



Mark W. Pickering

November 17, 1953 - October 27, 2017

Mark W. Pickering, 63, a Center Twp., Rush County area resident, formerly of Lewisville, Indiana, passed away October 27, 2017 in Rushville, Indiana. He was born November 17, 1953 in New Castle to George W. & Elsie (Wicker) Pickering. Mark was a 1972 graduate of Tri High & obtained his BS from Purdue University in 1976 where he was a member of the Farm House Fraternity. Mark married Sandra Kay McIntosh on August 11, 1984 and she survives.

Mark farmed his entire life in Rush & Henry Counties. He raised Hampshire hogs and formerly operated Pickering Seed Company. He enjoyed spending time with his family, fishing and riding many miles of trails with his mule Shorty.

He was a longtime member of the Ebenezer Presbyterian Church where he served as past Elder & Deacon. Mark was a 40+ year member of the Lewisville Masonic Lodge #72 F&AM where he was Past Master and Master Mason. He was also a member of Scottish York Rite, FFA, 4H, American & Indiana Seed Trade Associations, Purdue Block & Bridal, Purdue Livestock Judging and enjoyed judging hog shows.

In addition to his wife, Sandy, of Knightstown, he is survived by a son, Ross Mahlon Pickering (Kaylee Yager) of Knightstown, daughters, Kathleen M. Hardin (Ryan Gardner) of Rushville and Rachel Ann (Greg) Amos of Rushville, a sister, Ava Jane Pickering of Salt Lake City, UT and granddaughters, Harper & Cora Amos. In addition to his parents, Mark was

preceded in death by a sister, Eva Jean Pickering.

Services will be held at 11 AM Saturday, November 4, 2017 at Moster Mortuary, Rushville, Indiana, with Pastor John Wall & Rev. Jeremy Gries presiding. Friends are welcome to visit at the mortuary from 4-8 PM Friday evening, November 3. Masonic Services will be held at 7:45 PM Friday evening. Burial will be in the Lewisville Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to The Indiana Chapter of the Huntington's Disease Society of America.

Tribute Wall



“ *Mark W. Pickering*

January 28, 2023 at 12:19 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mark W. Pickering.*



November 03, 2017 at 08:51 AM



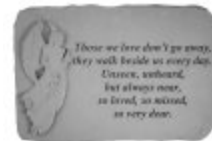
“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mark W. Pickering.*



November 02, 2017 at 02:49 PM



“ *Garden Accent - "Those we love don't go away..." was purchased for the family of Mark W. Pickering.*



November 02, 2017 at 02:47 PM

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“ *Mark made a great impression on all of us at Ebenezer Presbyterian Church and the South Henry community. He was beloved as a friend and leader. We will miss him.*

May the love of family and friends comfort the family and strengthen in the days ahead.

Rev. Arthur & Ruth Whitaker

Whitakers - November 02, 2017 at 02:00 PM



“ *We are thankful to have known Mark as a classmate and friend. He was always such a nice person. Tony and I send our condolences to the family. So sorry. Tony and Pam Williams*

Pamela Williams - October 31, 2017 at 06:58 AM

CT

“ My heartfelt sympathy goes out to Sandy, Rachel, Katie & Ross. I roomed with Mark his senior year at FarmHouse. We created so many memories together while in FarmHouse. I had the special pleasure of meeting both of his parents, George and Elsie. They were both such down to earth, genuine people, you couldn't help but love them, Their son was no different. We both shared a love for livestock judging, a vocation Mark took to much higher accolades than myself. I remember going with Mark back to Lewisville to see their purchase of the Champion Hampshire boar at the Type Conference which was bred by Reuben Edwards in Missouri. We had so many discussions about agriculture and life in general. Mark taught me many lessons which have helped form who I am today. He was in my wedding party and made me so nervous about what kind of prank my frat brothers were going to pull on me that day, that I literally left home for the church without my tux and had to go back and get it! I know the Huntington's Disease had to be a dreadful trial for both he and his family to endure, but Praise the Lord the suffering is over. Mark impacted so many lives through his acquaintances over the years and his legacy will live on through his wife, his children and all of us!

Craig Tucker
New Liberty, IA
FarmHouse Fraternity 1974
DVM Purdue 1979

Craig Tucker - October 30, 2017 at 10:23 PM



“ I Have You In My Heart Plush Blanket was purchased for the family of Mark W. Pickering.



October 30, 2017 at 05:43 PM

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“ My utmost sympathy to the Pickering family. I always enjoyed working the summers for Mark and the Pickering Seed Corn Company. He always wanted better than good in his seed production. Our thought and prayers go out to everyone in the family and friends. Well done, good and faithful servant.

Mick - October 30, 2017 at 07:31 AM

JF

“ Mark and I were room mates in FarmHouse Fraternity my last semester at Purdue. There was always a lively discussion about farming, hogs and seed corn. We always referred to him as either "Pick" or "Willard" (his middle name). I would threaten him with a severe beating if I caught him stealing clean underwear from my drawer. He never did his own laundry, he took it home and his sisters did it for him. Mark was a great brother and lots of fun memories from that time in our lives. Rest well dear brother, your suffering is over and you are healed.....

J. Lewis Fox
Cyclone, IN
FarmHouse Fraternity 1971
Purdue Ag. 1974

J. Lewis Fox - October 29, 2017 at 07:59 PM