



David Lee Dressel

July 18, 1970 - March 12, 2022

David Lee Dressel, age 51 of Riverton, IL, died Saturday, March 12, 2022, at 814 North Third Street in Riverton, IL.

He was born on Saturday, July 18, 1970, in Belleville, IL, the son of Leroy and Patricia (nee Bell) Dressel.

On Saturday, February 25, 2017, he married Heather Michelle (nee Britt) Dressel at Lebanon, Illinois, who survives.

He was a member of Riverton National Education Association and Westside Christian Church of Springfield, IL.

David grew up in Highland and was a 1988 Graduate of Highland High School where he was active in Spanish Club, Model UN, Science Club, JETS (Junior Engineering and Technical Society), National Honor Society, Pep Club and Thespians. As a senior, he was the student director of the school play, Diary of Anne Frank. Dave was awarded the Illinois Society of the Sons of the American Revolution Award, as well as the American Legion Citizenship Award. In addition, his sense of humor earned him the "Class Clown" award. Dave graduated from Eastern Illinois University. Since graduating, he taught high school chemistry and physics at Lebanon, Staunton, Normal Community, Triad and McKendree University. Dave's last four years were spent at Riverton

Community Unit School District 14, where he was secretary of the Riverton National Education Association. He enjoyed watching the St. Louis Cardinals, attending Riverton School sports, playing guitar with his friends and spending time with his family. Above all, his passion was his students. He was a member of Westside Christian Church in Springfield, IL.

Survivors include:

Father - Leroy G. Dressel, Highland, IL

Mother - Patricia A. (nee Bell) Dressel, Highland, IL

Wife - Heather M. (nee Britt) Dressel, Riverton, IL

Son - Robert W. Helfrich, Concord, NH

Son - Ryan M. Britt, Riverton, IL

Daughter - Annamarie V. Helfrich, Riverton, IL

Son - Rudy J. Helfrich, Riverton, IL

Grandchild - Violet K. Helfrich, NH

Brother - Jeffrey A. Dressel, PhD

Father In-Law - Donald R. Britt, Mulberry Grove, IL

Brother In-Law - Matthew R. (Crystal) Britt, Cape Girardeau, MO

Sister In-Law - Elizabeth A. (Robert) Blinn, Bentonville, AR

He was preceded in death by:

Mother In-Law - Sandra S. (nee Snider) Britt - Died 12/13/2020

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

Visitation will be held from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM on Friday, March 18, 2022, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Funeral Service will be at 6:00 PM on Friday, March 18, 2022, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL, with Rev. Don Wagner, Pastor, St.

Paul United Church of Christ, Lebanon, IL, officiating.

Graveside Service will be at 1:00 PM on Monday, March 21, 2022 at Noffsinger Cemetery, Pleasant Mound, IL, with Robert Blinn, officiating.

Interment will be at Noffsinger Cemetery in Pleasant Mound, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made for the children's college fund (please make check payable to Heather Dressel).

Tribute Wall



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of David Lee Dressel.*



March 18, 2022 at 07:32 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of David Lee Dressel.*



March 17, 2022 at 09:18 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss. Dave was my student worker in Physics at EIU. He helped set up labs, set up demonstrations for faculty and helped in the shop. Dave was an excellent worker and a very nice guy! I feel so sad and sorry for you losing such a great man. God bless you and your family.*
—Charles E. Miller, Jr

Charles Miller Jr. - March 17, 2022 at 07:10 PM



Thank you for your kind comments about Dave and for your touching expression of sympathy, Mr. Miller. Dave LOVED being a student worker at EIU. Actually, he plain out loved his whole time at EIU. Sincerely, Pat(Bell)Dressel. ... his mother. We miss him so much.

Pat Bell Dressel - May 05, 2022 at 12:10 PM

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“ Rox, Jen, Kris, Dave and Donnie purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of David Lee Dressel.



Rox, Jen, Kris, Dave and Donnie - March 17, 2022 at 02:38 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of David Lee Dressel.



March 16, 2022 at 11:12 AM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of David Lee Dressel.



March 16, 2022 at 12:24 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of David Lee Dressel.



March 15, 2022 at 11:41 PM

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“ So many of my high school memories involve Dave. He was smart and oh so funny. We'd lost touch over the years but my heart breaks for Lee & Pat and the family. I'm looking through our high school yearbooks tonight. RIP my friend. Sarah (McCall) Vordtriede-Patton.

Sarah Vordtriede-Patton - March 15, 2022 at 08:19 PM

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“ The Doerfler Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of David Lee Dressel.



The Doerfler Family - March 15, 2022 at 06:33 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of David Lee Dressel.



March 15, 2022 at 04:54 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of David Lee Dressel.



March 15, 2022 at 12:50 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of David Lee Dressel.*



March 15, 2022 at 11:26 AM