



Sylvester "Sam" Burleigh

May 20, 1951 - December 30, 2025

Sylvester Samuel "Sam" Burleigh, age 74, passed away peacefully at home with his daughter and granddaughters by his side.

He is survived by his two children, Samantha and Jamie, and by many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Samantha is the mother of two daughters, Tabatha and Emalee. Tabatha has two children, Rayah and Kolton. Jamie also has children and grandchildren.

Sam graduated from Port Huron High School and earned his degree in Machine Repair from St. Clair County Community College. He retired from Chrysler in 2013 after a long and accomplished career. He was a certified vehicle mechanic and a certified Harley-Davidson mechanic, blending his professional skill with his lifelong passion for motorcycles.

A devoted motorcycle enthusiast, Sam loved riding his Harley-Davidson and embraced the freedom of the open road throughout his life. He was also an avid ham radio operator, where he had a large following and made many dear friends within that community.

Sam also had a deep love for music. He was a talented drummer, played guitar, and could even sit down at a keyboard and play with ease. Music was another way he expressed his creativity and spirit.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Lyndon F. Burleigh Sr. and Betty J. Phillips, who shared a long life together. He is survived by his brothers, Lyndon F. Burleigh Jr. (Kay) and Ellery Burleigh, along with his extended family.

Sam will be remembered for his sharp wit, lively humor, and the wild, free-spirited energy that defined him. He left a lasting impression on everyone who knew him.

Services will be private.

Arrangements in care of Jowett Funeral Home - Port Huron

Tribute Wall

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“ *Sam was our neighbor and someone we truly enjoyed knowing. He always took the time to chat, and even in the short year we lived next to him, we shared many special memories. We are holding his family close in our thoughts and prayers.* ”

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