



Forrest Butcher

February 7, 1932 - November 16, 2017

Forrest Harlan Butcher, 85, of Potterville, died peacefully on Thursday, November 16, 2017 in Charlotte. Forrest was born February 7, 1932, the son of John Lee and Audrey Viola (Brown) Butcher. He graduated from Breckenridge High School before enlisting in the National Guard. Forrest went to work for Oldsmobile in 1963, retiring as a General Motors employee after over 30 years in 1997. Forrest loved animals and adopted several dogs from the local shelter. He enjoyed time spent with his family on his motorcycle, and he rode until his health declined in 2015. Above all, Forrest loved his grandchildren.

He is survived by 9 children, Kim Butcher, Leigh Ann (Dan) Thompson, Brian Butcher, Kelly (Martin) Smith, Bobbi (Chris) Youngs, Roger (Jean) Bachelder, Kim (Dave) St. John, Randy Bachelder, and Wendy (James) Morgan; 21 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; brother, Doug (Marge) Butcher; sister, Jean (Hank) Morrow; and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by 2 brothers, Gilbert Butcher and Lowell Butcher; and granddaughter, Jamie Ladisky.

A private memorial gathering will be held at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to the Eaton County Humane Society. Friends and family are encouraged to share memories of Forrest on his/her Tribute Page at www.PrayFuneral.com. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

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Marilyn Butcher - November 20, 2017 at 12:14 PM



“ I have so many memories of him seeing he's my dad that I don't know where to begin. So I guess I will start with my very first memory. He built our house in Wheeler when I was only about two. About the only thing I remember about it was that he let me follow him around with my hand in his back pocket. I asked my mom to make sure it was a true memory because I was so young & she confirmed it. He was a very patient, loving dad. I have a ton of memories flooding my mind right now.

leigh ann Butcher Thompson - November 18, 2017 at 05:45 PM



“ Sorry for your loss.

Fred Kester - November 19, 2017 at 04:55 PM



“ I didn't meet him until after Chris and Bobbi got together. Maybe he wasn't so quiet earlier in life, but the Ford I knew was SO quiet... I could probably write down all of our dialogue from family gatherings over the years on one page, lol! He always accepted whatever dessert I offered and disappeared soon after. But, his eyes spoke volumes when he would visit Erica, Brendan and Marlee! He was always out shopping for something they might like (probably the reason Chris and Bobbi had to buy a house with a barn for storage, ha, ha), and would greedily watch them play for a bit. I forgot, he was always bringing something for Chris and Bobbi, too. I know his healthy presence has been missed by them for quite sometime. My prayers are with you all

Debbie Johncock - November 18, 2017 at 09:01 AM



“ Too many, but I always remember going to the Devil's Soup Bowl with Ford. That, and hearing about the time he left a Halloween mask on his work out bench and sent Bobbi to get something for him. I guess she had quite the surprise. As did the girls when he went to pick up a pizza and walked in with it under arms.....sideways.

Kimberly St John - November 17, 2017 at 10:05 PM