



Frank William Wayne Prater

December 8, 1967 - March 9, 2026

Mr. Frank William Wayne Prater, age 58, of Shelbyville passed this life suddenly Monday, March 9, 2026. He was born December 8, 1967 in Indianapolis, Indiana. Frank is preceded in death by his parents, Frank William Wayne Prater and Mary Frances Bain; stepdad, Henry B. Bain; brother, Steve Henry Bain; and sister, Lisa Kay Prater. He worked at Bedford Tack for 23 years as a Leather Tech. Frank is known by his family as a fiddler or a handyman because he was always tinkering with things. He had a good sense of humor and was guaranteed to make you laugh. Frank's wife, Wanda was his pride and joy.

He is survived by his wife of 27 years (together for 37 years), Wanda (Dunn) Prater; children, Timothy (Bethany) Farliss, Rhonda (Mark) Wilhoite, David (Marlena) Stacey, and Maranda (Jason) Ray; sister, Mary Ruth Woods; 15 grandchildren, Lathan Farliss, Katie Farliss, Kayla Farliss, Aiden Speegle, Evan Wilhoite, Jason Ray, Zachary Ray, Ashlin Ray, Malachi Ray, Isaac Ray, Makyla Stacey, Stephanie Stacey, Kristen Stacey, and David "BooBoo" Stacey; 6 great grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends from 12 - 4 p.m. Friday, March 13th at Gowen-Smith Chapel. A funeral service will follow at 4 p.m. in the chapel with Mr. Jack Kwok officiating. In honoring Frank's request, he will be cremated after the services.

Gowen-Smith Chapel is honored to be serving the family of Frank William Wayne Prater.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 13. 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Feldhaus-Gowen-Smith Chapel
850 Union St.
Shelbyville, TN 37160
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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Feldhaus-Gowen-Smith Memorial Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Frank William Wayne Prater*



Feldhaus-Gowen-Smith Memorial Chapel - March 12 at 01:23 PM



Rest in Peace Frank you are a great Man and A Wonderful Husband and Father ❤️💕 Until We See You Again Because this is not Goodbye it's We will see you Later.

Sherrie Blalock - March 12 at 10:24 PM

SC

“ *Sharon Cole lit a candle in memory of Frank William Wayne Prater*



Sharon Cole - March 13 at 01:00 PM

DD

“ *Uncle Frank i love you and am going to miss you go get your rest*



Daphne Dunn - March 12 at 03:38 AM

MS

“ You were a loving and caring man papa you are now at peace up in heaven we love you so much thank you for raising me we miss you everyday ❤️❤️

Makyla Stacey - March 12 at 01:48 AM