



John R. Niksch

January 29, 1952 - March 22, 2023

John R. Niksch, 71, of Rochester, Ind. and formerly of the Valparaiso area passed Wednesday, March 22, 2023 at his residence.

No services will be held at this time.

The arrangements have been entrusted to Hartzler Funeral Home 305 West Rochester Street Akron, Indiana.

Tribute Wall

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“ John had been thru a lot of trials in his life,he lost his girlfriend do to suicide and lost his baby boy due to crib death his family abandoned him and kicked him out he was homeless and I helped him, I had him come and stay with me as a friend I paid all his bills until he reached age 67 and could get social security finally he was able to help out which made him proud.John probably was one of the most giving person I've ever known he gave without asking or wanting anything in return.He didn't make friends easily so he had few but for those who missed out I'm sorry.John and I were friends for 31 years, when he got stage four lung cancer he was put in a nursing home for about two months but he didn't want to die there so I brought him back home with hospice and the first week he did great was walking around with a walker sitting on the couch, eating good but the second week he fell several times and I had a hard time getting him up,he mostly stayed in bed then and gradually went down hill.I was by his side when my best friend passed away, I held his hand and it was alright to go and that I loved him and I would be fine and he slowly stopped breathing. You will be greatly missed.

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