## David W. "Dave" Sykie Sr.(1960 - 2018)



GILMANTON – David "Dave" W. Sykie Sr., 58, of Gilmanton, died on Sunday, September 16, 2018, after a hard-fought battle with cancer, at home with his loving family by his side.

Dave was born on April 11, 1960 in Laconia, the son of the late John J. and June R. (Bowles) Sykie. Dave was a life time resident of the Lakes Region. He served six years with the United States Army. After serving in the Army, Dave worked in the concrete business for several years.

He then changed careers and began working for the Gilford School District, and then became the Facility Director for the Gilmanton Elementary School, where he continued to work until he

passed. Dave loved his job and took great pride in his work.

Dave had many hobbies, which included camping, fishing, hunting, golfing, bowling, cribbage, and gardening. His greatest joy was spending as much time with the love of his life "Sal Girl" and with his son, and pride and joy, "Buddy Boy." The three of them had such a special bond and were inseparable. He loved to spend as much time outdoors as possible. Most of all, Dave

cherished his time with family and friends. Dave will be remembered for his hard work, his willingness to help others, and a great sense of humor. Dave brought life to any room he entered and made a friend anywhere he went. Dave leaves behind his best friend, and wife of 29 years, Sally (Fournier) Sykie; and his son, David Sykie Jr.; two brothers, John Sykie and his wife, Tammy; and Darren Sykie; three sisters, Rebecca Eveleth; Marcia Rouillard and her husband, Greek; and Juanita Baker; a brother-in-law, Craig Fournier and his wife, Kathy; his father-in-law, Cyr Fournier and his wife, Helen; and several nieces and nephews, and great nieces and nephews. Dave also leaves behind his sidekick, Tucker, who enjoyed going for rides with him. In addition to his parents, Dave is predeceased by his sister, Lenora "Peggy" Baud.

Calling hours will be held on Thursday, September 20, 2018 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Wilkinson-Beane-Simoneau-Paquette Funeral Home, 164 Pleasant Street, Laconia, N.H., using the Carriage House entrance.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Friday, September 21, 2018 at 11 a.m. at the St. Joseph Parish, 96 Main Street, Belmont, N.H.

For those who wish, the family suggests that memorial donations may be made to Concord Regional VNA, 30 Pillsbury Street, Concord, NH 03301 or to the New Hampshire Veteran's Home, 139 Winter Street, Tilton, NH 03276. Wilkinson-Beane-Simoneau-Paquette Funeral Home & Cremation Services, 164 Pleasant Street, Laconia, N.H., is assisting the family with the arrangements. For more information and to view an online memorial go to wilkinsonbeane.com.

## **Funeral Home**

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