



William Francis Brabant

April 20, 1952 - April 18, 2021

William Francis Brabant, 68, known to many as "Buffalo", died on April 18, 2021, two days before his 69th birthday. He leaves behind a daughter, Buffy Brabant and granddaughter, Eva Brabant who both cared for him during his long illness with kidney failure. He was preceded in death by his wife, Sandy (Streeter). His parents, Francis "Pat" Brabant passed in 1995 and Margaret Brabant in 2009. The first of 10, Bill saw the passing of siblings; Patrick in 1994, Nancy (Cantafio) in 2010 and Cathy (Aday) in 2011. He will be missed by siblings; Lisa McBride (Victor) of Spokane WA, Mary Simpson (Andy) of Horicon, WI, Donald Brabant (Rosemary) of Sault Ste Marie, MI, Ronald Brabant of Sault Ste Marie, MI, Robert Brabant of Kinross, MI and Douglas Brabant (Tami) of Beaver Dam, WI. and his nephews and nieces. He loved his dogs who will forever be waiting for him to come back home. In high school, he participated in ROTC and FFA. He graduated from Michigan State University. In the Navy, Bill served as a ship engineer where he had the honor of being the first to master all stations on the ship. Early in life Bill was given the handle of "Buffalo". He shared it with his daughter, Buffy. His friends and family will long remember his stories of growing up in the Soo and life in the Navy. He used his love of writing to produce an internet newsletter, "Buffalo Chips", which focused on humor and his views on life. Buffalo Chips was written regularly for many years and had a vast following. Many of Buffalo's "Herd" kept the friendship going to this day. A Memorial service for family and friends will be set at a later date. Clark Hovie Galer Funeral Home Assisted

the family with arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ *I miss your stories. I will always wish I stayed that night with Buffy and didn't leave you alone. I will never forgive myself for that.*

Jordan Cantafio - February 15, 2025 at 01:37 PM



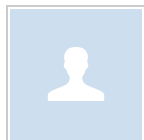
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“ *Many good stories and great jokes. Stuff was better when he had the watch. RIP*

RickE - June 04, 2022 at 05:49 PM



“ *I cannot express what I feel. The Buffalo gave me a forum, then became a friend. I have a four foot tall pile of writings that would not exist but for Bill. I thank you. I got to pour out my grief when my wife passed on. My joy of life and everything in between.*

B.J. Cassady - April 23, 2021 at 11:18 AM

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Bill and I, made steel rings together and shared many stories and laughs. May he find fair winds and following seas...RIP Buffalo and sincere condolences to Buffy and all the Brabant family.

Bruce - November 23, 2021 at 07:02 PM

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