



David Louis Mills

July 25, 1965 - March 20, 2020

David Louis Mills, age 54, of Drummond Island, Michigan, died March 20, 2020, at home. He was born July 25, 1965, in L'anse, Michigan, to Louis Gerald Mills and Violet Rose (Lee) Mills.

David grew up on Drummond Island where he attended Drummond Elementary School and then DeTour Junior and Senior High School. He worked construction his entire adult life.

David loved the rodeo where he rode bulls for several years. He enjoyed playing his guitar, hunting, fishing and making his own fishing lures. He liked to hike and a few years ago, hiked the entire shoreline of Drummond Island with his friend "Tosha". David also raced vintage snowmobiles. His nieces and nephews were very dear to him and he spent a lot of time with them. David was a very giving soul who set a good example of giving to others.

David is survived by his parents, Louis and Violet Mills; sisters, Sandie Figiel of Drummond Island, Becky Mills of Colon, Michigan, Lisa Mills of Goodrich, Michigan, and Amy Mills of Gaylord, Michigan; nieces, Jamie, Jessica, Elizabeth, Stephanie, Cheyenne, Ashley, and Alexis; and nephews, Dan, Ben, Jeremy, Brandon, and Lucas; and several great nieces and nephews.

David was preceded in death by his grandparents, Elsworth and Lena Lee

and John and Mamie Mills.

Private family services have been held and a public gathering will be announced for Drummond Island this summer.

A memorial fund is set up at DeTour/Drummond Island Community Credit Union.

R. Galer Funeral Home in Pickford, Michigan is serving the family.
Condolences may be sent to the family at www.rgalerfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *David Louis Mills*

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *David Louis Mills*

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *David Louis Mills*

September 01, 2022 at 07:49 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the family of Dave Mills. I spent one summer with Dave in 1997 and had a great time. He was a very unique and down to earth guy. Fishing, riding bulls, riding horses and just enjoying nature was what I remember about Dave. He was very sweet and I have always remembered him all of these years. I am so sad to learn of his passing.*



J'nice Little - May 11, 2020 at 10:18 AM



“ Thoughts & Prayers was purchased for the family of David Louis Mills.



April 01, 2020 at 05:40 PM



“ Starbucks Coffee Condolences was purchased for the family of David Louis Mills.



April 01, 2020 at 02:28 PM



“ Gable Gift Box was purchased for the family of David Louis Mills.



April 01, 2020 at 02:20 PM

LK

“ What do you say when you share ten summers of memories and experiences with someone and suddenly they are taken away? He was a great friend, the most giving human being alive, a "first friend" on the island, and a great man. Together we shared our rodeo stories, fish stories, hunting stories, and life memories. Memories that were shared and repeated over and over as the years quickly went by. The more we heard him reminisce those experiences with us, the more we yearned to hear them one more time each time we visited the island. More often than not, we were the last ones in camp, hugging the campfire as we all shared a passion for the sports that brought us together. We will miss him tremendously but we will also reminisce those stories he told each spring of the previous winter's fishing escapades. We will hunt and fish with him in spirit going forward. So what do you say when you lose a great friend? We say thank you for being our friend. Thank you for being there when no one else would give us the time of day. Thanks for making us look forward to our island camp like a young child longs for Christmas. Thanks for all the laughs and the memories. Thanks for the goofy one liners. Thanks for being you and being in our lives.

Rick and Lori Kennemer

Lori Kennemer - March 29, 2020 at 06:09 PM

BJ

“ Not, how did he die, but how did he live?
Not, what did he gain, but what did he give?
These are the units to measure the worth
Of a man as a man, regardless of his birth.

ByronSeaman Jr

Byron Seaman Jr - March 28, 2020 at 02:32 PM

PP

“ To you and your family Louie & Vi our hearts go out to you at this time. May you find Comfort in all your Memories. Dave Moser, Pat Prichard

Pat Prichard - March 28, 2020 at 10:05 AM

DB

“ Fly high Davy! Many, many of us now have a new guardian angel to watch over us in a different way than he's used to doing. You truly touched the hearts of those who knew you and came to love you as family. For a multitude of reasons Davy, you will be missed more than words can say, R I P dear friend,.

donna-tim burden - March 28, 2020 at 10:03 AM

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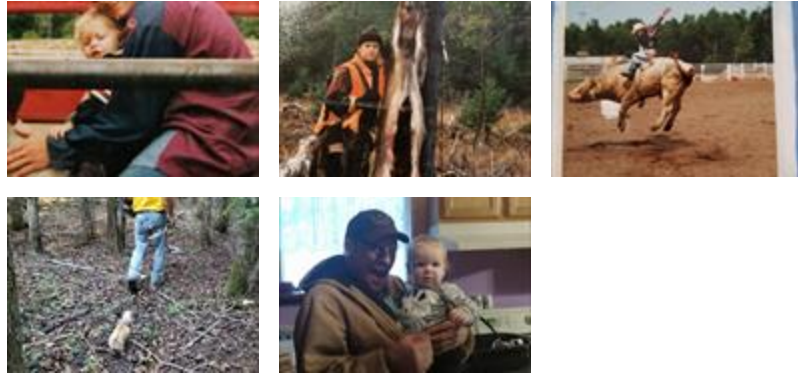
“ Sorry to The Mills Family loss of Davey. Love & Prayers to the family..



Connie Hardy - March 27, 2020 at 07:04 PM



“ 7 files added to the tribute wall



Jamie Brown - March 26, 2020 at 09:47 PM



Some of the many memories of Uncle Dave. We miss you so so much

Jamie Brown - March 27, 2020 at 11:07 PM



“ Our family sends our deepest sympathy to all of you. You all are left with so many memories to hang on too and cherish. May you find strength in each other to pull you through this difficult time ❤️ My heart goes out to all of you. RIP David



Millers - March 26, 2020 at 05:04 PM



“ So sorry to here of your lose remember Dave from school we're I cook in Detour

joannenelson - March 26, 2020 at 03:17 PM



“ *Katrina Joly lit a candle in memory of David Louis Mills*



Katrina Joly - March 26, 2020 at 01:31 PM

M&

“ *Davys huge smile and happy go lucky personality will be missed. We hope the many happy memories you each have will help ease the pain a bit. May it also help to know he lived life to the fullest and was always willing to help any he thought needed it. So sad. Sorry for your loss Cherish the memories*



Mike & Diane

M&D - March 26, 2020 at 01:06 PM