



Sam R. Purtee

April 9, 1958 - January 20, 2022

Sammy Ray Purtee, 63 years of age, of West Union, Ohio, passed away Thursday, January 20, 2022, at the Jewish Hospital-Mercy Health, in Cincinnati.

Sam was born on April 9, 1958, in Adams County, Ohio, the son of the late Charles and Claudia (Parker) Purtee. Sam worked as a heavy equipment operator for the John R Jurgensen Company. He belonged to the Operating Engineer Local #18, in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Sam was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his wife, Diana (Setty) Purtee, whom he married on April 9, 1983. He also leaves two daughters, Sammie Purtee, of West Union; and Heather (Heath) Smart, of Seaman; as well as a brother, Bob (Rita) Purtee, of Peebles; and a sister, Tammy Purtee, of Georgetown, Ohio. Sam will be missed by his four grandchildren, Ainsley, Ellie, Alle, and Halle.

Sam's wishes were to be cremated. The family is planning a memorial service to be held at a later date.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by the Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home. Please visit us at www.wallacethompsonfuneralhomes.com to sign our online guestbook.

Tribute Wall

RS

“ *My prayers and thoughts are with you all.
Sam was a good man and always had a smile
on his face.*



ReSheena Shiveley - February 04, 2022 at 11:54 PM

JS

“ *Condolences to the Sam Purtee family. Sorry to hear of his passing.*

Jim & Melody Stapleton

Jim & Melody Stapleton - February 01, 2022 at 09:45 PM

PR

“ *Dear Purtee Family,
Keeping each of you in our thoughts and prayers at this time.
Sincerely,*

Phil and Vicki Rhonemus - January 31, 2022 at 10:52 AM

RR

“ *Sam was my boyhood friend. I used to love staying out in the
country, chopping down trees, swimming in the pond or the creek,
shooting BB guns, and yes, Monday mornings meant we were in the
tobacco patch, each with a hoe in hand. I learned a lot about life
from the Purtees.*

Rob Rice - January 27, 2022 at 07:52 AM

JH

“ *Diana, my thoughts are with you and your daughters and grandchildren.*



Jennifer Ashworth Hendrix - January 26, 2022 at 03:05 PM

LJ

“ *Cousin Sam, I'll see you on the other side.*

Cousin Bob

Lisa Johnson - January 25, 2022 at 02:46 PM

LJ

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you. He will deeply be missed. He is in our hearts forever.*

Tom Shiveley family

Bubby Babe , Cousin Bob , Lisa and Haylee

Lisa Johnson - January 25, 2022 at 02:42 PM

BS

“ *Diana, I'm so sorry. My words aren't sufficient for the sorrow I feel for you and your family.*



Betty Stephenson - January 24, 2022 at 11:38 PM

PC

“ *Your all in our thoughts and prayers!! Pam, Criss and family*

Pam and Criss - January 24, 2022 at 03:30 PM

PS

“ *Sam was a great person and will be greatly missed in our neighborhood. Sympathy is extended to his family.
Pat Stevens.*

Pat Stevens - January 24, 2022 at 08:56 AM



“ *There are so many memories, I don't know where to begin. One thing is for sure, I will cherish them forever. In a world of so much diversion and conflict, it's good to call people like Sam, your brother. A man that had a heart as big as a river barge and shared it with anyone and everyone in need. Brother, I hope to sit down in that swing on the porch with you in Heaven some day and we can talk about it. You will be missed here on S. Washington St.*

Todd Thatcher - January 24, 2022 at 08:33 AM

CD

“ *We are extending our deepest sympathy to all of the family. Another soul taken out way to soon. Love and Prayers for all for strength and comfort. A special "love you" to Sammie. (Carol Daniel)*

Carol & Tim Daniel - January 24, 2022 at 08:27 AM

LO

“ So sorry for y'all's loss . Sam was a good person . Always kind.
My prayers all with everyone involved,
Lori Case Osborne



Lori Case Osborne - January 24, 2022 at 03:08 AM

KE

“ Sam was always such a nice guy. Such a great friend on our bus in our high school years. I remember when the bus wrecked on 781, hearing how Sam jumped into action to get the little kids out to safety. Prayers for the family. ❤️🙏

Kathleen Baker Eagleston - January 23, 2022 at 08:58 PM

TS

Sam was a bonus brother to me, we had lots of wonderful memories made. He was my Elvis, if he had black hair when he was young, I think he looked just like him. He bought me 45 records of Elvis that I still have. Prayers and love sent your way. Tonya Smalley Swayne

Tonya Swayne - January 23, 2022 at 10:01 PM

MM

SAM WAS A GREAT NEIGHBOR AND FRIEND. I HAVE MANY MEMORIES FROM MY CHILDHOOD OF HIM AND MY DAD, TOM MIHALOVICH WORKING ON SAMS 57 CHEVYS AND I ALSO REMEMBER BEING ON THE BUS WHEN IT WRECKED ON 781. I WAS IN 3RD GRADE AND SAM & VON FOSTER GOT THE BACK DOOR OPEN TO HELP US KIDS GET OUT BECAUSE THE BUS HAD ROLLED. I REMEMBER HIM PULLING ME AND TAMMY ON AN OLD CAR HOOD IN THE FIELD, IN HIS JEEP AFTER A BIG SNOW. GOOD TIMES AND GREAT MEMORIES!
REST IN PEACE AND SAY HEY TO MY DADDY PLEASE.
LOVE AND PRAYERS SENT TO ALL THE PURTEE FAMILY!💕🙏

MELISSA MIHALOVICH - January 24, 2022 at 07:43 AM

KB

“ Thoughts and prayers for everyone!



Ketta Burns - January 23, 2022 at 08:05 PM

JW

Great cousin, will be sadly missed
Ronnie Whitley and Joyce

Joyce Whitley - January 23, 2022 at 08:55 PM

PM

“ Sam had a sense of humor like no other. We have so many memories of him that we'll cherish forever. He will be sadly missed! He was a dear friend and a great neighbor❤️

paula mciintosh - January 23, 2022 at 07:59 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Sam R. Purtee.



January 23, 2022 at 07:40 PM

TM

“ RIP to our Friend & 1976 Classmate , Prayers for the Family
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Terry Myers - January 23, 2022 at 07:34 PM