



Wesley Wayne Atkins

February 20, 1980 - January 3, 2025

Wesley Wayne Atkins, 44, of Loda, IL, passed away at home on January 3, 2025.

He was born on February 20, 1980, in Champaign, IL to Wayne (Karen) Atkins and Lisa King (Reggie) Harrelson. Wes was a devoted father to his three sons, Dylan, Connor, and Zachary.

He is survived by his children; their mother, Melissa Atkins; his parents; his sisters, Jari (Vance) Rutledge and Brooke (Eric) Diederich; seven nieces and nephew; and one great-niece; and will be greatly missed.

Wes was baptized and confirmed at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Loda, IL. He graduated from Paxton-Buckley-Loda High School in 1998. He worked in concrete for most of his adult life, including running his own concrete business, DC Concrete, and was a skilled and tireless worker. In his free time, he enjoyed basketball, including watching the Illini and attending his sons' basketball games, and was an avid knife collector.

A memorial visitation will be held on Tuesday, January 14, 2025, from 2:00 p.m. until the 3:00 p.m. memorial service, at Cox-Knapp Funeral Home in Paxton.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

JAN 14. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Cox-Knapp Funeral Home
142 W. Patton St.
Paxton, IL 60957
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Tribute Wall

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“ I've known you since birth and have so many pictures of you. Jari and your Mom. Your family has endured so much but will continue to thrive because YOU made them strong enough to do so!



Laura Schwarz - January 13, 2025 at 07:56 PM

KK

“ I'm so sorry for your loss! Wes was a good person and great father. My prayers for his kids and family!

Katrina knox - January 10, 2025 at 07:52 PM

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“ So sorry for your loss he was a good friend n a wonderful father to his 3 sons gone but never forgotten wes luv ya

Patricia monroe - January 10, 2025 at 07:09 PM

DF

“ Hugs and prayers for all of you. So sorry to hear of Wes' passing. I know what you are going through, since I lost my son in April.



Darrell and Cookie Faith - January 10, 2025 at 06:03 PM