



Russell Lewis Schmidt

September 27, 1952 - April 13, 2015

Russell (Rusty) Lewis Schmidt, age 62 of Bloomington, Indiana passed away at his family home early Monday morning April 13th, 2015. He was born in Oceanside, California to Bob and Peggy Burris Schmidt. As a child, he moved to Columbus, Indiana with his family.

Rusty graduated from Columbus High School in 1970 and afterward attended Indiana University. He went on to spend over 25 years working at Indiana University, ultimately as the Director of Laboratory Animal Resources. He was a long time member and past president of the American Association of Laboratory Animal Science. Outside of his career, he enjoyed traveling with his wife, spending time outdoors, cruising in his car, and being with his grand children and family whom he dearly loved. He was also an avid music lover and sports fan, and favored IU, Colts and the Pacers.

Rusty will be dearly missed by his wife of 43 years, Melissa K. Schmidt; son Ryan T. Schmidt; daughter Vanessa B. Schmidt; grand daughters Jocelyn B. Schmidt and Lilianna G. Conley, all of Bloomington; sisters Kay Sue Hempstead and Bobbie Sue Lewis, of Dupont and Seymour; and special four legged companions Max and Binx. He was preceded in death by his parents, and sister

Peggy Lou Mize.

A Memorial Service will be held for family and friends in Brown County State Park, Sunday May 3rd, 2015 from 2:00pm - 5:00pm at Strahl Lake Shelter House. Allen Funeral Home and Crematory is handling the arrangements. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.allenfuneralhome.org.

Tribute Wall

TA

“ I'm so sorry for your family's loss. I hope you find comfort in God's promise of a resurrection & in the many wonderful memories you made & shared together. You have my condolences.

Tara - October 26, 2015 at 04:00 PM

JE

“ So sorry to hear about your loss. I went to elementary through high school with Rusty and will always remember him as a good guy who loved life. Unfortunately I lost touch after high school but my thoughts and prayers are with his family and friends.

Jerry Elkins - October 26, 2015 at 04:00 PM

ME

“ Melissa and family,
I was so sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. If you need anything please let me know.
Sincerely....Mel

Melanie Lane - October 26, 2015 at 04:00 PM

TA

“ Vanessa , I am so sorry for the loss of your father. We will be thinking about and your family. If I can do anything please call.
Prayers your way.

Tammy Mullins - October 26, 2015 at 04:00 PM