



Joseph John Schaeffer

April 16, 1963 - March 29, 2021

On Monday, March 29, 2021, Joseph (Joe) John Schaeffer, beloved son, brother and father went home to meet the Lord.

Joe was born on April 16, 1963, in Jacksonville, Florida, to Andrew Sr. and Peggy Ann (FitzHenry) Schaeffer. Joe was preceded in death by his father Andy, and mother, Peggy. Joe is survived by his children, Christopher, and Cathy, grandchildren, Joshua, Dylan and Chase. His brothers, Andy, Phillip (Lynn), and one sister, Mary. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts, and uncles. Joe loved Rankin and all his relatives living near and far from our hometown.

Joe served for 13 years as a Gunner's Mate in the United States Navy. He loved the Navy and was excited to enlist and fight in the Gulf War. Joe had many commendations including the Navy Achievement Medal, Navy Battle "E" Award, National Defense Service Medal, Navy Expeditionary Medal, Armed Services Expeditionary Medal, and also the Sea Service Deployment Ribbon.

Joe loved the sea, he also loved to fish and boat. He was known for his infectious smile, his kind and compassionate spirit, and his ability to make any situation better, just by being there. He kept his child-like spirit and love throughout his life, a feat not easily equaled today.

A graveside service will be held on Saturday, May 15th, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. at Rankin Union Cemetery with Pastor Jennifer Hartweg-Brown officiating.

Cox-Knapp Funeral Home, Rankin, is handling the arrangements.

Military rites will be accorded by the Cissna Park Honor Guard, American Legion Post 527.

Cemetery Details

Rankin Union Cemetery

E 4200 N Rd
Rankin, IL 60960

Previous Events

Graveside Service

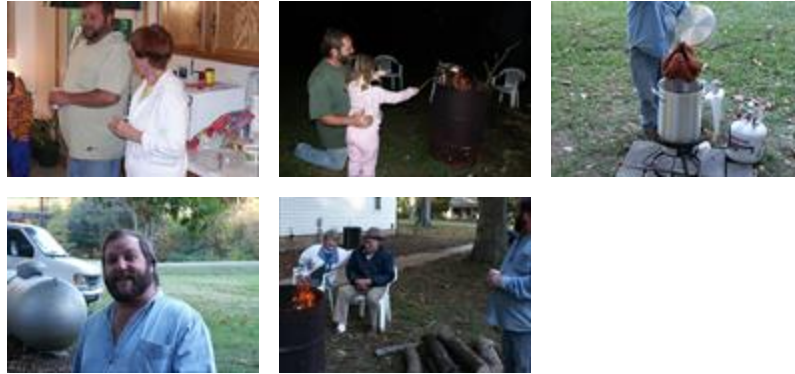
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Phillip Schaeffer (brother) - May 11, 2021 at 06:34 AM

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“ Phillip and family: I am so sorry for your loss. We are keeping you all in our prayers. May you find God's comfort in your valley. Janet and Roy Murphy

Janet and Roy Murphy - May 02, 2021 at 09:49 PM

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“ Joe took our grandson and granddaughter for their very first fishing trip on Lake Anna. One caught a huge large mouthed bass, the other a massive catfish.



Lynn Schaeffer - May 02, 2021 at 09:36 PM



“ *White Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Joseph John Schaeffer.*



May 02, 2021 at 09:32 PM



“ *So sorry for the loss of such a kind soul gone way too soon. 💕 and 🙏🙏🙏🙏*

R. Lloyd - May 02, 2021 at 11:28 AM



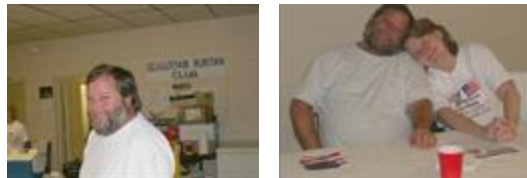
“ *Such a kind soul gone way too soon! Prayers of comfort for all the family. 🙏🙏🙏🙏 🤔🤔🤔🤔 😭😭*



R. Lloyd - May 02, 2021 at 11:26 AM



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Phillip Schaeffer (brother) - April 30, 2021 at 01:18 PM



I loved Joey as a little brother~ we had a special relationship~we were buddies💕~ my heart is hurting💔

Judy Schaeffer - May 05, 2021 at 03:18 PM