



Robert Bryan Ellis

September 6, 1961 - January 17, 2016

Robert Bryan Ellis, 54, of Drummonds, Tennessee, formerly of Jackson, Missouri, passed away on January 17, 2016. He spent the last four years of his life in a courageous attempt to overcome cancer. Though this struggle was not pleasant, Robert managed to spend time with his wife, Wendy, and his son, Robbie, as well as his family and friends. He spent the good days doing some of the things he enjoyed. He died peacefully at his home in Tennessee.

Robert was born on September 6, 1961, in Cape Girardeau, Missouri. His parents are John E. and Dorothy J. Illers Ellis of Jackson. In 1982 he married his first wife, Kim Schubert Solis, Robbie's mother. In 2000, he married Wendy Nicole Lewis.

Robert attended New McKendree Methodist Church. He graduated from Jackson High School in 1979. He furthered his education by attending the Missouri University of Science and Technology at Rolla and Southeast Missouri State University in Cape Girardeau.

Robert was active in Boy Scout Troop 311 in Jackson where he earned the rank of Eagle Scout in 1975. He also was inducted that year as an Ordeal Member of The Order of the Arrow, BSA Society of Honor Campers. He earned his Brotherhood in the Order in 1976 and was elected into the Vigil Honor in 1979 for his leadership and excellence in service to others. After

relocating to Tennessee, he was an assistant scoutmaster with one of the local Boy Scout troops.

Robert was an avid outdoorsman. He enjoyed many days fishing and deer hunting. He worked as a sign builder making commercial signs for businesses across the mid-south. He and Wendy opened Ellis Sign Shop in 2001. In 2011, he became general manager of Pyramid Sign Company. Robert will be missed by the many friends he made on his walk of life.

Survivors include: his wife, Wendy Ellis; his son, Robert John Ellis of Jackson, Missouri; parents, John and Dottie Ellis of Jackson, Missouri; his brother and sister-in-law, John Ellis, II and Diane of Batesville, Arkansas; and his aunt, Nancy L. Ellis of Kirkwood, Missouri. He is also survived by his mother-in-law, Becky Lewis (Michael) Cuen of Nevada; sisters-in-law Carrie Lewis (Jason) Bell of Virginia, Kristen Lewis (Frankie) Vires of Virginia, Teri Olive (Josh) Rivard of Nevada, Savahana Olive of Nevada, a brother-in-law Robby Lewis of Nevada, and numerous nieces and nephews. Robert was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Robert Illers and Dorothy Illers; his paternal grandparents, John I. and Elda M. Ellis; his father-in-law, Steve Lewis of Tennessee, and brother-in-law, Ryan Lewis of Nevada.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, January 30, 2016, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. with a memorial service to follow at 11 a.m. at Ford and Sons Funeral Home at 708 West Main, in Jackson, Missouri. Burial will take place at Memorial Park Cemetery.

Memorial contributions are welcome at any of the following: Cancer Research Institute, 55 Broadway, Suite 1802, New York, NY 10006, A Sister's Hope, 6257 N. McCormick Boulevard, #104, Chicago, IL 60659, or your favorite charity.

Online condolences may be shared at www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Cape County Memorial Park Cemetery

2315 Highway 61 North
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701
(573) 334-1909
<https://www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com/>

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

JAN 30. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Service

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