



Philip G. Darnell

September 29, 1949 - October 21, 2023

Philip G. Darnell, 74, Pangburn, Arkansas, formerly of Rushville, passed away October 21, 2023 in Little Rock, Arkansas. Phil was born September 29, 1949 in Rushville, IN to the late Kenneth G. Darnell and Frances Theresa (Bishop) Darnell. Phil was a 1968 graduate of Rushville High School. He attended Indiana Barber School and was a licensed barber. Phil married Charlene (Allen) Tackett September 16, 2017. They were once sweethearts in 1968 and went their separate ways only to reconnect. Phil was a hard worker with employment at Detroit Steel in Morristown and retiring from Knauf Insulation in Shelbyville. Phil's greatest passion was the love of his classic cars. His red Ford convertible was his pride and joy. Phil had several cars from coupes to roadsters and everything in between. He once even had a motorcycle. (He preferred 4 wheels instead of 2.) He was always looking for something different and a challenge to work on. After moving to Arkansas where he found among his love for cars, he began woodworking. He made Charlene several wooden items. He made each of his siblings a personal birdhouse that will always be treasured. He was always looking for a challenge of what he could create. After reconnecting with Charlene, Phil reconnected with his Faith. Charlene brought him back from darkness to the light of eternity. Phil loved God, his family and life.

Phil is survived by his wife Charlene, Pangburn, Arkansas, brother, David (Diane) Darnell of Fishers, sister, Becky Riley of Rushville, Martha (Dick) Knecht of Greenfield, Rosie (Jack) Rummel of Glenwood and Mary (Ron)

Griffin of Rushville, son, Jared Tackett of Arkansas, grandchildren, Abbi, Gus and Cooper Tackett, great grandson, Cross Marshall and great granddaughter, Delilah Saige. Also surviving are several nieces and nephews. Phil was preceded in death by his parents, nieces, Caroline (Dickson) Newkirk and Angela (Rummel) Eckstein

A celebration of life will be held from 2:00 to 3:00 pm June 29, 2024 at the Rushville Elks Lodge with Pastor Jeff Edwards and Darius Allen Presiding.

Previous Events

Celebration of life service

JUN **29**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Rushville Elk's Lodge

Tribute Wall



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Greg Raike - June 26, 2024 at 10:53 AM

DB

“ *Danny Bennett lit a candle in memory of Philip G. Darnell*



Danny Bennett - June 24, 2024 at 09:58 PM

LJ

“ *Prayers to the family. Knew Phil for a long long time. Worked with him at Detroit Steel and had some great times. He was a legend in his own way in Rville. May God rest his soul.*



Lewis W Lee Jr. - June 24, 2024 at 12:21 PM

RC

“ *Ron D Cameron lit a candle in memory of Philip G. Darnell*



Ron D Cameron - June 14, 2024 at 08:28 AM

BF

“ So sorry to hear of Phil’s passing. When he lived in Rushville he was a good customer and friend. When we had a decorating contest in my store he loaned us an old car grill for our front window. He was a nice man who would help any that needed it. So sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are wi5h you all.

Gary Hadler, Brenda Freeman

Brenda Freeman - June 14, 2024 at 07:53 AM