

Spencer F. Kumlien

February 24, 1950 - November 7, 2022

Spencer F. Kumlien, 72 of Bluffton, passed away on Monday afternoon, November 7, 2022, at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

He was born on February 24, 1950, in Edgerton, Wisconsin to Gene & Mary (Townsend) Kumlien. A graduate of Milton Union High School in 1968, Spencer worked for General Motors for 42 years and retired in 2011. He worked at the Janesville, Wisconsin plant and then the family moved to Bluffton when he started working at the Fort Wayne General Motors Plant. He enjoyed being outdoors, golfing and puttering around working on projects at his home. He enjoyed animals and always enjoyed being with his dogs. He served on the Milton Fire Department in Wisconsin and on the Aboite Fire Department, where he was part of the rescue team.

On September 26, 1970, in White Water, Wisconsin, Spencer and Nancy J. (Zimmerman) Kumlien were married.

Survivors include his wife of 52 years, Nancy of Bluffton, along with a daughter, Kelley Carnes and a son, Jacob J. Kumlien, both of Bluffton. He was a loving Pappy to 4 grandchildren: Spencer O'Day, Alaynna "Froggie" Carnes, Coven Kumlien and Briana Kumlien, along with a great-grandson, Matthew Lott.

He is also survived by his siblings: Kerry (Pat) Kumlien, a twin brother, Steven (Lorna) Kumlien, Kris (Gary) Schielfelbein and Kevin (Carol) Kumlein, all of Wisconsin. He will be missed by his rescue labs, Martha and Emma.

He is preceded in death by his parents and his lab, Minda.

A celebration of life visitation will be held from 3 P.M. to 8 P.M. on Tuesday, November 15, 2022 at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to the PAWS of Adams County, through the funeral home. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Friends can share memories and express online condolences with the family at www.thomarich.com.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Visitation

NOV 15. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home
308 West Washington Street
Bluffton, IN 46714
<http://www.thomarich.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Spencer F. Kumlien*



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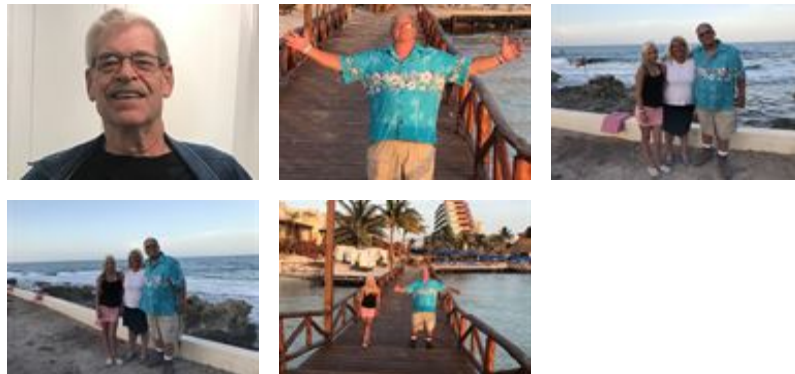
“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Spencer F. Kumlien.*



November 14, 2022 at 09:31 PM



“ *59 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Spencer F. Kumlien.*



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“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Spencer F. Kumlien.*



November 10, 2022 at 09:10 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Spencer F. Kumlien.*



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“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Spencer F. Kumlien.*



November 10, 2022 at 09:57 AM