



**John H. Bastien**  
**1953 - 2016**

John H. Bastien, 62, of Monroe, died April 17, 2016. John was born November 26, 1953, in Monroe, to Howard and Shirley (Clutts) Bastien. He was a loving son, father, brother, uncle, cousin and friend.

John was a wild and free spirit who enjoyed life to the fullest during his time on Earth. He always had his sweetheart, ride or die, his companion in life, Angie, by his side. Long road trips to the west coast, simple rides to the north or just spending time with family and friends. John always had a humorous and joking personality that enveloped everyone around him, by his kind words to someone dealing with life's lessons or creating a fun atmosphere at family gatherings and social events. John sponsored the Dingman Home Improvement softball team during the 90's. Anybody familiar with softball knows that this is a huge part of many people's lives and this team was well known for their multiple championships in not only the State of Michigan, but all over the country. John was a brother to many siblings, some that had no relation in any way, but not just a brother, but one who viewed siblings and family as a bond like no other. A brother who followed the footsteps of his father, family first. If tough times arose, he was there for you. And that resonated through everyone he came in contact with, so when rough times came by him he was always surrounded by those same people to help lift him up. John lived life to the fullest and his spirit will carry on as he will always be remembered as a wild, but gentle soul.

He is survived by his mother, Shirley Bastien; his step-mother, Marylou Bastien; three children, Alicia (Keith) Kaminski, Jason (Nikki) Bastien, Shalyn (Ryan) Young; and five precious grandchildren; siblings, Lynette (Kevin) Curtis, Kathy (Jack) Maedel, Steve

(Cindy) Drouilliard, Laurie (Rick) Bellestri, Joe Douillard, Jill (Doug) Elliot, Jim (Rhonda) Drouillard, Sharon (Greg) Freeman, Julia Shotwell, Alex Bastien.

He was preceded in death by his father, Howard; his loving partner, Angela Young; and brothers, Paul Bastien and David Drouillard.

A celebration of John's life will be on Friday, April 22, 2016. Friends may call at the Capaul Funeral Home, Ida, from 12-9 PM, with services at 8 PM. Rev Ben Haus of Heritage Baptist Church, Rockwood will be officiating. Cremation will follow.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the family for funeral expenses.

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