



Jeffrey L. Underwood

December 31, 1959 - December 17, 2019

Jeffrey Lee Underwood, 59, of Traverse City, passed away December 17, 2019 at Munson Medical Center.

Jeff was born December 31, 1959 to Robert 'Bob' and Janet (Struble) Underwood in Traverse City. He was one of three children.

Jeff grew up on his family farm the Underwood Orchards and Farm Market and into his late teens he worked with the family providing delicious produce to the community. After moving on from the farm, Jeff spent many years working as a heavy equipment operator with Team Elmers and then as a groundskeeper mowing the grass at the Crown Golf Course.

In Jeff's free time, he enjoyed the great outdoors. In the spring and summer on his motorcycles and 4-wheelers and in the winter on snowmobiles logging thousands of miles as he would breathe in the fresh air. He also really enjoyed deer hunting.

Jeff is survived by his parents, his sister Barbara Jean (Mike) Anderson, brother Robert E. (Mary) Underwood as well as many nieces and nephews.

The family is planning private family gathering in the spring. His final resting place will be Grand Traverse Memorial Gardens. Per Jeff's wishes, cremation has taken place.

Please visit www.reynolds-jonkhoff.com to share your memories and condolences with the family.

The family is being cared for by the Reynolds Jonkhoff Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

Comments



“ Jeff was my neighbor. Very sad to hear of his passing. May peace be with Jeffrey and his family.

Charity Grigal - December 31, 2019 at 07:28 PM



“ Dear Bob & Janet,
So terribly saddened to learn of your son's passing; it hurts to think of you two sweet, kind, compassionate people enduring this heartbreaking loss. We hope in time the sting of grief will soften to make more room for cherished memories. Sending our love and understanding - Sally and Toni Hendrix (Jerry,too, in spirit)

Hendrix Family - December 27, 2019 at 05:12 PM



“ Was driving down I-5 in Oregon when i got this text out of the blue from my sister! Saw it was an obituary, but couldnt open it until stopped!! The last time she did this, it was our teacher Mrs Greene from Old Mission; so figured another former teacher had passed! When i stopped and opened the text on my phone, well i cant describe it-it was just unreal to see it was Jeff! I am so sorry for your loss!! It's hard enough to deal with the inevitable of losing our parents, but no parent should have to have it reversed and bury their child!! My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this sad time! Tom Lightfoot

Tom Lightfoot - December 22, 2019 at 05:19 PM



“ "That's Right Mr. Buster"
Love you Jeff! Missing you!
You touched many people's life with your caring and laid back attitude.... God bless The Schroeders

Kurt - December 20, 2019 at 07:10 PM



“ Bob & Janet- We are so very sorry for your loss. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers.
Vince & Paula Prusick

paula Prusick - December 20, 2019 at 08:04 AM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. I remember going mudding with Jeff and his friends when I was a sophomore and junior in high school. He was a great guy.

Linda Hardin

Linda (Hardin) Jolly - December 20, 2019 at 01:30 AM



“ Dear Mr. and Mrs. Underwood, Bob and Barb I was saddened to see this in the paper today. Mostly because I have nothing but fond memories on the farm with your entire family. I remember Jeff from his Old Mission school days but especially our first year together in Jr. High. In gym class we were going through some wrestling moves. I was paired up with Jeff. After his first move he had me in a “BEAR” hug. I capitalize it because my only thought was....crap he is strong. Needless to say I couldn't get out of his BEAR hug.

My prayers to all of you.

Bob Brammer—tarp puller, tractor driver, but most of all just a TC kid who grew up with other TC kids and their families.

Robert Brammer - December 19, 2019 at 07:36 AM



“ So sorry to hear of Jeff's passing, I always enjoyed Jeff and hunting the UP at Warren's with the families.

Mike Couturier - December 19, 2019 at 08:57 AM



“ I am so very sorry to learn of Jeff's passing. I remember all the great times we had snowmobiling and swimming in East Bay. Many great years of fun and enjoying life when we were young. My heart goes out to you all during such a difficult time.

Kathy (Beck) McCullen - December 20, 2019 at 08:21 AM



“ Bob & Janet I'm so sorry to hear about Jeff. I can't imagine losing my son. My prayers are with you.

Lynda Herkner - December 20, 2019 at 09:09 AM



“ So saddened to hear of Jeff's passing. Such a nice and good humored guy! Good memories of the farm market and the “gang” of kids around McKinley Rd. Thinking of you at this difficult time.

Janie Van Norwick - December 21, 2019 at 06:41 PM



“ Dear Bob, Janet and Family,
We send our most sincere condolences to you on the loss of your Jeff. It meant a lot to us that we got to express our sorrow and give you a hug at the Orchard Show a couple weeks ago. No matter the circumstances, it's devastating to lose a family member, especially a child. Just know that we are holding you up in prayer and fond thoughts. May Jeff now rest in peace with our Lord.

Sending hugs and cherry love,

Judy and Glenn LaCross

Judy LaCross - January 26 at 04:59 PM