



Craig A. Athmer

May 9, 1965 - January 11, 2023

Craig A. Athmer, age 57 of Highland, IL, died Wednesday, January 11, 2023, at his home surrounded by family in Highland, IL.

He was born on Sunday, May 9, 1965, in Belleville, IL, the son of Cyril and Thelma (nee Fuhler) Athmer.

On Saturday, April 15, 1989, he married Melissa G. "Missy" Athmer nee Neudecker at Evangelical United Church of Christ-Highland, by Keith Karau, who survives.

He was a member of Saint Paul Catholic Church, former member-Breese Knights of Columbus Council 2869 (past Grand Knight 2002-2003 and Financial Secretary); current member-Highland Knights of Columbus Council 1580 and the Fourth Degree Assembly 0231, Highland.

Craig grew up in Aviston, IL; graduated from Highland High School in 1983. He was the owner of @Work Personnel Services, Bridgeton, MO. He was a league bowler at Hi-Top bowling center for many years on Steve Schmitt Chevrolet team, an avid golfer, and enjoyed many years of league play as a member of Twin Oaks golf course. He also played softball on the Knights of Columbus league for the PJ's Lounge team. In recent years he could be found most summer days sitting at his patio table by the pool relaxing. He enjoyed

traveling to the beach, Florida and Cancun, and he had much love for his fur babies Vinny, Kramer, and Pierre "Pete" LaRue. He was a huge St. Louis Cardinals Baseball fan.

Survivors include:

Wife - Melissa G. "Missy" (nee Neudecker) Athmer, Highland, IL

Sister - Connie Frankovich, O'Fallon, IL

Sister - Sandy (Mike) Renspurger, Highland, IL

Sister - Peggy Elliott, Highland, IL

Brother - Daniel (Deborah Kay) Athmer, Aviston, IL

Sister - Joni (Pete) Wilken, Aviston, IL

Sister - Susie Dulle, Highland, IL

Nieces and Nephews - Many

Great Nieces & Nephews - Many.

He was preceded in death by:

Father - Cyril J. Athmer - Died 4/18/2014

Mother - Thelma J. "Timmy" (nee Fuhler) Athmer - Died 10/20/1990

Father-In-Law - LaRue "Larry" Neudecker

Mother-In-Law - Martha Neudecker

Brother-In-Law - Randall Elliott

Brother-In-Law - Wayne Mollet

Niece - Danielle Braun

Nephew - Ian Elliott

Great Nephew - Shaun Wilken, Jr..

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Visitation will be held from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM on Monday, January 16, 2023, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL and from 8:00 AM to 9:30

AM on Tuesday, January 17, 2023, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Funeral Mass will be at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, January 17, 2023, at Saint Paul Catholic Church in Highland, IL, with Rev. Fr. Pat G. Jakel, Pastor, officiating.

Interment will be at Highland City Cemetery in Highland, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southern Illinois or Madison County Humane Society (Highland) - and will be received at the funeral home.

Tribute Wall



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Craig A. Athmer.



January 16, 2023 at 10:56 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Craig A. Athmer.



January 14, 2023 at 04:32 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Craig A. Athmer.



January 14, 2023 at 12:05 PM

FF

“ From your Archview Friends. purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Craig A. Athmer.



From your Archview Friends. - January 14, 2023 at 10:54 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Craig A. Athmer.



January 14, 2023 at 09:32 AM

RA

“ Dear Missy; My sincere sympathy in the passing of my dear friend Craig..... You two were the sweetest couple I ever met, and if I can be of help in any matter "PLEASE".....O'Ralph

Ralph - January 13, 2023 at 05:41 PM

JB

“ Jeff, Jenise and Claire Boyer purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Craig A. Athmer.



Jeff, Jenise and Claire Boyer - January 13, 2023 at 04:04 PM