



Andrew Brian Bailey

August 3, 1972 - October 30, 2023

Andrew “Andy” Brian Bailey, age 51, of Hessel, Michigan, passed away on October 30, 2023, surrounded by his loving family. He was born in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, on August 3, 1972, to Kenneth and Inez (McCoy) Bailey.

From an early age, Andy embodied the values of hard work, honesty, and respect for others. These principles shaped his character and guided him throughout his life. He had many accomplishments including receiving a Refrigeration License through Delta College, earning an Electrical Journeyman’s License, Master License, and a Contractor License, as well as owned and operated his own electrical contracting business. He married Debbie Milbrandt and had two beautiful and smart children and built his dream house with his dad.... He was not only a hard worker but always willing to help and give back to his family, friends, and his community. He would literally have given anyone the shirt off his back. Even after death he was an organ donor saving several lives.

Andy was also a dedicated husband and father who provided unwavering support, always striving to ensure they had the best in life. His sacrifices were a reflection of his boundless love for his family, and his presence will be deeply missed.

Andy had a deep connection with nature, finding peace and joy in the beauty

of the outdoors. He loved being in the woods either hunting, cutting wood, four wheeling, fishing at remote lakes, and just hanging out with Maggie, Copper, and Bella (his fur babies).

Andy is survived by his wife of 22 years, Debbie Bailey; son, Drew Bailey; daughter, Brooke Bailey; parents, Kenneth and Inez Bailey of Hessel; sisters, Karen (Roland) Lipponen of Brimley, Michigan, and April (Edward) Olson of Moran, Michigan; nephews, Jeff Bailey, Arron Bailey, Hunter Lipponen, and Caleb Lipponen; in laws, Donna (Penny) Milbrandt of Hemlock, Michigan and Clifford (Ruth) Milbrandt of Hemlock.

Andy was predeceased in death by his grandparents, Isabell McCoy, and Don and Edith Bailey.

A Celebration of Life and benefit dinner will be held at the Cedarville Community Center on November 18th from 4PM to 8PM.

Family Life Funeral Home assisted the family with arrangements.
Condolences may be left to the family at www.galerfuneralhomes.com.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

NOV 18. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Cedarville Community Center
133 M-134
Cedarville, MI 49719

Tribute Wall

TB

“ *Debbie, With a heavy heart, I wish to give my sincere condolences to you and your family. Wishing you peace, comfort, courage, and lots of love at this time of sorrow and the difficult weeks and months ahead. My heart goes out to you at this difficult time. I'm so sorry for your loss. Terese Blankenbaker*

Terese Blankenbaker - November 08, 2023 at 12:25 AM



“ *Rose Remembrance was purchased for the family of Andrew Brian Bailey.*



November 06, 2023 at 07:08 PM

KT

“ *Debbie I am so sorry to hear about your husband. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this difficult time. Karen (Milbrandt) Turner*

Karen Turner - November 03, 2023 at 11:15 AM

PO

“ Andy Bailey was a man who helped anyone in need and we seemed to be in need a lot.

The first time we met him was our first trip to our new home in winter. It was a cold winter night in deep snow 17 years ago. We couldn't get our car and belongings up our two track and were stuck near the road.

Someone came by and said they'd go home & call Andy Bailey & he'd get us through with his snowmobile. Within a very short time Andy came roaring down Simmons Rd. and took the first load of our luggage & food. Unfortunately he didn't know exactly which way our cabin was & he took a wrong turn. He realized his mistake after a mile or so and then turned around and found our place. It took two more loads and then we hopped on and he got us in and probably got our old wood stove going for us! He was our saving angel that night and we never forgot it.

He had no idea who we were, but came out in a snowstorm anyway. That was pure Andy.

Through the years he has helped us out in so many ways. He was always here for wood cutting and splitting days as was the whole Bailey clan. He stored our six old 120 pound batteries every winter that we weren't here.

Andy was a man that you could always count on no matter what. We have a candle burning for him tonight. Our hearts are aching. Please keep the whole Bailey family in your thoughts this week.

Patricia & Bernhard Odernheimer - November 03, 2023 at 10:32 AM

KA

“ The world lost a great man. Way too soon . Not only was he my go to electrician , but he was my friend ! Always smiling , always positive and up lifting when he was around ! My deepest condolences to his family . My thoughts and prayers will be with you all during this difficult time.

Ken Aikens - November 02, 2023 at 10:04 PM

VB

“ Andy Bailey that’s what I always called him. His full name and he called me Veronica. He gave the best hugs ever. His smile lit up the room and he really was one the kindest people. Even when we were little. I am so fortunate that i literally knew him my entire life. Since we were born our parents have taken snapshots of us together. It’s so hard to believe but the world loss a great man. God Bless to all his family my cousins and Aunt Inez and Uncle Kenny

Veronica Beaumont - November 02, 2023 at 09:39 PM

PS

“ Julie and myself are so sorry for your loss. Andy was a great guy and served me well when I needed him at the recycle center.

Paul Smith - November 02, 2023 at 09:00 PM

DT

“ I went to school with Andy, he was a great guy. So sorry for your loss, thought and prayers to you all

Daniel Thompson - November 02, 2023 at 08:54 PM

WE

“ Andy’s light was so bright. When he was around the energy just seemed better. His easy way and confidence was was very comforting . He taught me much at work and about life. I’m so grateful to have know him. He was wonderful man. I will always remember his big smile and that joyous belly laugh. My condolences to Debbie and the kids.

wes - November 02, 2023 at 06:54 PM

JE

“ Deepest Condolences Debbie!! Our prayers for you

John & Mary Engelman - November 02, 2023 at 05:58 PM

SP

“ *Deb,
So sorry for your loss.
Sending prayers your way.*

Sue Perz - November 02, 2023 at 05:53 PM

DA

“ *Our deepest sympathy to all of Andy's family and friends. He was a good man with a big heart. We will all miss him immensely.
Delbert & Michelle*



Del and Michelle Anderson - November 02, 2023 at 05:18 PM

NC

“ *Andie you will be missed my friend.*



Nicole parr cornwell - November 02, 2023 at 10:26 AM

JG

“ *Andy was such a nice man. Such a good worker. Jim and Joanne Gray*



joanne gray - November 02, 2023 at 08:35 AM

CA

“ *Thoughts and prayers to the family during this time.* ”



Cass - November 01, 2023 at 10:48 PM

SS

“ *Sharon And Lyle Sherlund lit a candle in memory of Andrew Brian Bailey* ”



Sharon and Lyle Sherlund - November 01, 2023 at 09:34 PM