



George Puskas

March 24, 1943 - December 7, 2020

George Puskas, age 77, of Concord Twp., passed away December 7, 2020. He was born in Perry, OH, on March 24, 1943, to the late George and Hazel Puskas.

He was a proud and loving husband, father, and grandfather, and friend who will be greatly missed by all who knew him. George dedicated 50 years in the automotive industry as a mechanic. He raced at Painesville Speedway for many years, he was proudly inducted into the Hall of Fame at the racetrack in 2019. He enjoyed watching racing especially, Nascar and going to Raceway 7. George also loved the outdoors and in his free time would take many nature walks.

George is survived by his loving and devoted wife of 57 years, Charlene Puskas, son Gary Puskas, granddaughters Tiffanie and Stephanie Puskas, sister Betty (Tony) Gullo, brother-in-law Terry York and long-time cherished friends Doug Jacklin, George (Helen) Primbas, Tom (Kip) Bushman, Robert (Heather) Burry Shellie Brammer and Greg Stankiewicz. He was preceded in death by his son Thomas Puskas.

Visitation will be on Monday, December 14, 2020 from 4 to 8pm at Monreal Srnick Funeral Home.

Visitation will also be held on Tuesday, December 15, 2020 from 4 to 8pm at Monreal Srnick Funeral Home, 35400 Curtis Blvd., Eastlake.

Tribute Wall



“ I have known George all of my life. He was raised on the old Foster Estate across the street from our Redbrook Farm in Perry. We have known each other for 77 years with George being 4 days older than me. When we were kids one winter George was racing his dad's old car on the Foster estate and slide it onto a frozen pond and couldn't it off. He came running over to our farm and got me with our old Ferguson tractor to come over and help him get the car off of the pond which I was able to accomplish. We both caught hell for me taking the tractor on the pond to pull him off. God was looking out for both of us that day when we didn't put both the car and the tractor in the pond through broken ice.

George was a real lifetime friend and will be missed for the rest of my life.

John Sivon

John Sivon - December 14, 2020 at 04:01 PM

MW

“ I’ve known George for almost 30 years. It’s hard to believe it has been that long. I met him by chance when I was 16 years old and had an old Chevrolet that needed a heater core. I always had an interest in mechanical things and we hit it off pretty well. I spent a lot of time in the garage with him in the late 1990’s and we worked on cars and he taught me a lot about life and people. When I decided I wanted to race at Painesville Speedway he helped me with the car, found a nice set of heads and camshaft that an 18 year old could afford and showed me how to put it together. We had lots of adventures together towing cars and hauling machinery. We went to Raceway 7, Lorain Speedway and used to watch the races on Sunday. Charlene always made over easy eggs and toast. I left the area back in the late 1990’s but would still stop by when I was in town. The world around changed a lot but that place always stayed the same. George has been a good friend and was a mentor for me and I use things that he thought me in that garage on Prouty Rd in my life to this day. He was one of the hardest working people I have ever known and he could fix just about anything. I’ll really miss him.



Mike Willmam - December 13, 2020 at 06:22 PM

JD

“ I am so sorry for your loss Char God Bless

joan drake - December 13, 2020 at 05:42 PM

DB

“ *Don J. Brown purchased the Rose Tribute for the family of George Puskas.*



Don J. Brown - December 12, 2020 at 12:17 PM

FB

“ *From Tom, Kib and Wes Buschman purchased the Love's Tapestry for the family of George Puskas.*



From Tom, Kib and Wes Buschman - December 10, 2020 at 09:54 PM

TB

“ It is an honor to have been George's friend. I met George in the early 70s when he opened the Arco gas station in Perry. For 30 or more years we spent every Saturday evening together, coming home from the bar at closing time with a 6-pack to go, then staying up till 3 or 4 am.

He was the hardest worker I've ever met. Never missing a day, he worked at his gas station till late at night, then opened again first thing in the morning even after our Saturday night drinkfests.

He was without doubt one of the very best mechanics of his generation. He could diagnose in seconds car problems that baffled other mechanics. Sometimes he could tell by the sound. Sometimes he'd grab the spark plug wires and gauge the problem based on the shock he did or did not get.

We both enjoyed boating and have camped and boated on waterways from the Niagara River and Ohio River, to Lake Erie and local rivers. Every year for the past 15 or so we've boated up the Grand to a bridge that we would hike from. He loved those hikes.

I will truly miss my dear friend.

Tom Buschman

Tom Buschman - December 10, 2020 at 09:25 PM

TB

“ 2 files added to the album Memories from Tom Buschman



Tom Buschman - December 10, 2020 at 08:55 PM