



Reggie Ryan Merrill

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Reggie Ryan Merrill, 68, of Argenta, IL passed away January 3, 2022 at St. Mary's Hospital.

Reggie was born May 31, 1953, in Beardstown, IL, the son of Paul Eldon and Charlotte (McCombs) Merrill. He married Donna Kapper on July 3, 1976, in Decatur, IL.

Reggie was a tire builder for Firestone. He earned a BS degree from ISU in Agricultural Science. During his leisure time he enjoyed playing his guitar. Reggie had a love for the outdoors and enjoyed hunting and fishing.

Surviving are his wife, Donna; sons, Ryan Paul Merrill (Angeleen of Jefferson City, MO), Christian Lee Merrill of Decatur, IL; sister, Ellen Stevens (Tom) of Astoria, IL and grandchildren, Nicholas, Sophia and Allison.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation will be from 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM Friday, January 7, 2022 at Moran and Goebel Funeral Home. Funeral service will be 2:00 PM Sunday, January 9, 2022 at Shawgo Funeral Home in Astoria, with visitation from 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM Sunday. Burial will be at Astoria Township Cemetery.

Memorials: Astoria Christian Church, 219 W State St, Astoria, IL or Forever Home Feline Ranch, PO Box 9740, Springfield, IL 62791.

Condolences may be left to Reggie's family at www.moranandgoebel.com.



Events

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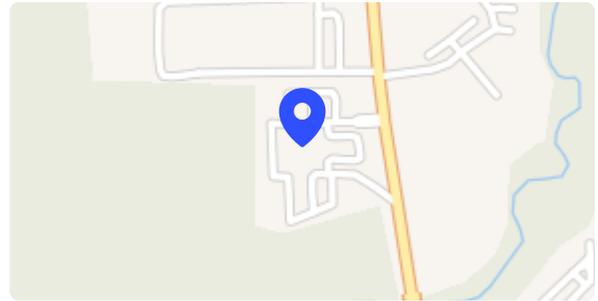
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 **Moran & Goebel Funeral Home**
2801 North Monroe Street, Decatur IL 62526





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WD

Wendy Danner posted:

We would like to extend our sincerest condolences to the family. Marty and Wendy Danner

January 8 at 2:43 AM

RH

Roberta Horton posted:

Reggie was such a huge part of my growing up years from first grade thru High School graduation. He was kind, funny and and a good friend. My condolences to his family for their loss. -Roberta Horton-

January 7 at 2:45 PM

KW

Kerry Welker posted:

I'm greatly saddened to hear of Reggie's passing. So sorry for your loss. As a lifelong friend, I'm well aware of Reggie's kindness, loyalty, and creativity. He had one of the quickest wits I've ever seen. I'll miss you tremendously, my friend. -- Kerry Welker

January 6 at 3:36 PM

NH

Nicki Hazzard posted:

Donna and boys. Reg was as close to a brother to me as anyone can get that was not blood related. He was so kind to my mother at the end of her life and She thought the world of you guys and your family. No words can describe how much he will be missed by me and all his friends. So very sorry. Nicki Hazzard

January 6 at 1:28 PM

CH

Colene Henderson posted:

Reggie is a friend of mine from Spoon River College from 50 years ago!!! Reggie was so nice to everyone. I am so very sorry for your loss to all of his family and friends.

January 6 at 1:23 PM



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Jeff Nielsen posted:

Sorry of hear of Reggie's passing, lots of good memories when we were kids. Rest in Peace. Jeff Nielsen

January 6 at 11:38 AM



Rhonda Price Barfield January 8 at 2:19 PM

Reggie and I attended school from first grade through our senior year of high school-- a great guy, always. Funny story, from a letter I wrote (and rediscovered), probably our 8th grade year: 'A bunch of kids threw snowballs at a car going past and got sent to the office. Reggie Merrill was in on it, and even though it was his mother's car, they all had to do 60 extra pages of arithmetic.' That was Reggie! Full of fun, but also smart, and kind.



Teresa Burget posted:

Reggie was always a sweet big brother type. Seems like it was just a few years ago (probably ten years) I seen him in Astoria around homecoming timeHe had a odd sense of humor. We send our sympathy to his family I'm a friend of Ellen'sBurget Family

January 6 at 11:31 AM



Gary Nichols January 6 at 11:54 PM

Im so sorry to here that Reggie passed he was a friend in school in Astoria he will be missed greatly r.i.p. my friend



Norma Merrill Onion lit a candle in honor of Reggie.

Donna and family, We were so very sorry to hear of Reggie's passing. He was always a pleasant, interested cousin. Enjoyed the chats we had at Astoria's Homecoming and his facebook comments. Norma & JB Onion

January 6 at 11:12 AM





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Reggie by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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