



## Robert E Brkljach

July 8, 1946 - April 8, 2024

IN MEMORY OF:  
ROBERT E. BRKLJACH

Serving Location:  
CRAIN PLEASANT GROVE-MURDALE FUNERAL HOME  
31 Memorial Drive, Murphysboro, Illinois

Robert E. Brkljach, age 77 of Gorham, passed Monday, April 8, 2024 in Barnes Jewish Hospital, St. Louis.

He was born July 8, 1946 in Murphysboro to Daniel and Mildred (Guetersloh) Brkljach.

On August 18, 1990 he married Sara Devine. They shared 33 years of making wonderful memories.

He was of the Lutheran faith.

Robert was a truck driver and was a driving instructor at John A. Logan College. He was a member of the Truck Teamster Local 610.

He loved to hunt and fish. He bred and trailed Tennessee Walking Horses.

Robert is survived by his loving wife, Sara Brkljach of Gorham; children, Angela (Nick) Cluchey; Michelle (Edwin) McGuirk and Michael (Toni) Brkljach; a stepdaughter, Christy (Brian) Dunham; 11 grandchildren; two sisters, Pat Gale and Donna Brunkhorst; other relatives and many friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Nancy Brkljach.

Funeral Services for Robert E. Brkljach will be Saturday, April 13, 2024 at noon in Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home with Rev. Jim Easton officiating. Interment will follow in Pleasant Grove Memorial Park.

Visitation will be from 11:00 am until the hour of the service.

Expressions of love may be directed to the American Cancer Society and will be accepted at the funeral home.

Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Pleasant Grove Memorial Park

31 Memorial Dr.  
Murphysboro, IL 62966  
(618) 687-1145  
crain@crainsonline.com

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 13. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home - Old 13  
31 Memorial Dr.  
Murphysboro, IL 62966  
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## Funeral Service

APR 13. 12:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Robert E Brkljach.*



April 11, 2024 at 04:19 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



**Nicholas Kracht** - April 11, 2024 at 12:55 PM



“ *2 files added to the album Bob with family*



**Nicholas Kracht** - April 11, 2024 at 12:50 PM



“ *Roger and Paula Nahrup and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert E Brkljach.*

**Roger and Paula Nahrup and family** - April 11, 2024 at 12:31 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert E Brkljach.*



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April 11, 2024 at 12:31 PM



“ *Sara  
I'm so sorry about Bob. I enjoyed every time he came to the bank with the little dogs. I will be praying for you and your family and Darla. Crystal*

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**Crystal Tomas** - April 10, 2024 at 06:28 PM



“ *I was one of Bob's students at JAL, he was one of the nicest men I ever met. Sorry for your loss, and Prayers for your family.*

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**Jimmie Johnson** - April 10, 2024 at 04:08 PM



“ *Bob may be gone but he will never be forgotten. This world won't ever be the same without him. I am grateful for the time we spent together riding and talking about our horses. This is not goodbye, just farewell for a little while.*

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**Larry Young** - April 10, 2024 at 09:39 AM



“ *Teresa Matthews planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert E Brkljach.*

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**Teresa Matthews** - April 09, 2024 at 08:54 PM

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“ *Teresa Matthews purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Robert E Brkljach.*



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**Teresa Matthews** - April 09, 2024 at 08:54 PM