



Alfred "Freddie" J. Hopf

March 6, 1935 - March 20, 2023

Alfred J. "Freddie" Hopf, age 88, of Jasper, Indiana, passed away at 8:38 p.m. on Monday, March 20, 2023, in St. Charles Health Campus in Jasper, Indiana.

Freddie was born in Jasper, Indiana, on March 6, 1935, to Martin and Amelia (Sermersheim) Hopf. He married Anna Mae Stenftenagel on September 8, 1956, in St. Joseph Catholic Church. She preceded him in death on March 24, 2019.

He was a lifelong farmer, coal miner, entertainer, and musician/singer

He had a party for everything. He was known for his jokes and entertainment. He and his band, "Freddie, Ray J and the Boys," would play at nursing homes, the Shamrock, and other local events. He hosted turnip kraut making parties and was an avid IU basketball fan.

Freddie enjoyed fish frys, the Hopf Park, and had a colorful painting ability. He adored his cat, Clarence, and spending time with his family, friends, and grandchildren. He enjoyed his antique tractor collection and displayed them PROUDLY on holidays and parades.

He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, the Ireland K of C, and the Jasper Moose.

He is survived by, three daughters; Kanda (Greg) Merkley, Wadesville, IN, Edith "Edie" (Fred) DeKemper- Chapman, Jasper, IN, Tracey (Patrick) Gutgsell, St. Anthony, IN, two sons; Brad (Rhonda) Hopf, Jasper, IN, Rodney "Louie" (Katrina) Hopf, Jasper, IN, 11 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, one sister; Janice (Bob) Nordhoff, one brother; William (Kathy) Hopf, brother-in-law; Ted Bartley, and lifelong childhood friend; Ray "Ray J" Lechner, and his beloved cat, Clarence.

Preceding him in death besides his wife, are four sisters; Cyrilla Schroeder, Dorothy Bartley, Monica Schuetter and Joan Knies.

A Mass of Christian Burial for Alfred J. "Freddie" Hopf will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, March 24, 2023, in St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Jasper, Indiana, with burial to follow in Fairview Cemetery in Jasper.

A visitation will be held from 9:00 a.m. until the 11:00 a.m. (service time) at St. Joseph Catholic Church on Friday.

The family would like to extend a special thanks to Heart-to-Heart Hospice and St. Charles Health Campus for their caring and comforting staff. Freddie would always say he loved the staff and residents that became close friends.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Joseph's Catholic Church, the Dubois County Humane Society, or to a favorite charity.

Online condolences may be made at www.becherkluesner.com.

Cemetery Details

Fairview Cemetery

1020 Kundek Street
Jasper, IN 47546

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 24. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St Joseph Catholic Church
1029 Kundek Street
Jasper, IN 47546

Mass of Christian Burial

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Tribute Wall

JK

“ My Mom asked that Freddie sing at her funeral. We were honored that he fulfilled her request. May he rest in peace. My condolences to the family.

Joan Eckerle Knies - March 27, 2023 at 09:15 PM

TC

“ My mom, Judy Senninger, always enjoyed his music. She and Kathy Hopf would dance to every song when they played at the old VFW and would hoop and holler to the songs and he would hoop and holler right back! He also sang the Our Father at the funeral home when my grandma Dorothy (Hopf) Senninger passed away. That was a special request of hers and he was happy to oblige in Jan 2007. He will be greatly missed. His type of music was still the best and mom holds fond memories of his band's performances.

Traci Catt - March 27, 2023 at 10:08 AM

CB

“ We are sending our love and care in the sadness of Freddie passing on to eternal life. What a wonderful laugh and a man who thoroughly enjoyed life! Loved looking at his great tractors. He was proud. ❤️ Catherine and Kurt and Sarah Bartley

Catherine E Bartley - March 22, 2023 at 02:51 PM

BB

“ Praying for the family and going to miss you old friend



Brian Bachman - March 22, 2023 at 12:42 PM

CH

“ *My sincere sympathy and prayers to the Hopf family. May he enjoy eternal rest with your beloved mother. He definitely will be missed.*



Chris Bohnert Hinkle - March 22, 2023 at 08:13 AM

MS

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with all of Alfred's family (my dad Bill, and all my cousins and families). Alfred was a good man and a good entertainer. What I loved most is when he sang the "Our Father" . Love and prayers,
The Mary and Dave Schmidt family*

Mary Schmidt - March 21, 2023 at 09:53 PM

PR

“ *thoughts and prayers to the whole family.....he was a fine man.....God Bless*



patrick renner - March 21, 2023 at 07:46 PM

CB

“*Freddie knew how to throw a party!
Always enjoyed visiting Freddie and Mae on our Summer Trips to Indiana as kids. Freddie and Mae always welcomed us into their home and loved sharing “The Farmer’s Experience” with us kids from Las Vegas. I think back on those visits quite fondly and quite often.
You are missed.
-Chris Bueltel*

Chris Bueltel - March 21, 2023 at 05:19 PM

TK

We enjoyed Freddie and his band and shared lots of fun times with them. Our sincere sympathy to the family. He was one of a kind!

TOM KELLAMS - March 26, 2023 at 04:34 PM