



Daniel Jeffrey Updike

May 10, 1951 - March 13, 2022

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Obituary

Daniel Jeffrey Updike, age 70, passed away at his home, surrounded by family on Sunday, March 13, 2022. He was born in Greenville on May 10, 1951, the son of William and Betty Updike. Dan is survived by his wife of 47 years, Catherine (Porter) Updike; children, Brian Updike, Jennifer (Chris) Town, and Molly Updike; grandchildren, Justin Belding, Madison (Micah) Bouman, and Bree Town; sisters, Rosalie Lee, Kristina (Mosey) Mueller, Mary (Allyn) McCartney, Angie (Greg) Gillmer, and Amy (Chris) Butler; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents. For 44 years, Dan worked as a tool and die maker for Greenville Tool and Die. Dan was not an ordinary guy, he loved all things mechanical. He was a master aluminum caster and craftsman. His ability to create was truly amazing. Not only did Dan like to build things, but he also liked to know how they worked. He had a unique interest in antique cars, motorcycles, and tractors. Over the years, Dan collected many items, anything from cereal boxes to collectors' coins, although his unusual interests didn't stop there. He was a member of the Freak Bike Militia, where he shared his passion for odd and unusual bicycles with other members of the Freak Bike community. Dan often crafted his own unorthodox bicycles to share and ride during tours. He had been riding bike for over 30 years, participating in many cycling events. His favorite rides included the National 24 Hour Challenge where he accumulated over 5,000 miles which was recognized with a jacket. He also loved the Iceman and DALMAC rides. Dan was passionate about donating blood and helping others. He donated over 28 gallons of blood and was excited to know he could help others by donating his brain to the MSU research brain bank. Hurst Funeral Home is serving the family. In lieu of flowers, memorial contribution may be directed to CurePSP to help people like Dan find a cure for Neurodegeneration.

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