wonderful neighbor. Goodbye and i will miss you. Until i see you on the other side buddy.

Tony Sebastian - January 24, 2013 at 11:06 PM

SC

“ What an amazing man. He had such a profound impact on my life, both with his humor and his courage.

Scotty Cameron - January 24, 2013 at 10:40 PM

CG

“ Bobby was such a wonderful, caring, sweet guy that would do anything for you. He was always there to help in any way that he could. You will be greatly missed by everyone that knew you! My thoughts and prayers go out to all of your family.

Carrie Glass - January 24, 2013 at 07:21 PM

AE

“ Bob, You were such a dear sweet man. Everyone whose life you touched was blessed. You will be greatly missed and the world will forever be changed. You Never Gave Up and for that we are all in such awe. I love you Bob and God has definitely gained a wonderful Angel. Please hug all of those that have gone before you and we will see you again one day. Sending many thoughts and prayers to all of those who are so deeply touched by this loss. Love to his family.

Anita Engle - January 24, 2013 at 06:20 PM

FS

“ SO glad I got to meet Bob and have even just the small amount of time I did when I was last in Indiana. He came from a great family and I know he will be missed and loved. X

Freya Sidebottom - January 24, 2013 at 06:14 PM

SM

“ Bobby I met you when I was waiting for my brother in law to have his radiation treatment at Shelbyville. You and your wife always spoke when you came into the room. You have both left this world for something better now. You have answered the Final Alarm and went to the Big Fire House in the Heavens. May you Rest In Peace.



Scott Medd

Scott Medd - January 24, 2013 at 06:05 PM

SH

“ Bobby has been a friend of mine since early elementary years at Mays. Always enjoyed your huge hugs and wonderful smile. May you enjoy your new found freedom free of pain and may you watch over all of your loved ones. May your family find peace in knowing you are free from pain and will see them one day again. Our earthly hearts will for hurt from you passing and our faith assures us that we will see you again some day. Prayers will continue for strength for your family.

Susan Houston - January 24, 2013 at 05:46 PM

WW

I have known Bobby since Mays also. He was the first guy I ever slow danced with. It was our sixth grade graduation our parents put on. Bobby will be missed. My heart and prayers go out to the family.

Wendy Smith Workman - January 25, 2013 at 06:20 PM

TK

“ 1 file added to the album New Album Name



Tony Keith - January 24, 2013 at 05:29 PM

TK

The day I took this he was wanting to drive it so bad... I will miss you at the pulls. Tony Keith

Tony Keith - January 24, 2013 at 05:30 PM

BC

thank you Tony for this picture..it was truly his love!! any thing that had wheels & could go FAST!!!

Barbara Cameron - January 24, 2013 at 06:01 PM

AL

If it had a steering wheel and a shifter, Bob was Hot to light the wick!!! I love you Bob....

aly28alx10 - February 04, 2013 at 10:35 PM

KK

“ *bobby great father brother husband son grandson and friend always there when needed no complaints if he had pain he would try not to show it he love life too the end and fought to the end . love you Bobby you were a great friend and glad that i had the opportunity to have you in my life .you will never be forgotten and hope one day we will meet again .. maybe at a drag strip in the sky god bless this great young man*

kenny ketchum - January 24, 2013 at 03:53 PM

DB

He'll always be Bobaroonie to me, I've called him that from the get go. When he was little and got into any trouble he always said "Debbie did it"! We're all going to miss that big hug he always gave, his smile, and his laugh. His determination and courage is an inspiration for all of us. We do know he's in a far better place, out of pain, and with his beloved Katrina, his mother Donna (or Weezie as I used to call her), his grandpa Earl and other loved ones that have passed before him. We will all miss him and keep his family in our prayers.

Debbie Briar - January 25, 2013 at 06:54 AM