



Richard Dean Greer

November 17, 1954 - July 29, 2011

Richard "Bones" Dean Greer of Bloomington, IN passed away peacefully on July 29, 2011. He was 56 years old. He was born November 17, 1954 in Bedford, IN to Roy Dean and Sharon R. (Anderson) Greer. Richard graduated from Bloomington High School in 1972 before working for Micro Motors for fifteen years. He also worked for Royal Toyota for many years as the service advisor manager. Richard enjoyed his flower garden, listening to music, spending time on the lake and with his grandchildren and family.

Richard was a baseball player in high school and then went on to play softball for Clear Creek Church League 1973-1974, Ellis Floral Team 1975, Front Runner Sports 1976-1980, and Monroe Guaranty Insurance 1980-1985. He also played in a National Softball Tournament in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

He is survived by a host of family and friends who will miss him dearly including his wife Rowena Kay (Buster) Greer, Daughters Marcy Kalat and husband Pete of San Francisco, CA, Paula Zurbuch and husband Andrew of Bloomington, IN, and Courtney Wise and

husband Kurt of Memphis, TN, Brother Mike Greer and wife Ardela of Oolitic, IN, Sister Lisa Knies and Gregg of Sellersburg, IN, Grandchildren Marley Kalat of San Francisco, CA, Blaine, Bryce and Drew Zurbuch of Bloomington, IN, and Drew Wise of Memphis, TN, and close friends Ron and Darlene Haste.

He was preceded in death by his parents and Sister Deanna Greer.

Friends and Family will be celebrating the life of Richard "Bones" Greer with Services, 2pm Saturday August 6, 2011 at the Allen Funeral Home 4155 S. Old State Highway 37 Bloomington, IN. Visitation will be Friday August 5, 2011 from 2-8 at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Clover Hill Cemetery in Harrodsburg, IN.

Memorial Contributions can be made to the American Cancer Society.

Allen Funeral Home is handling arrangements. Friends can send condolences to www.allenfuneralhome.org

Tribute Wall

RB

“ It has been a great many years since I last saw my friend Dick Greer. I had the privilege of working with him for a number of years at Royal Toyota-Volvo in Bloomington. Dick still gives me many happy memories of time spent together. I speak of him often telling my friends about his very unique personality. His job was very stressful and every evening he'd set out for home in such a way he would avoid take left turns to get there. Of course this was the long way home. But, that allowed him to unwind. Dick, was the kind of guy who loved sports, but he would do things such as go home to a pair of favorite basketball shoes that he never wore outside the house. Only wearing them to watch Indiana University and Bobby Knight and the boys. At one time Dick had a pair of gold fish named Fred and Grady. (from Sanford and Son) and of course Esther she was a bug eyed Gold fish. He would come and tell how disappointed Fred and Grady were if the IU had played poorly the night before. He always claimed they' swim to back of the fish tank and refuse to watch. Trash night was a big deal to him too. He'd talk about it all day. But, in actuality it was his excuse to get loaded. You see, he would gather up the trash in one room and drink a beer then go to the next room and gather up trash and drink another beer. And eventually end up get all the trash gathered up to take out to the road side. I also remember the time we went out to sears and bought his brand new riding mower. Of course I went with to pick it up. I brought it back to the shop and made certain everything was properly functioning. Dick wasn't very mechanically inclined so we had to look out for him in those areas. Anyway the funny part was I found the next day. Instead of going home to cut his grass the first night. Dick, just opened the garage door and set on it all evening reading the news paper. He was really proud of that lawn mower. I remember telling him the reason we had to pick out the model that had headlights was so he could find his way back to the house incase it got dark while he was mowing the yard. I have so many memories of my friend Dick. We always ate lunch together and a place called little caesar's pizza sold pizza and a drink, buy one get one free. Of course we would share the expense. But, we'd argue the whole lunch break about who was eating the free stuff. Dick was

extremely jumpy. You could startle him at the drop of a hat. Some of the guys would even load his cigarettes with the little exploding caps and then we'd all stand around just to watch the show. A customer came in one time, he was an old guy. Dicks lit up cigarette and when the tip blew off the old guy jump out of his skin too. And asked Dick, " what did you get into boy?". He used to have favorite ink pens too. But, most of the pens he got his hands on he'd chew on the ends of them 'til you wouldn't dare use his favorite pen. So many things I remember about this man. I so often think of and smile. Dick Greer will never pass away in my heart. All I can say is thanks to my dear friend for being a great friend in my life. I love you Buddy!

Rusty Bowlen - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

TJ

“ *Dear Family-I was deeply saddened to hear about Dickie's passing. I knew him better as "Bones" from his softball days. He was a super first baseman & I always enjoyed watching him play. He will be greatly missed by many friends and family. My condolences to you all.*

Teri (Bartlett) Jacobs - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

DE

“ *I am very sorry for your loss. As a 15 year patron of Micro Motors; I have appreciated his honest, down to earth approach with people. He will be missed.*

Dee Morris - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

DE

“ Kay, Pete, Marcy, Marley, Paula, Andy, Blaine, Bryce, Drew,

So sad this has happened to Richard and all of you. Richard is at peace, thank the Lord, but you folks are left behind to mourn. What a blessing that you all have each other. My deepest sympathy and love,

Deb

Deb Cook - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

DE

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you Kay and your children & grandchildren during this very difficult loss. Love you much!*

Debi Kyle - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

HO

“ *Dear Richard's family,
You all are in my thoughts and prayers. The loss is great and the pain is deep, but he is at Peace. May you all find comfort in that.
God Bless!
Love, Holly*

holly fries - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

MP

“ *Deepest sympathy on the loss of Dickie. I met have many fond memories of him during his time playing softball in Bloomington.*

May your memories of timees together help you through this difficult time.

Mindy Miller Pavlik - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

JE

“ *Richard was such a wonderful guy and caring, he will be sorely missed, my condolence to the family* ”

Jeff French - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM