



Mr David Matthews a.k.a. Thomas Lee Hockenberry

April 12, 1953 - October 12, 2012

David Matthews, also known as Thomas Lee Hockenberry, 59, of New Haven, died unexpectedly at 1:26 p.m. Friday, Oct. 12, 2012, at St. Joseph Hospital in Fort Wayne.

He was born April 12, 1953, in Bluffton, to Jack Carnes and Linda Lou Hockenberry Reed. His mother survives in Bluffton.

He was a foreman at Red Gold in Geneva for eight years. He also worked in the maintenance department at the Caylor-Nickel Clinic in Bluffton and had also been employed at Sterling Casting in Bluffton.

Survivors include four children, Belinda Hockenberry of New Haven, Mandy Hockenberry of Fort Wayne, Angie Hockenberry of Fort Wayne, and Nathaniel Hockenberry of New Haven, and by two grandchildren, Gavin Roberts and Alissa Verhoff. He is also survived by six siblings, Jim Groff of French Lick, Irene Ritter of Dunkirk, Bill Groff of French Lick, Jack Groff of Bryant, Jody Beiler of Bluffton, and Steve Estrada of French Lick.

Calling will be from 2 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 17, at the Thoma/Rich, Chaney, and Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Services will be held at the funeral home at 4 p.m. Wednesday. Burial will be at the Fairview Cemetery in Bluffton.

Online condolences: www.thomarich.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr David Matthews a.k.a. Thomas Lee Hockenberry*



Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - October 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mr David Matthews a.k.a. Thomas Lee Hockenberry*

September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



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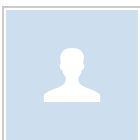
Belinda Hockenberry - October 13, 2012 at 11:02 PM



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Angela Hockenberry - October 13, 2012 at 06:46 PM



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October 12, 2012 at 08:14 PM



“ *lit a candle in memory of Mr David Matthews
a.k.a. Thomas Lee Hockenberry*



October 12, 2012 at 08:03 PM



We love you dad and miss you. We know your body was tired and your heart was weak but we know you are not in pain any longer.

October 12, 2012 at 08:04 PM



We was so sorry to hear of the loss of Tommy Lee.one never knows from day to day.Our thoughts and prayers are with you.God bless.

tom hockenberry - October 13, 2012 at 10:05 PM



*Dad I thank God you came around and made a change. I feel blessed with the extra years you were able to stayed with us. You will always be loved and remembered. Alissa said she misses her buddy! Love,
Belinda and Alissa*

Belinda Hockenberry - October 15, 2012 at 01:40 AM



My deepest condolences to the family, especially Nathaniel. I am sorry for your loss!

Ian's mom-Rebecca Schlichter - October 17, 2012 at 09:37 AM



may your sole rest in the hands of our lord almighty

tom hockenberry - October 19, 2012 at 03:08 PM