



Kristopher Galen Skeans

May 8, 1970 - August 18, 2022

Kristopher “Kris” Galen Skeans, age 52, of Hulbert, Michigan, passed away peacefully at McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital with his loving family by his side on August 18, 2022. He was born in Pontiac, Michigan, on May 8, 1970, to parents Samuel L. Skeans Sr. and Marie G. (Bushey) Skeans.

Kris grew up in Clarkston and Hulbert, Michigan with his siblings and graduated from Newberry High School, class of 1988. He went on to own and operate his own company, K&S Lawn Maintenance. He was also a member of the SAL of American Legion, Post 393.

Kris enjoyed going out to the woods to bird hunt, as well as fishing, and truly loved spending time with his friends and family.

Kris is survived by his brothers, Sam Jr. “Jay” (Jennifer) Skeans of Holly, Michigan and Kevin (Jeannie) Skeans of Hulbert; step-brothers, Jack Estep of Argentine, Michigan, and Roger Estep of Argentine, Michigan; step-sister, Pam (Ray) Smith of Byron, Michigan; aunt, Cathy Baker of Hulbert; uncle, Bobby Bushey of Hulbert; nieces and nephews, Tara Skeans of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, Brittney (Skeans) Kabelman of Strongsville, Michigan, Shayne Skeans of Hulbert, Tyler Skeans of Sault Ste. Marie, Heather Skeans of Waterford, Michigan, Jennifer “Lynn” (Skeans) Hofmeister of West Bloomfield, Michigan, Sam Skeans III of Waterford, Michigan, Robert Skeans of Holly,

Michigan, Justin Skeans of Holly and Megan (Skeans) Brazier of Holly; as well as many many great nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Kris was preceded in death by his parents, Sam Sr. and Marie; step-mother, Phyllis Skeans; step-brothers, Leon Estep, Willy Estep, and Gerry-Lee Estep; grandparents, Orville & Sylvia Skeans and Denny & Marion Skeans; sisters, Sonya Skeans and Denise Skeans; niece, Amber; nephew, Cody; and great nieces, Serenah & Haden.

Memorial Services will be held on August 27, 2022, at 3:00 PM at the American Legion Post 393 in Hulbert.

Galer Funeral Homes & Cremation in Pickford, Michigan, is serving the family. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.galerfuneralhomes.com.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

AUG 27. 3:00 PM.

American Legion Post 393
Hulbert, MI

Tribute Wall



“ *Kristopher Galen Skeans*

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *Kristopher Galen Skeans*

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *Kristopher Galen Skeans*

September 01, 2022 at 07:49 PM



“ *RIP my friend, I along with others will think of you everyday, the past eight years there hasn't been a day that went by i didn't see you. I'm gonna miss you dearly, our talks, the hair cuts and cooking for you. You were so awesome to talk to always telling me the big picture. Till we meet again my friend.*



Cynthia Dewitt - August 24, 2022 at 11:51 AM

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“ I really wish I could make it to Kris’ memorial. Unfortunately, I’m in Missouri and cannot make it back, so I apologize ahead of time for such a lengthy post.

I have so many memories of Kris! Growing up with him as a kid, and surviving summers with him, my brother, Matt, Chad, and all the Berry cousins. No wonder I’m such a tomboy!

I moved back home in 2019 and Kris was a huge help in securing my apartment right above him. I was excited to have a childhood friend for a neighbor!

He wasn’t too excited about my 175 lb. English Mastiff, though. But it didn’t take Braylee long to win him over. 😊 My second day there, he asked me how my unpacking was going. He was probably hoping I’d be done soon because I stayed up till all hours of the morning banging around and running my vacuum. I offered him coffee and he said, “I’m good, had two cups already.”

That was the beginning of Kris turning down my offers of food. I always make enough for an army, so I thought I’d share. He always said, “I’m good, but thanks anyway.”

Until one day I just knocked on his door and shoved a plate in his face. He laughed and said, “Thank you.” Ah ha! So, that’s what I continued to do. Just didn’t give him an opportunity to say no. He helped me remember my childhood. I had been gone for 26 years. He would remind me of this person and that person. This trail and that place. He kept me hopping at the Legion! I had no idea how fast someone could drink a beer until I had to keep up with him. He was also our generation’s “Uncle Andy!” He knew everyone! He knew Hulbert’s history and was so engrained in our community. There are two people in Hulbert you go to if you need to know something, Kris and Uncle Andy!

My God, Kris! I miss you already! 😭

One day I was headed to town and asked him if he needed anything. He gave me a list and some cash. I go into Zephyrs across from the school and asked for his brand of cigars. The lady asked me if they were for Kris? Lol. So, from then on, I just asked for Kris’ cigars. One day he texted me and asked if he could add something to his list and he’d pay me back later. Sure! Because

he'd been such a huge blessing to me I wouldn't let him pay me back.

*That started the traveling \$5 or \$10 bill. He kept trying to pay me back. I'd find a random \$10 in my vehicle. So I'd throw it back in his. We'd throw \$10 on each other's bar tabs. I'd find \$5 or \$10 in my purse after leaving the Legion. I'd stuff it under his door or leave it in his freezer when he wasn't home. We even went to the extent to mailing each other checks! Well, my old friend, I guess I'll catch you in Heaven. I'll slip a \$10 under your plate of checked Alfredo. ❤️❤️
You are dearly loved and greatly missed!*

Tammy Dewitt - August 24, 2022 at 11:16 AM