



David A. Alderfer

May 23, 1958 - May 22, 2026

David A. Alderfer, 67, of Mentone, Indiana passed on Friday, May 22, 2026 at Parkview Regional Medical Center of Ft. Wayne, Indiana.

David, born May 23, 1958, in Peru, Indiana, was the son of the late Clyde L. and Patricia A. (Mellinger) Alderfer. A 1977 graduate of Tippecanoe Valley High School, he married Katherine Banghart on December 10, 1978; she preceded him in death on January 18, 1998. On August 17, 2000, he married Brenda Workman in Van Wert, Ohio, and she survives.

Throughout his life, David owned and operated his own mechanic shop, specializing in auto repair and small-engine work. He also contributed his skills to Midwest Spring, the maintenance team at Grace Village Retirement Community, Birtch Services as a truck driver, and Ettinger Machinery in Mentone. He was a model railroading enthusiast, and was active in the Warsaw Aero Modelers Club and previously served as a Mentone fireman. He was also a former member of the Mentone Lions Club. He also was an avid fisherman.

He is survived by his wife Brenda Alderfer of Mentone; daughter Nicole and husband Shawn Dunnuck of Colorado; step daughter Meagan and husband Andrew Paseka of Convoy, Ohio; step son Michael Workman of Mentone, grandchildren Baylee, Kassaday, Dominic, and Morgan; step grandchildren

Ethan, Emiley, Paige, Josh, and Carlee; 5 great grandchildren; sisters Becky Davis and Carol Alderfer both of Warsaw; brother-in-laws Brent Workman, Kenny and wife Missy Workman, Bruce and wife Karen Workman, and several nieces and nephews.

David was preceded in death by his parents, wife Kathy, brothers Danny and Dennis, sister Lisa Alderfer, brother-in-law Calvin Davis, and father and mother-in-law Carol and Ellen Workman.

A memorial service is being planned in June at King Memorial Home 101 North Tucker Street Mentone, Indiana.

Donations can be made in his memory to Tippecanoe Valley High School Unified Sports.