FRED GERSTACKER III

Age 53, of Monroeville, Pennsylvania, passed away on Thursday, November 23, 2023. He was born on May 2, 1970, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Fred, also known as George, is survived by his loving wife of 28 years, Natalie; and his beloved sons, Adam and Eli. He was the son of Carol Gerstacker and brother of Robin (Gerstacker) Buechel, Fred will be deeply missed by his mother, sister, many dear nieces and nephews, and his beloved companions, Lou and Cairo. Fred dedicated 37 years of his life to serving others. He worked as a paramedic, firefighter, and 911 dispatcher. His commitment to helping those in need extended beyond his professional career. Fred volunteered in various capacities, including as a rescue diver and instructor. He was passionate about educating first responders and teaching fire safety, often accompanied by his beloved dog Lou. Fred's dedication and selflessness earned him numerous awards and accolades, including several life-saving awards. Outside of his service, Fred was a devoted family-oriented man. He cherished attending his son Adam's band concerts, shows, color guard performances, and musicals. He also enjoyed attending hockey games with his wife, often catching the attention of the crowd with his "GO PENS" sign displayed proudly on the jumbotron. In his free time, Fred indulged in riding his motorcycle, trying different coffees and hot sauces with his son, and engaging in activities like dead pool and watching movies. The JOBE FUNERAL HOME is honored to assist the Gerstacker family during this difficult time. Family and friends are welcome on Sunday, November 26, 2023, from 12 p.m. - 5 p.m at Jobe Funeral Home and Crematory, Inc. Plum Chapel, at 445 Beatty Rd. Monroeville, PA 15146.

412-856-4747.

A Fireman's Service will take place at the funeral home on Sunday, November 26, 2023, at 4:45 p.m. Fred's family is very appreciative of all the love and support from family, friends, co-workers, and community. Fred Gerstacker III will be remembered for his unwavering dedication to serving others and his love for his family. His impact on the lives he touched will be cherished forever. May his soul find eternal peace. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Holiday Park Volunteer Fire Department at 415 Old Abers Creek Rd., Pittsburgh, PA 15239 (724-327-3456). Please add or view tributes at:

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