



Merle L. Thorpe Jr.

December 22, 1947 - November 21, 2020

Merle Thorpe Jr. Passed away Saturday, November 21, 2020 at Greenfield Reflections of Woodstock. A Graveside Service will be at 3:00 P.M. on Tuesday, November 24, 2020 in Sunset View Memorial Gardens. Reverend Elfi Finn-McKenzie and Rick Hassler will officiate. Merle was born on December 22, 1947 in Hinkle's Nursing Home in New Market and was the son of the late Merle Sr and Dolly Rupert Thorpe. He was a US Army Veteran and served during the Vietnam War. He went to Police Academy and worked for the Woodstock Town Police for 10 years and later worked for the Shenandoah County Sheriff's Department for 20 years. He loved hunting and being in the great outdoors. Merle is survived by his loving wife, Sharon, 2 sisters, Dale Hepner (Tommy) of Mt. Jackson, Judy Dove of Mt. Jackson, a brother, Tony Thorpe (Karen) Woodstock, 2 stepsons, Wayne Butler Jr., (Michelle) of Linthicum, Maryland, and Tim Butler (Audra) of Pasadena, Maryland, a stepdaughter, Patricia Watkins(Talbot) of Glen Burnie, Maryland, 6 step grandchildren, Wayne III, Rachel, Jacob, T.J., Matthew, and Nicholas. The family would like to thank Greenfield Reflections of Woodstock for the care and love for Merle. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the Alzheimer's Association. Cemetery Details Sunset View Memorial Gardens 2677 Fravel Road Woodstock, VA 22664 Previous Events Service NOV 24. 3:00 PM (ET)Sunset View Memorial Gardens 2677 Fravel Road Woodstock, VA 22664

Tribute Wall

VF

“ So sorry to hear about Merle's passing. He was a great friend to our family and loved our son Ethan. He would often stop just to say hi and we will miss him. Sending prayers to his family.

Valerie, Lee and Ethan Fultz - November 30, 2020 at 12:00 AM

TP

“ Merle, Rest in peace my friend, Merle trained me when I became a Deputy in 1986, He was a great Sergeant and good friend. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. Todd Pence, Harpers Ferry Wv.

Todd E Pence - November 24, 2020 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ To the family, I am so saddened to hear about Merle's passing. Please accept my deepest sympathies for the loss of Merle. I pray that God sends you peace and comfort in this difficult time. Love, Cheryl Pence

Cheryl Kay Moody - November 24, 2020 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ We will miss Merle, could not ask for a better neighbor and loved when he would pop in for a visit. Jerry and Judy Polk

Jerry & Judy Polk - November 23, 2020 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ We sure will miss you, Merle. Thanks for always keeping us laughing and for the great sausage gravy. I always looked forward to your visits!

Katelynn Riffle Moilanen - November 23, 2020 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ *Merle, You played a pivotal role in my life growing up. You set the bar with how to be a father figure that showed strength, power, and devotion. I cannot thank you enough for giving me the opportunity to be a part of your life and your families lives, no matter how short it may have been. You will be truly missed, but not forgotten by any means. Thank you for the great memories. Doug "Dogie" Huffman*

Doug Huffman - November 23, 2020 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Merle L. Thorpe Jr..*

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