



Michael Alan Reavis Sr.

March 9, 1943 - May 11, 2014

Michael A. Reavis Sr, age 71, passed away with his loving family by his side on Sunday, May 11, 2014, after a courageous two-year battle with cancer. He was born on March 9, 1943 in Beloit, WI, the son of Perry and Ernestine (Wilson) Reavis. He was united in marriage to Marie Frie on July 23, 1961. She passed away on December 20, 1972. He then married Joylene Paul on April 10, 1993. Mike grew up on the family farm in Brodhead and attended Brodhead Schools. He owned and operated Reavis Electric with his brother Andre for several years, and retired from Martin Automatic after 20 years. He also had worked for Ray Timm's Station and also Olin Heating and Air Conditioning, both of Brodhead. He and his wife, Joylene, have also owned and operated Sugar Maple Emu Farm for the last 19 years. Mike loved spending time with his family, working around the farm, watching and feeding birds. He was an avid Badger and Packer fan, and loved his four-legged friends, which also included cats that he claimed to hate! He was always willing to help anyone in need. He is survived by his wife, Joylene, his daughters: Bobette (Mark) McGinty, Dani Gierhart; his son, Michael (Patti) Reavis, Jr., all of Brodhead; two stepsons, Jeff (Roxie) Paul and Jim (Kim) Paul, both of Monroe; and 11 grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. He is further survived by his brothers and sisters, Andre (Charlotte) Reavis, Beloit, WI, Maureen (Bob) Francis, Orfordville, WI, Butch (Nancy) Reavis , Ozark IL, Veda (Ole) Olson, Brodhead, and Paul (Sandy) Reavis, Rockford IL. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Marie, and his

parents. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Thursday, May 15, 2014, at the D.L. NEWCOMER FUNERAL HOME, BRODHEAD, WI, with Rev. Ellis ♦Hap♦ Itson officiating. Burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery, Brodhead. Visitation will be held from 5 p.m. until 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, at the funeral home. A memorial fund will be established. The family would like to offer a sincere thank-you to the U.W. Hospital, Madison and Monroe Clinic Hospice, Monroe, WI.

Tribute Wall

BC

“ I'm so sorry to hear about Mike. He was such a character and knew how to make us girls laugh. He was such a good kind hearted man and always enjoyed seeing him. My deepest sympathy to all of his family.

Barbara Robinson Clark - May 10, 2021 at 11:16 AM

DB

“ My depest condolences to Mikes family. He was a wonderful friend and associate. He will be missed by all who had the pleasure of working with Mike.

Dave and Sue Barber

Dave and Sue Barber - May 10, 2021 at 11:16 AM

RV

“ My sincere sympathy to you and your families for the loss of Mike. Hubie and I enjoyed Mike as he was always smiling and friendly and just a nice guy to know and visit. He will surely be missed.

Rita Vickers - May 10, 2021 at 11:16 AM

AT

“ My sincere condolences to Mike's family..he was a classmate and good friend over the years. May your many memories help you thru this difficult time. God's Peace be with each of you...hugs to you all. Aleta Ties

Aleta Ties - May 10, 2021 at 11:16 AM

MS

“ Joy, my heart goes out to you. I pray that God provide the peace Mike earned and to you and the family during your grief. Grief is a hard journey but I pray yours is brief and ending with fond memories. God bless you.

Marty Sullivan - May 10, 2021 at 11:16 AM

GM

“ Joy and family, we are sad to hear that Mike has passed away. He was a great man who was loved by many people, and his generosity and kindness to all around him will never be forgotten. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you at this time and in the days ahead.

Gordy and Judy McMillen - May 10, 2021 at 11:16 AM

BK

“ Bob and I extend our deepest sympathy to you Joylene and Mike's/your families. Mike was such a friendly and fun person. It was our good fortune to meet Mike and you through raising emus and have considered you friends ever since. It's beyond measure what the two of you have done for the emu industry. He's probably showing somebody up there how to wrestle an emu. Rest in peace Mike. You will be missed.

Bob and Sharon Kolterman - May 10, 2021 at 11:16 AM

JW

“ Bobbi and Family,
I am saddened to hear about the passing of your father. Please accept my sympathy and know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. XOXO

Jan (Bruss) Witt - May 10, 2021 at 11:16 AM

CR

“ *The memories go way back to high school, our first babies and get together Rest in peace, Mike. RIP*

Carol Lindeman Ritchie - May 10, 2021 at 11:16 AM

DL

“ *Mike and family,
We are sorry to hear of your Dad's passing keeping all of you in our prayers.*

Dave and Lisa - May 10, 2021 at 11:16 AM