



Robert H. Ahner

August 31, 1954 - March 30, 2007

Robert "Bob" H. Ahner, age 52, of Evansville, IN, and formerly of Murphysboro area, passed away at 2:50 a.m. Friday, March 30, 2007, at St. Mary's Medical Center at Evansville, Indiana, after recently being diagnosed with a malignant brain tumor.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, April 2, 2007, at the Immanuel Lutheran Church with Rev. Ted Mayes officiating and burial at Tower Grove Cemetery. Friends may call from 3:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday at Pettett Funeral Home and Monday from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. at the church. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Immanuel Lutheran Church or for a educational fund that will be established for his daughter Staci Ahner.

Robert was born on August 31, 1954, in Murphysboro, to Herold P. Ahner and Margaret Ann (McNeill) Ahner.

He had graduated from the Christ Lutheran School in Jacob and the Gorham High School in Gorham, Illinois.

Mr. Ahner had worked at the Consol Burning Star # 5 coal mine in DeSoto, Illinois for many years and had been an instructor at the Coal Research Training Center at SIU in Carbondale. He was currently the drag line manager for Peabody Coal Company at the Black Beauty Coal Mine. He was well

respected in the coal mining industry in the midwest.

Bob is survived by his three children Christopher Ahner and his wife Lisa Ahner of Ziegler, Illinois, PollyAnna Ahner of Chester and Staci Ahner of Evansville, IN;

four grandchildren Taylor, Christian, Maya and Amilia Ahner;

his mother Margaret Ann Ahner of Gorham; a special friend Sandy Byers of Evansville, IN;

two sisters and one brother and their spouses Mary Ann and Darrell Clendenin of Gorham, Laura and James Arbeiter of Jacob, and Gary and Judy Ahner of Pinckneyville, Illinois;

three nephews and three nieces Eric Clendenin and his wife Linda Clendenin, Kris Clendenin and his wife Jenny Clendenin, Jennifer Fritsche and her husband Eric Fritsche, Sally Ann Lakatos and her husband Chad Lakatos, Angela Arbeiter, and Andrew Ahner;

five great nephews and three great nieces.

He was preceded in death by his father, one niece, and his grandparents Homer and Mary Jane McNeill and Paul and Laura Ahner.

Tribute Wall



“ Robert H. Ahner

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM

SA

I miss you so much dad not a day goes by that your not on my mind I always wonder how life would have been if you were still here

Staci ahner - October 06, 2025 at 12:19 PM

BT

“ To The Ahner Family:
I wanted to let your family know how much Bob will be missed by all of us here at the mine. I know that I will miss talking to him and hearing his jokes every morning. I know that no matter what anyone says and does it will not help ease the pain that you are all going through, but just know that we are here for your family. We will always cherish the memories that we have had with Bob.
With Deepest Sympathy,
Brenna Tuley - Somerville Mine

Brenna Tuley - April 02, 2007 at 05:20 PM

AS

“ Polly-
I am so sorry for your loss. I know that you and your dad were very close. Take each day one day at a time and God will help you though. My thoughts and prays are with you. God Bless.

Amber Smith - April 02, 2007 at 04:37 PM

DC

“ To the Ahner Family,

My prayers are with you all in this time of morning. Bob was a great man and was a great friend to me ,and my family. He will be greatly missed by all that knew him. God Bless all and From my family to yours are prayers are with you and with Bob.

David Carcaise - April 02, 2007 at 08:26 AM