



Jay A. Nicolaides

March 3, 1959 - February 21, 2016

Jay A. Nicolaides, age 56 of Highland, IL, died Sunday, February 21, 2016, at Saint Joseph's Hospital in Highland, IL.

He was born on Tuesday, March 03, 1959, in Highland, IL, the son of Melvin and Shirley (nee McNeill) Nicolaides.

On Saturday, February 25, 1984, he married Rose A. Nicolaides nee Hixson who survives.

He was a former member of the GUTS Church, Tulsa, OK.

Jay was born at Highland and raised in Grantfork, IL; he graduated from Highland High School in 1977. He was an EMT for the City of Highland for several years; he started working for MIREX Corp as a field technician for copy machines. In 1989 he moved to Tulsa, OK, to work for a copying company; in 1995 he moved to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and was service manager for U.S. Cellular; in 1997 he moved back to Tulsa, OK, and worked as a National Repair Manager for U.S. Cellular; in 2000 he worked for G.E.F. as a field technician on wide format printers; his current job he started in 2011 for EFI as a field engineer. In 2013 he returned to Highland. He loved NASCAR, his favorite driver was Dale Earnhardt, Jr.. He enjoyed woodworking and had just purchased an oversize router. He did everything to

make his grandsons happy, Four- wheeling and tractor rides were always fun for the grandsons. Jay was always helping friends and neighbors. He was a "Very Outgoing Man".

Survivors include:

Wife - Rose A. Nicolaides (nee Hixson), Highland, IL

Son - Michael W. (significant other-Kim) Meuser, Saint Louis, MO

Daughter - Tiffany A. (Jimmy) Hawks, Highland, IL

Grandchild - Noah J. Meuser, Tulsa, OK

Grandchild - Alexander E. Fuhr, Redding, CA

Grandchild - Jeremiah W. Meuser, Tulsa, OK

Grandchild - Ezra L. Meuser, Tulsa, OK

Grandchild - Alexander H. Hawks, Highland, IL

Grandchild - Maximus H. Hawks, Highland, IL

Grandchild - Oliver E. Meuser, Saint Louis, MO

Brother - Neill R. (Janet A.) Nicolaides, Highland, IL

Brother - Curtiss L. Nicolaides, KY.

He was preceded in death by:

Father - Melvin R. Nicolaides (died 1993)

Mother - Shirley M. Nicolaides Willmann (nee McNeill) (died 10/11/2004)

Step Father - Oliver Willmann (died 1976)

Brother - Rodney G. Nicolaides (died 2007).

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

Visitation will be held from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Monday, February 29, 2016, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Memorial Service will be at 8:00 PM on Monday, February 29, 2016, at

Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to Victory Junction.

Previous Events

Service

FEB **29**. 4:00 PM (CT)

Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home - Highland

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Tribute Wall

MA

“ We didn't have a lot of husband/wife employees at USCC. Rose & Jay worked out well. Thank you for the years & friendship. Your family is in my thoughts & prayers. Love, Mary Stone

mary - February 29, 2016 at 06:08 PM

MR

“ Mom & Robert purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Jay A. Nicolaides.



Mom & Robert - February 26, 2016 at 01:10 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jay A. Nicolaides.



February 25, 2016 at 11:51 AM

AB

“ You will be missed a great deal Jay. Over the years we talked a lot about family, interests, etc. I always enjoyed seeing you here at Optima and will miss our conversations, and the laughs we shared. God Bless you and your family. Rest Peacefully my friend.

Adrian Breeden

Adrian Breeden - February 22, 2016 at 04:51 PM

CC

“ *Rose and Family, sorry to hear. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Connie Crawley - February 22, 2016 at 03:31 PM

ER

“ *You will truly be missed. I only met you a couple of times, but you left an impression. Truly, a fine gentleman. Everyone here at EFI will miss you greatly.*



EFI Receptionist - February 22, 2016 at 03:11 PM

RN

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Rose Nicolaides - February 22, 2016 at 11:19 AM

GW

This is a great picture of you all. Anyone who ever spoke to Jay knew how much his family meant to him. May you find peace and love in the memories you cherish.

