



Philip Bruce Matchell

December 8, 1958 - January 24, 2022

Phil Matchell, 63 of Bolivar, MO passed away Monday, January 24, 2022 at Cox South Hospital in Springfield, MO, surrounded by his family when he departed this life and entered into heavens gates on January 24th, 2022 at Cox South in Springfield, MO. He was the husband of Sue Matchell and together they shared 23 years of marriage.

Phil was born in St Louis, MO on December 8th 1958 to John and Marie Matchell. He graduated from Bolivar High School in 1977, excelling in football, basketball, shotput, and making friends. Phil had a variety of jobs throughout his life, but he was most proud of his time working as a teacher's aide with special needs students at Buffalo schools. The lifelong friendships Phil made in his early years and beyond have provided him with unconditional loving support throughout the many trials and difficulties he faced in life.

He was a loving Husband, devoted Father and Grandfather, faithful friend, and a devout Christian who enjoyed sharing his Faith with others. Phil was larger than life! He had a love for socializing (with anybody) and made new friends everywhere he went. He was known for his great Faith in Jesus, infectious smile, amazing sense of humor, orneriness, was a captivating storyteller and had a unique ability to find the good in everyone! Phil enjoyed hard work – cutting and splitting loads of firewood over the years and had a passion for hunting and fishing. He killed several deer, turkeys and within recent years enjoyed going on several elk hunts with his son Philip in Colorado, which gave Phil great content for his next BIG story!

He is preceded in death by his loving mother, Marie Matchell -Ross.

He is survived by his wife Sue Matchell, Father John Matchell, Brother John and wife Brenda, Brother Steve and wife Connie, children Philip Matchell, Anna Lane and husband Luke Lane, Rebecca Huffine and husband Dave, Patricia Kinney and husband Leon, Betty Kampe and husband Jeff, Cynthia Fowler, Melisa Casner and husband Herbert, 22 grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, as well as many friends.

. Services will be held 2:00 PM Friday, January 28, 2022 at the Butler Funeral Home. Visitation will be held 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM Thursday, January 27, 2022 at the funeral home. Burial will take place in Greenwood Cemetery.

Previous Events

Interment

JAN 26 (CT)

Greenwood Cemetery
S. Dunnegan Ave.
Bolivar, MO 65613

Visitation

JAN 27. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Butler Funeral Home - Bolivar
407 E. Broadway
Bolivar, MO 65613
(417) 326-5233
<https://butlerfuneralhome.com/>

Funeral Service

JAN 28. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Philip Bruce Matchell

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ Philip Bruce Matchell

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ Many prayers for the family!
Sandy, Shirley Branstetter
Kathy Branstetter Mauck



Sandy - January 28, 2022 at 03:15 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for
the family of Philip Bruce Matchell.



January 27, 2022 at 02:51 PM



“ Too many to count! My deepest sympathy to all.
Jay Zimmerman

Jay Zimmerman - January 27, 2022 at 10:44 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Philip Bruce Matchell.*



January 27, 2022 at 08:29 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Philip Bruce Matchell.*



January 26, 2022 at 09:29 PM



“ *When your heart is empty, fill it with a happy time, of a joyful smile or a caring words. Memories of love, family and friendship are treasure to carry always.*
Whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable --- if anything is excellent or praiseworthy --- think about such things. Philippians 4:8

Georgia Kelley - January 26, 2022 at 06:47 PM

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“ *Phil an amazing man, father, friend and a tremendous man of faith, always sharing his love for Jesus! His light always shining in his contagious smile, actions, and humor!!! I've always been so thankful for the dad he has been to Philip and Anna and for the most amazing love and beautiful memories he has left with them. I'm extremely touched by the outpouring of love and support shown to the kids, Sue and his family!*

Karen Kyman

Karen Kyman - January 26, 2022 at 05:15 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Philip Bruce Matchell.*



January 26, 2022 at 03:54 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Philip Bruce Matchell.*



January 26, 2022 at 03:16 PM

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“ Phil was truly a man with a wonderful attitude about life even with all the adversities this life here offered him. Some of the things that stood out to my husband and I was how that no matter how he felt physically, he always made us feel like he was truly happy to see us and that he cared about us! One of the other things that stood out was how much he truly cared about and loved his children and grandchildren! You could see that in his big smile when he talked about them and by his weekly calls to stay in touch with them and to check on them. From the first time we met Phil many years ago, we were so impressed by his story telling. We loved hearing him tell such interesting stories in his bigger than life fashion! Phil will be missed by the many lives he has touched during his journey of life! Our Love and Prayers to the family! Dick and Sharon Crawford

Sharon Crawford - January 26, 2022 at 02:25 PM



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January 26, 2022 at 11:22 AM



“ Sorry for your loss



Nancy Gaddy - January 26, 2022 at 08:28 AM