



James Michael "Mike" Bryant

November 7, 1938 - October 23, 2023

IN MEMORY OF:

James Michael "Mike" Bryant

Serving Location:

CRAIN FUNERAL HOME – MURPHYSBORO

1421 Walnut Street, Murphysboro, Illinois

James Michael "Mike" Bryant, 84, of Murphysboro, passed away at the Carbondale Memorial Hospital after a long illness on Monday, October 23, 2023.

Mike was born on November 7, 1938 to the late James Bryant and Marie (Campbell) Bryant in Carbondale Illinois. He was of the Baptist faith and carried those beliefs close to his heart. He graduated from Carbondale High School with the class of 1956. Mike then enlisted in the United States Army and proudly served his country as a helicopter mechanic. After his military service, he began working in construction and became a skilled carpenter. Mike was a true handyman and could fix anything. He met the former Sharon Riggs and their friendship blossomed into romance and the pair were married on March 5, 1966 and enjoyed 57 years of marriage. Mike had a good sense of humor and loved to banter with his friends. He was a people person, never

met a stranger and loved talking to anyone that would listen. He enjoyed eating out and watching sports and mysteries on television. He will be missed by all that knew him.

He is survived by his wife, Sharon Bryant of Murphysboro; son, Michael “Scrub” Bryant of Carbondale; special aunt, Zeronel Tretter of Murphysboro; close family members, Linda and Roger Hines; beloved feline companion, “Tigger”; also survived by numerous extended family members and friends.

In addition to his parents; he was also preceded in death by his siblings, June Stanton, and Bart Bryant.

Family and friends are invited to attend a graveside service on Tuesday, November 7, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. at the Dillinger Cemetery, Jackson County, Illinois. This would have been Mike’s 85th birthday.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations preferred to the Shriners Hospital for Children, 4400 Clayton Ave., St. Louis, Missouri 63110.

Previous Events

Graveside

NOV 7. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Dillinger Cemetery
Murphysboro, IL 62966

Tribute Wall



“ Sharon and Scrub,
You are in my thoughts and prayers. Mike always told me I was
"Part time, temporary help". He will be missed.
Monica (Moore) Bohm

Monica Bohm - November 07, 2023 at 10:08 AM



“ Sharon and Scrub,

Sorry for your loss. I last saw Mike at Dixie's in Pinckneyville a while
back. I'm glad I got to talk to him. My dad Richard Moore always
called him his very best friend. Sending you our sympathies.

David "Rick" and Diane Moore

David Moore - October 25, 2023 at 09:53 AM