



Brett Mahoney

July 28, 1961 - June 15, 2023

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Serving Location:

CRAIN FUNERAL HOME – MURPHYSBORO

1421 Walnut Street, Murphysboro, Illinois

Brett Mahoney age 61, passed peacefully at his Murphysboro home, on June 15, 2023, after a brief illness.

He was born on July 28, 1961 to the late Jack and Elaine (Lees) Mahoney in Crawford County Pennsylvania. During high school his family moved to Southern Illinois and he graduated from Murphysboro High School in 1979. After serving his country in the United States Army, where he became a helicopter mechanic, he briefly attended college on his path to becoming a fabricator for sheet metal local #268. During high school he was paired with Kelly Crombar as a chemistry partner. This match blossomed into romance and they married on June 5, 1982, enjoying 41 years of marriage. He was quick witted and was always ready with a brassy comment. Brett was a sports enthusiast and loved to cheer on the Cubs especially if they were beating the Cardinals. He loved the tranquility of being at home but also loved to travel

with his wife and see new places. Brett was born into a Catholic family and he honored his faith. Most of all Brett was a devoted family man. His children and grandchildren were his world.

Brett is survived by his wife, Kelly Mahoney; grandchildren, Zane and Ashton Caraway; siblings, Michael (Brenda) Mahoney, Michelle Ellowitz, Daniel Mahoney, Jake Crews (Mary Lou), Amy Crews and Tina Smothers (Pooch); his wife's siblings, Crey Law, Robyn Rogers, Leslie Williams, Allen Crombar (Deanna), Lance Crombar (Brooke); special niece, Meaghan Kingdon, and numerous other nieces and nephews of whom he adored. He also leaves behind his 4 legged companion, Gizmo, and many friends.

In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by his children, Garrison Mahoney in 2014, Natasha Mahoney in 2017; and his step-mom, Sue Mahoney in early 2023.

The family will be having a private celebration of life. Those wishing to share stories about Brett may do so in the memories below.

Memorial contributions, on behalf of his grandsons Zane and Ashton, can be made to The Caraway Boys Fund, at FSB, in care of Leslie P Williams, 2501 West Murphysboro Road, Carbondale IL 62901.

Tribute Wall



“ *Brett Mahoney*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



*Hello Kelly,
This is Harry. We where at
Glenview NAS, IL. Brett, you and I were always hanging out.
I'm so sorry to hear about Brett.
He was my man...
Please get back to me at [Harrisongordon
28@yahoo.com](mailto:Harrisongordon28@yahoo.com).
My deepest sympathy...*

Harry,

Harrison Gordon - December 02, 2023 at 03:58 AM