

## Kenneth Walsh

## Jerseyville | Wednesday, October 31 2018

Kenneth Frederick Walsh, 56, died unexpectedly at 4:34 p.m. Wednesday, October 31, 2018 in the emergency room at Jersey Community Hospital after suffering an apparent heart attack.

He was born in Jerseyville on August 16, 1962, the youngest of three children born to Donald and Eva (Drainer) Walsh.

Kenny grew up on the family farm in Piasa Township, and graduated from Jersey Community High School in Jerseyville in 1980, where he was active in the FFA, and various 4-H clubs throughout his youth.



He immediately began employment with Ferrell Gas Company, where he has been employed for over 30 years, and was currently serving as a truck driver for the company. Farming, however, remained a constant passion of his, and most of his free time was spent on the farm raising cattle. He enjoyed participating with his two sons in the tractor pulls every year at the Jersey County Fair, and enjoyed perfecting his golf game with his friends and brother, Donnie.

He was a socially active guy, who always enjoyed being around his friends and family. He was happy when he was entertaining friends at a party, listening to his favorite music from the Eagles, Styx, or Journey, and was a strong supporter of Donald Trump.

He married the former Kathy (Meyer) Mourning on June 28, 2014 at their home in Jerseyville, and although way too short, were blessed with the time that they were given.

Surviving are his wife, Kathy Walsh of Jerseyville; his mother, Eva Brooks of Loveland, Co.; his father, Donald Walsh Sr. of Brighton; two sons and daughters in-law, Matthew and Kathy Walsh of Rosewood Heights and Andrew and Chala Walsh of Granite City; two step daughters, Erica Mourning and Megan Mourning both of Jerseyville; five grandchildren, who could do no wrong in his eyes, Charlie, Kennedy, Stella, Noah and William; a brother and sister in-law, Donald and Dee Walsh Jr. of Jerseyville; and a sister and brother in-law, Vickie and Dan Herlihey of Loveland, Co. his mother in-law, Barbara Meyer of Jerseyville; and three brothers in-law and a sister in-law, Jeff and Debbie Meyer, Tim Meyer and Chad Meyer all of Jerseyville.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday at the Crawford Funeral Home in Jerseyville.

A Mass of Christian Burial will take place at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church in Jerseyville, with Father Martin Smith officiating.

He will be laid to rest in the Oak Grove Cemetery in Jerseyville.

Memorials may be given to the Jersey Community High School FFA in care of the funeral home.

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