



Johnny Ray Wadkins

April 7, 1953 - January 26, 2025

Johnny Ray Wadkins, 71, of rural Rochester, Indiana (Tiosa) passed at 4:00 pm, Sunday, Jan. 26, 2025 at Lutheran Kosciusko Hospital of Warsaw.

He was born on April 7, 1953 in Prestonsburg, Kentucky to Nero and Minerva (Robinson) Wadkins. He married April 19, 1975 in Akron, Indiana to Janet Lee Holbrook, who survives. Johnny was a truck driver for Peden Trucking and Kralis Brothers.

He enjoyed spending time with family, was a good story teller, collected knives and watches, listening to the classic country music, playing the harmonica, and coon and squirrel hunting was always his favorite.

Johnny was a member of the Sportsmans and Farmers Conservation Club of Silver Lake.

He is survived by his wife Janet Lee Wadkins of Rochester; son Johnny R. Wadkins II and wife Gretchen of Bourbon; daughters Jennifer Lee and husband Joe Kilgore of Walton and Heather S. husband Juan Murillo of Warsaw; sister Joyce Hoskins of N. Manchester; brothers Bill and wife Mary Wadkins of Silver Lake and Lon Wadkins of Disko; grandchildren Cheyenne and husband Jon, Jenny, Juan Carlos, Rudy, Alex, Braeden, Grant, Sofie, Sadie, Addy, Oakley, Gibson, Annabelle and Gracelynn; and great grandchildren Julian and Haisleigh;

Johnny was preceded in death by his parents, twin sons Kenneth Ray and Ronald Keith Wadkins; mother and father-in-law Geneva & Charles Holbrook, sister Charlotte Oaks, and brothers Richmond and Lloyd Wadkins.

The funeral service will take place at 3:00 pm, Thursday, Jan. 30, 2025 at King Memorial Home 101 North Tucker Street Mentone, Indiana with Pastor Jerry Wadkins officiating. The funeral service is available at: <https://youtu.be/XzQg3qyuGg8>

His interment will take place following the service in Mentone Cemetery, Mentone, Indiana.

Visitation will be held from 1 pm to 3 pm, Thursday, Jan. 30, 2025 at King Memorial Home, Mentone, Indiana.

Memorial contributions can be made in his memory to the Sportsmans & Farmers Conservation Club of Silver Lake.

Cemetery Details

Mentone Cemetery

Morgan St Jefferson Street
Mentone, IN 46539

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 30. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

King Memorial Home
101 North Tucker Street
P.O. Box 56
Mentone, IN 46539
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Hartzler Funeral Services created a Webcast in memory of Johnny Ray Wadkins



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“ Hartzler Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Johnny Ray Wadkins



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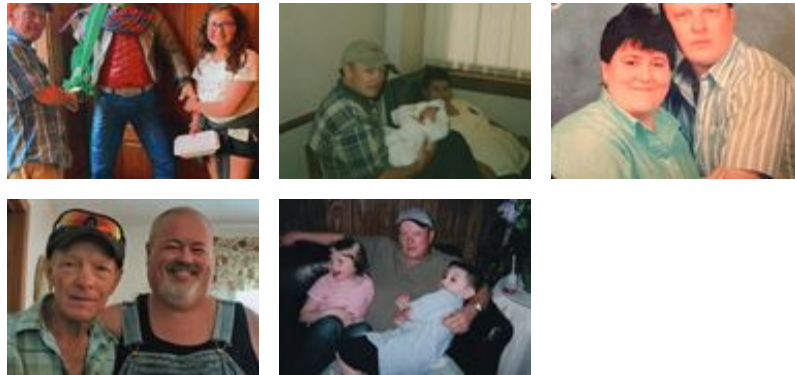
“ To Janet and her family, please accept my sympathy for the loss of someone so dear to your family. May you find strength to grieve this life in a very special way, knowing that he is in Heaven with Jesus.
Diane Warren



Diane Warren - January 29, 2025 at 03:31 PM



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“ Sorry for your lose Jonny.

Mike Orr - January 28, 2025 at 06:43 PM

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“ Michelle Gillman Holloway lit a candle in memory of Johnny Ray Wadkins



Michelle Gillman Holloway - January 28, 2025 at 03:32 PM

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“ May you find peace and comfort with Our Lord at this time of sorrow.

Marc and Judi Weissert

Judi Weissert - January 28, 2025 at 10:17 AM