



James R. Perry

September 15, 1975 - October 12, 2020

James R. Perry, 45, of Herscher, formally of Reddick, passed away Monday, October 12, 2020 at his home.

He was born September 15, 1975 in Miami, FL to James B. Perry and Peggy L. Brown.

James married Michele M. Feller on December 31, 2003 in Kankakee.

He worked at multiple medical facilities as a CNA. He was a volunteer fire fighter & EMT for Gardner and Essex Fire Department. James was also Fire Chief of the Reddick Fire Department for several years.

James was a huge fan of dirt track racing and loved spending lots of time with his family and friends. James also enjoyed fishing, golfing, and watching the Chicago Cubs and Chicago Bears. He was a member of the Reddick United Methodist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Michele; mother, Peggy (Steve Snow) Brown; 2 sons, Seth Perry (Chloe Bachman) of Saunemin and Kody Shearer of Herscher; 3 daughters and 1 son-in-law; Erica Perry (Steven Bradley) of Herscher, Kaylee and Eddie Boudreau of Dwight, and Myrissa Perry at home; 1 grandson, Parker Feller; 1 brother; Michael Perry (Ashley Erickson) of

Herscher; 2 sisters-in-law and a brother-in-law; Roberta and Brett Buza of Buckingham and Lucinda Feller of Dover, OH; in-laws, Donald and Marie Feller of Reddick; aunts, Faye (Jack) Taral of Streator, Rebecca Turner of Gibson City, and Marlene (Gary) Miller of LaPorte, IN; cousins, Thelma, Charles Lee, Jackie, Jennifer, and Christopher; nieces and nephews, Makayla, Ashley, and Cole Perry; Zoe, Wyatt, and Xander Buza; special friends, Kimberly Perry, Randy and Lisa Kielfing.

James is preceded in death by his father, James; step-mother, Patsy Perry; step-father, Gary Humbert; and his grandparents.

There will be a memorial service held on Sunday, October 18, 2020 at 1pm at Herscher Village Park. Pastor Kevin Boesen will officiate.

There is a memorial fund set up at Elite Community Credit Union to help with James' final expenses.

Tribute Wall



“ *James R. Perry*

October 08, 2023 at 04:39 PM




“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James R. Perry.*



October 16, 2020 at 03:06 PM



“ *James you will be deeply missed by so many. You could light up a room with your smile and dad jokes. Thank you for loving Kaden & Kenzie like they were your own and for sharing your sweet Myrissa with us. We will watch over her and your beautiful wife. Rest easy my friend see you on the other side* 

Tammy - October 15, 2020 at 07:10 PM



“ *I enjoyed knowing James and working with him as a fellow fire chief. He always had a very even outlook on things. I appreciated all the efforts he put forth to make his department (s) better. Rest in peace Chief Perry.*

Ed St. Louis - October 15, 2020 at 10:16 AM

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“ I had the honer of working with James for several years to know him was to love him. He was one of the best CNA's that Any place could have. He could laugh cry joke and pray with us all. RIH my friend fly high with the Angels. Condolences & prayers to the family. He will truly be missed by all.

Deby Alton - October 15, 2020 at 12:27 AM

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“ Such a good guy. Went to high school with him. when I had my first son at 18, he was hospitalized for several weeks as an infant. James was a CNA on the floor where my son was at. I was all alone and James was so kind and would come and hold Evan so I could go take a shower and get a little break. Always kind, always a class act. My sympathy to the family.

Liz Buente-LoDolce - October 14, 2020 at 09:38 PM

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“ My deepest sympathy to all of family will keep you in prayers for peace. James was one of a kind. He was one of the best Cna I had the honor to work with. RIP

Fran Palmer - October 14, 2020 at 07:17 PM