



Bret Steven Gumpert

January 15, 1960 - January 2, 2023

Bret S Gumpert

Age 62

Grand Junction

Bret Gumpert was born in South Haven, MI on January 15, 1960 and passed away on January 2, 2023, in his home in Grand Junction, MI, surrounded by loving family.

Bret was born to Edward and Donna (Harris) Gumpert and was raised in South Haven, Michigan on their family farm. He graduated from South Haven High School in 1978. He lived in Wyoming and Montana during the years of 1981 to 1987, after which he returned to the west Michigan area to raise his family. He became a welder early on and continued that trade through his life, as did some of his sons.

Anyone who knew Bret knew that he loved the simple life. He was an avid outdoorsman and loved all things outdoors including hunting, trapping, fishing and farming. He always made sure to pass on his love for and knowledge of the outdoors with his family. He also held a deep love for the west and the mountains, and the cowboy way of life. He was proud to be an American and wanted our country to succeed with everything in him. Everyone knew it was important to Bret to support our country, and he honorably served his country

as a member of the U. S. Army National Guard. He was preceded in service by his father, and was followed in service by two of his children.

Bret had a vivacious way of living life. Everyone who knew Bret knew he had a mischievous sparkle in his eyes and was always singing, joking around, and telling stories. Bret taught his kids to live life in a big way, and was always up for a good adventure. It was important to Bret to raise hard working children who could persevere and were self sufficient. He loved to give a big, tight hug. Bret worked hard for his family. He always marched to the beat of his own drum did not appreciate anyone telling him what to do or how to do it.

Throughout his life, Bret was referred to in many ways. He was a son and a brother. He would go on to become an extremely talented welder, and as they say in the trades “he could weld anything from the crack of dawn to a broken heart.” He would become a husband, a father, and a grandfather, and he considered himself a follower of the teachings of Christ.

Bret is survived and missed by his children Natalie Gumpert, Ethan Gumpert, Wyatt Gumpert, Eric Gumpert, Haley Gumpert, Jessica (Raymond) Moss, James (Elizabeth) Gumpert, Tasha (Philip) Saladin, Tiffany (Ali) Semis, and Brandon Gumpert, and his 3 brothers, Mark (April) Gumpert, Dave (Deb) Gumpert and Eddie (Lisa) Gumpert. His memory lives on through his 7 granddaughters and 4 grandsons.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

The family will meet friends on Friday, January 6th from 11am until time of funeral services at 1pm at the Bangor Chapel, D. L. Miller Funeral Home. Interment will follow in Chambers Cemetery. Luncheon provided after cemetery service, roughly 3 o'clock at Geneva township hall 62127 county Road 380. Bangor, Michigan 49013. Please come celebrate his life with us!

The community has graciously provided a very large lunch and we would love nothing more than a large gathering to celebrate Bret. In lieu of flowers please consider assisting the family with expenses. https://www.gofundme.com/f/the-kids-with-brets-funeral-and-burial?utm_medium=email&utm_source=product&utm_campaign=p_email%2Bbeneficiary_invitation

Cemetery Details

Chambers Cemetery

Phoenix Road West of CR 687
South Haven, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 6. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Bangor Chapel
258 West Monroe Street
Bangor, MI

Service

JAN 6. 1:00 PM (ET)

Bangor Chapel
258 West Monroe Street
Bangor, MI

Tribute Wall

DN

“ *Dawn Newburry lit a candle in memory of Bret Steven Gumpert*



Dawn Newburry - January 05, 2023 at 05:53 PM

RG

What a guy, I love you Bret! You will be in my heart forever. ❤️

Robin Gibson - January 06, 2023 at 10:17 AM

DS

“ *Eddie, Dave and Mark, our sympathy on the loss of your youngest brother.
Your parents were our good friends and neighbors. You four boys were a
Lively bunch of playmates with Marian, Irene and Charlie. You and
all your families are in our prayers. Dorothy Gregory Stennett*

Dorothy Gregory Stennett - January 05, 2023 at 05:39 PM



“ *Father - Large Memorial Stone was purchased for the family of Bret Steven Gumpert.*



January 05, 2023 at 03:53 PM

MS

“ I'm very sorry to hear of Bret's passing. We were all friends when we were young and had a lot of fun together.

Marian Rose Schaaf - January 05, 2023 at 03:48 PM

LL

“ Love, Grandpa and Grandma Larion purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Bret Steven Gumpert.



Love, Grandpa and Grandma Larion - January 05, 2023 at 02:54 PM

VJ

“ My Condolences to the family of Bret, he was always a kind person and great classmate. Prayers are with you at this difficult time.

Vera Jackson - January 05, 2023 at 12:53 PM

Jl

“ Jessica, Ray and Family, so sorry for your loss. We are praying for you all. Love, Sam and Jill Hendrickson

Jill - January 05, 2023 at 12:49 PM



“ 41 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



D.L. Miller Funeral Home - January 05, 2023 at 12:33 PM

TB

“ *Tim Brinks lit a candle in memory of Bret Steven Gumpert*



Tim Brinks - January 05, 2023 at 11:14 AM

RM

“ *Sorry to hear of your loss, we will meet again in that heavenly home...Rick McDougald.*

Richard McDougald - January 04, 2023 at 05:56 PM

DQ

“ *Thinking of my friends Mark and Travis today. Doug and Sandra.*

Doug Quinn - January 03, 2023 at 09:38 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Bret Steven Gumpert.*



January 03, 2023 at 05:37 PM



“ *Mark And April lit a candle in memory of Bret Steven Gumpert*



Mark and April - January 03, 2023 at 03:16 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Bret Steven Gumpert.*



January 03, 2023 at 09:37 AM