Gail White

Gail White - February 23, 2016 at 12:11 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jay A. Nicolaides.*



February 22, 2016 at 09:59 AM



“ *Rose - so sorry to hear about Jay. You and your family are in my prayers. Miss and love you girl!*

Deon - February 22, 2016 at 08:35 AM



“ *My sincerest Condolences to the family. Jay will me missed very much. I was blessed enough to be able to work with him for many years. I am very sorry for your loss.*

Mo Evans - February 22, 2016 at 07:48 AM



“ *Barry Stout lit a candle in memory of Jay A. Nicolaides*



Barry Stout - February 21, 2016 at 10:44 PM



So sorry to for your loss. I worked remotely with Jay, recently we had talked quite a bit more than usual, and so glad we did. I always enjoyed when we had time to catch up. He was a good man and he will be missed.

Barry Stout - February 21, 2016 at 11:02 PM

CL

“ *Chuck Levine lit a candle in memory of Jay A. Nicolaides*



Chuck Levine - February 21, 2016 at 10:34 PM



“ *Bobby Hawks lit a candle in memory of Jay A. Nicolaides*



Bobby Hawks - February 21, 2016 at 10:01 PM

RT

“ *Robert T. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Jay A. Nicolaides.*



Robert T. - February 21, 2016 at 09:59 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jay A. Nicolaides.*



February 21, 2016 at 09:57 PM

RT

“ Robert Thomas lit a candle in memory of Jay A. Nicolaides



Robert Thomas - February 21, 2016 at 09:16 PM

RT

“ I am really saddened about the passing of Jay. We used to talk all the time about our kids. He was so especially fond of talking about his grandchildren. He was so proud of how he could put his grandchildren to sleep by holding them and rocking them. He would always brag about how fast they would fall asleep in grandpas arms. I will miss him very much. I will pray all of you as you go through this hard time. God bless all of you and may God give you the strength to pull you through this loss.

Sincerely,
Robert Thomas
Field Service Engineer as EFI

Robert Thomas - February 21, 2016 at 08:50 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jay A. Nicolaides.



February 21, 2016 at 08:13 PM

ER

“ Jay was a wonderful friend back when we all hung around together starting about 1979, we had such good times with our group, we had lost touch with me being transferred and him moving but we reconnected thanks to Facebook and was going to visit him and Rose, I am so sorry I never had that chance, he will forever be in my thoughts of the good ole days

Elene (Haukap) Rankin - February 21, 2016 at 07:04 PM

KF

“ Kaci Hodge And Family lit a candle in memory of Jay A. Nicolaides



Kaci Hodge and family - February 21, 2016 at 05:26 PM

TF

“ The EFI Family purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Jay A. Nicolaides.



The EFI Family - February 21, 2016 at 04:55 PM

SH

“ I remember baby sitting Jay when he was 5 and 6 or so. He was such a sweet kid back then. My sympathies to the family. (Sandi Huelskamp)

Sandi Huelskamp - February 21, 2016 at 04:50 PM

CF

“*Rose and family, you are all in my thoughts n prayers, may the love n peace of God surround you all. RIP Jay, you were a wonderful man n will be truly missed.*

Cindy Ford - February 21, 2016 at 04:03 PM

BB

“*Betty Baker lit a candle in memory of Jay A. Nicolaides*



Betty Baker - February 21, 2016 at 03:55 PM

GE

“*I did not know Jay very well other than phone conversations. I did have a chance to work with him one time right after he started in the St Louis area, and found him to be a really dedicated worker and a super guy to work with. I am very sorry for your loss. I hope you remember all the happy times with him in your lifes. He will be missed.*

Syncerely

*Gary Eittreim
EFI Minnesota FSE*

Gary Eittreim - February 21, 2016 at 02:57 PM

CB

“ I can't not being to express my sadness and wishes to Jay's family. I have know Jay for little over a year, he was hands down a great, caring and amazing man, I was honored to learn and train with him in St Louis, Jay you will be missed always.

Corey Brown - February 21, 2016 at 02:44 PM