



David Hockensmith

September 1, 1951 - January 27, 2020

David "Hocky" Kenneth Hockensmith, 68 of Higginsville, Missouri passed away Monday, January 27, 2020, at his home surrounded by loving family and friends.

Born Saturday, September 1, 1951 in Saint Charles, Missouri, he was the son of the late David Thomas Hockensmith and the late LaVerna (Clouse) Hockensmith. Dave married Sandy Terry on September 22, 1979. They divorced after 14 years of marriage, but remained friends.

Dave graduated from Higginsville High School in 1969 and worked for the family business, Hockensmith 66. He then moved on to work for Ryder and DHL before later returning to school in 1987 at Baker University to study Aviation Mechanics. He then worked for TWA until his retirement in 2005.

Dave enjoyed fishing, hunting, woodworking, drawing, playing pool, and most of all golf. Dave spent countless hours pushing snow for neighbors and making food for sick friends. He spent much of his time just sitting with friends in the hospital. Dave was a true caregiver to his community. Above all, Dave loved his family more than anything; they meant everything to him. He will be truly missed by so many.

Surviving are one daughter, Sarah (Jeremy) Lewis of Lee's Summit, MO; Best Friend, Cindy Gassen of Higginsville; two granddaughters; Madison Lewis of Lee's Summit, Emma Parmenter of Lee's Summit; two sisters, Darlane (Steve) Wonderly of Paola, KS and Jan (Wayne) Bergsieker of Blue Springs, MO; one Aunt, Ruby Preston of Cheyenne, WY; multiple cousins, nieces, and

nephews; three grand-dogs; Daisy, Thor, and Buddy; and one grand-cat, Gizzy.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his dog-best friend, Junior. A Celebration of Life will be held at 10:30 AM on Friday, February 7, 2020 at First Baptist Church with the Rev. Dr. Greg Fine officiating.

The family will receive friends from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Thursday, February 6, 2020, at First Baptist Church, 1907 Peach St., Higginsville, Missouri. Memorial contributions may be made out to the family and will be distributed in accordance to Dave's wishes.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 6. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church
1907 N. Peach St.
Higginville, MO 64037
fbchigginville@ctcis.net
<http://www.fbchigginville.com>

Celebration of Life

FEB 7. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church
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Tribute Wall



“ *David Hockensmith*

October 22, 2023 at 02:42 PM



“ *David Hockensmith*

October 07, 2023 at 11:48 AM



“ *David Hockensmith*

October 06, 2023 at 07:00 AM



“ *David Hockensmith*

January 31, 2023 at 02:49 AM



“ *My sincere condolences for your loss. David and I worked at Ryder and golfed together.*

Mike Plecker

Kathy Thixton McVay - February 07, 2020 at 03:26 PM

BL

I am so very sorry to hear about David. He and I were cousins, on the Schwab side. I always enjoyed talking to Dave. He was so friendly, and, Wow, that smile!!

I am sorry that I didn't hear in time to attend his service. I would have definitely been there. Much love to the family, and prayers for comfort.

Barbara Lankford - February 18, 2020 at 06:16 PM

AF

“ Sorry for your loss. David was so much fun, an loved to tell jokes.

amber fiegenbaum - January 30, 2020 at 02:01 PM

MH

“ I spent so much time at the Hockensmith home growing up. Dave was always such a kind, gentle soul. My condolences to Jan and Darlene. Love to your families.

Martha Fulkerson Huffman - January 29, 2020 at 10:51 PM

CY

“ My handsome and funny cousin. Will miss your smiling face. I could call you the (tomato) man. You sure could grow them. You loved it outside and playing in the dirt. Gone way too soon dear cousin.
Love

Cheryl Clouse Youn - January 29, 2020 at 08:09 PM