



Ivan Curtis Ivins

November 16, 1938 - April 13, 2015

Mr. Ivan Curtis Ivins, of Pomona, passed away on Monday, April 13, 2015 while at home surrounded by love and family. He was born on Wednesday, November 16, 1938, at home in Marlton, New Jersey, to James G. and Alice (Foulk) Ivins. He was 76 years old when he lost his life after a hard fought battle with liver cancer.

Ivan was the last of three sons born to Jim and Alice. He graduated from Riverside High School, Riverside, New Jersey, with the class of 1958. While in High School, he was a multi-sport, state-ranked, star athlete, but his real love was Rosalie Ann Marcelli, also in the class of 1958. On October 15, 1960, Ivan and Rosalie were married at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Riverside, New Jersey. To this union, four children were born. Ivan and Rosalie lived in Medford, then Riverside, and finally Marlton, New Jersey. Ivan was a carpenter during this time in their lives.

In the late 1970s, after much family discussion and research, they decided to put their house up for sale and follow friends who had moved to Missouri. The family finally left New Jersey in the late summer of 1979. At first, they settled in Willow Springs where Ivan became a truck driver, a profession he continued until months before his death, driving for FMC Transport in Willow Springs for the last twelve years of his life. During this time he built a house in Pomona, where Rosalie currently resides and Ivan spent his last days. Ivan had many

enjoyments in his life, such as morning coffee with friends, carpentry, watching sports, and most importantly his family. He loved the time he spent with his four children, twelve grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren. He will be greatly missed by his family and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Jim and Alice Ivins and his brothers, Jim and Lester Ivins.

Ivan is survived by his wife of fifty-four years, Rosalie Ivins of Pomona; his children, Karen M. Girdler of Pomona; Nancy A. Rothermich and her husband, Tom of Pomona; Debra A. Woodring and her husband, Mike of Willow Springs; and David J. Ivins and his wife, Kim of Willow Springs. Twelve grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren also survive, along with many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

It was Ivan's wish to be cremated. He has requested that there be no funeral, but it is the family's request that donations be made in his memory to St. Jude Children's Hospital in lieu of flowers. The Rosary will be recited by Father Sherman Wall Friday at 5:30pm, April 17, 2015, at the Willow Funeral Home, located at 106 E. Third Street in Willow Springs. A family night will then be held from 6pm-8pm. Arrangements are under the direction of Willow Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Rosary

APR 17. 5:30 PM (CT)

Willow Funeral Home, LLC
106 E 3rd St
Willow Springs, MO 65793
(417) 469-3141

Visitation

APR 17. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

DS

“ *Denise And Tommy Smith lit a candle in memory of Ivan Curtis Ivins*



Denise and Tommy Smith - April 15, 2015 at 09:36 PM

JC

“ *I am so sorry for your loss, words cannot express my thoughts and feelings for the Ivins family, my Aunt Ro, cousins Karen, Nancy, Debbie, Dave and their families. I will miss my Uncle Ivan, a mentor, a strong family man who took me into his home many summer vacations as I grew up. I have so many fond memories of him. Although I may be a thousand miles away my heart and prayers are with my Aunt and cousins today. I love you all and miss you so much. God Bless, Love Always "Johnny"*



John Convery - April 15, 2015 at 01:10 PM

BH

“ *Brian & Melanie Hicks lit a candle in memory of Ivan Curtis Ivins*



Brian & Melanie Hicks - April 14, 2015 at 10:01 PM

KA

“ He took us ice skating and he he fell through the ice all of us kids laughed all the way home . I loved this man like a dad . If you were a little bashfull he would give you a hard time and tease you . He will be greatly missed

Kate - April 14, 2015 at 08:20 PM



“ Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- All White was purchased for the family of Ivan Curtis Ivins.



April 14, 2015 at 04:33 PM

DC

“ Dennis And Jackie Coulter lit a candle in memory of Ivan Curtis Ivins



Dennis and Jackie Coulter - April 14, 2015 at 03:54 PM

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Lovan

“ This man was a gift from god! For over a year, every morning I served this man coffee, toast and eggs. Occasionally oatmeal or grits, ha he always complained about the food so half the time it was free. I learned a lot from this man, from the ol days, to what path I should follow soon. He was a great friend to my father and grandpa. All mighty fine truckers. This man will always have a spot in my heart? tell dad hi for me ivan, well see you again soon, till then stay the way you are! Love ya!

Dillen Lovan - April 14, 2015 at 02:21 PM



“ *Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers was purchased for the family of Ivan Curtis Ivins.* ”



April 14, 2015 at 11:11 AM



“ *Rob & Donna Gossard lit a candle in memory of Ivan Curtis Ivins* ”



Rob & Donna Gossard - April 13, 2015 at 08:46 PM



“ *Linda Daugherty lit a candle in memory of Ivan Curtis Ivins* ”



Linda Daugherty - April 13, 2015 at 08:32 PM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of Ivan passing. Denzil and are praying for family. Lois and Denzil Caldwell* ”

lois caldwell - April 13, 2015 at 07:19 PM