



## Jeffrey Kirkman

July 18, 1985 - June 13, 2024

Jeffrey Kirkman, 38, of Centralia, passed away Thursday, June 13, 2024.

He was born July 18, 1985 in Centralia, the son of Rodney Kirkman and Victoria "Vickie" (Roper) Kirkman. Jeff married Tami Folwer in 2006 and she preceded him in death in January of 2010.

In addition to his parents, Vickie Kirkman of Centralia and Rodney Kirkman of Benton, Jeff is also survived by two children, Baylee Kirkman of Mt. Vernon and Noelle "Elle" Schueler of Tennessee; five siblings, Kristy Wilson of Centralia, Robert Kirkman and wife Amy of Posey, Ricky Potter and Ashley Clark of Ashley, Tyler Ashby of Irvington, and Kelsey Clark and husband Josh of Central City; several nieces and nephews, Jessie Wilson and Jake Moore of Centralia, Samantha Wilson of Carlyle, Tommy and Lucas Johnston of Posey, Kymbree Frost and Camdyn Potter of Centralia, Reihna Cox of Centralia, Hayden and Elleona Clark of Ashley and Jaxon Clark of Central City; two great-nephews, Keegan and Kaiden Wilson of Centralia; an uncle, Rev. William "Bill" Roper and wife Carol of North Carolina; special aunt, Peggy Lane and fiance, Bo White, of Centralia; sister-in-law, Rachel Emmeret Potter of Centralia; several cousins and best friends, Kimberley Wallace of Kentucky and Kevin "MD" Cooper of Virginia.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Robert Roper of Centralia and

Marjorie Niswanger of Centralia, Dorthey Mummborer of Benton and Tami (Folwer) Kirkman of Thompsonville and step-father, Paul Howard of Centralia.

Jeff was a graduate of Centralia High School and worked as a tree trimmer for several years. He was a die hard Cubs fan and cherished the time he spent with his family and friends.

Cremation Rites will be accorded and a Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Victoria Kirkman and will be accepted at the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home at 235 North Sycamore Street Centralia, Illinois 62801, (618)532-3523, who is honored to be of service to Jeff's Family. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting [www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com](http://www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com).

# Tribute Wall

KW

“ Jeff was the biggest hearted guy I've ever met. He was a best the best friend I ever known. He woulda done anything for me no matter time or day.. I will never forget you " Fam" until I see you again.i love you



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**Kimberly Wallace** - July 06, 2024 at 09:57 AM

MH

“ Vicky, I am so very sorry to hear about Jeffrey's passing. Keeping you in my thoughts and prayers.

*Mary Beth "Elliott" Hake*

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**Mary Beth Hake** - July 03, 2024 at 01:20 PM

MH

“ Jeff was an amazing man.I called him a gentle giant.He always had a smile on his face.Just a week before I saw him at Walmart and he saw his best friend Chris and his girlfriend's bike parked and he tried to get me to let the air out of their tires just to get Chris all fired up.He always had to give Chris\*\*it

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**Misty Huddleston** - July 03, 2024 at 10:14 AM

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“ Jeff & my boyfriend were best friends an he was over at aou place one morning an jeff was always trying to get chris going. Well this particular morning he got him goin which then got me goin. Needless to say I have a 5gal bucket full of nail polishes an I literally throw the whole thing across the room at my bf only breaking one some how... Jeff was laughing so hard because my bf was pretty pretty freaked out over it.. he was always telling chris brush don't make her get her polish... Jeff we miss you & love you bub....



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**Ashley & Chris** - July 03, 2024 at 08:54 AM