



Gilbert Dwight Kniss

February 23, 1960 - April 19, 2013

Gilbert Dwight Kniss passed away peacefully Friday April 19, 2013 at his home in Cadillac MI. Gil was 53, he was born on February 23, 1960 in Olean, New York to Arthur and Sarah Kniss.

After graduating from Thurston High School in Redford MI, Gil moved to Anchorage, Alaska where he began working with animal control. After some time Gil returned to Michigan and pursued a career in the Auto Repair Industry. He then became the Owner Operator of Antler Auto Body in Mesick, MI. In any extra time Gil had you could find him somewhere on Lake Michigan catching salmon or in the woods hunting. He was passionate about his family and enjoyed spending time with them.

On May 15, 1982 Gil married the former Brenda Kamen and she survives him along with their son, Nolan Arthur Kniss; daughter, Michelle Rose Maidens; grandson, Charles Gilbert Maidens; mother, Sarah Alice Kniss; brothers Douglas Alan Kniss and Gregory Paul Kniss; sister, Samantha Lorraine Severit; many nephews, nieces and cousins; mother in law, Rose Ann Kamen and several brothers in law.

Gilbert was preceded in death by his father, Arthur Paul Kniss and father in law, David Otto Kamen.

Funeral services will be held 11:00 a.m. Wednesday April 24, 2013 at the Peterson Funeral Home in Cadillac with Reverend David L. McMahon officiating. Friends may meet the family Tuesday from 4-7 p.m. at the Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Foundation. An online guestbook is available at www.petersonfh.com.

Tribute Wall

EB

“ BREANDA, KIDS AND FAMILY, THE GATES OF HEAVEN ARE OPEN WIDE FOR GILL, MAY THE MANY GREAT MEMORIES HELP THE SORROW. ARE PRAYERS ARE FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY .ED AND JOANIE BOZEK

ED AND JOAN BOZEK - April 23, 2013 at 06:54 PM

PS

“ Dear Brenda, Michelle, Nolan and all the Kniss family. Can't begin to tell you how sorry we are for Gil's passing. He was an outstanding person. He will always hold a special place in the hearts of everyone who knew him. All our love, Pat & Cheryl

Pat & Cheryl Schenden - April 23, 2013 at 08:51 AM

JG

“ Brenda and the Kniss family, so sorry for your loss, your in our prayers

John and Mary Garza - April 22, 2013 at 08:09 PM

KB

“ Dear Brenda and Family,
Our thoughts and prayers are with you and may sympathy from those who care; bring comfort to your heart. Gilbert was a caring, thoughtful person and a good friend. Our family enjoyed his friendship and have happy memories of him from the neighborhood. Please know that God is caring for you through the hearts of others.

Prayers are with you always,
Kimberly Barrera and Family

Kimberly Barrera-Hall - April 22, 2013 at 06:37 PM

RO

“ *Our thoughts are with your family. Draw comfort from each other. Sending our thoughts from Alabama*

Ron and Debbie Odette - April 22, 2013 at 04:50 PM

DN

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Brenda & all the Kniss family , I am so very sorry to hear of Gilbert' s passing. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Gil was a wonderful friend and I have many fond memories of all of us on Dale Street. Love and Prayers . Debbie Newton

Debbie Newton - April 22, 2013 at 12:05 PM

BS

“ *Dear Brenda and Family, I' m so sorry to hear of Gil' s passing. He was such a good man and will be missed. My heartfelt sympathy and condolences. Sending you light and love to you and your family.*

Brian Simerson - April 22, 2013 at 11:22 AM

PW

“ *Dear Brenda and Family, We are so sorry to hear of Gil' s passing. We have wonderful memories that will be with us forever. We will surely miss Gil. He was Paul' s best friend and there are stories that only Gil and Paul would know. Brenda and family you are in our prayers and thoughts. We love you very much.*

Paul & Karen White - April 22, 2013 at 01:24 AM

WS

“ Dear Brenda, My brother Steve just informed of gils' passing. We fished Lake Mich and the Au Sable along with my brother Steve. Gil and I fished Lake Erie by ourselves and all were Good Times had by all. I know he ' s in Heaven yelling fish on right now. God bless you and your family.
William Sprankle

William Sprankle - April 22, 2013 at 12:08 AM

BR

“ Brenda and family-Sorry to ear about Gil' s passing. We are so very glad to have the chance to have in our lives. Very fond memories and will always be thought of. Brenda if you need anything please let me know. We will be praying for you and your family.

Bunny and David Rice - April 21, 2013 at 08:12 PM

BW

“ Dearest Brenda and family. We are so sorry to hear of your loss. Gil was a wonderful friend and even though we haven' t seen each other for a while, he is always remembered fondly especially when I am fishing. The sound of his booming voice yelling " FISH ON..GET THE NET" will always be one of my greatest memories. He is now resting in the arms our Lord with no more suffering, just all the fishing he cares to handle. All our love, Bryan & Katie

Bryan & Katie Wells - April 21, 2013 at 09:12 AM

PW

“ *Brenda & all the Kniss family - Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Our family has very fond memories of Gil as a kid riding his bike down the middle of Dale street singing at the top of his lungs. He was a great neighbor.*

Patty Wilson - April 20, 2013 at 09:39 PM

DS

“ *Dearest Brenda & Family,
We are so very sorry to hear of your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you, if there is anything we can do, please do not hesitate to call.*

Love & prayers

David & Delma Staffin

David & Delma Staffin - April 20, 2013 at 09:57 AM

DH

“ *Dear Brenda, Kids, and Kniss family. My brother Rick called to tell me of Gil's passing. I am so sorry for your loss. He was a very special person, beloved in our neighborhood by all those who knew him. Such good memories of the times spent with him. No more suffering and I'm sure that Mark was there to welcome his friend home. Much love to you all. Dana Hageman*

Dana Hageman - April 19, 2013 at 08:44 PM