



Howell Holman "Butch" Gross, Jr.

September 25, 1953 - May 21, 2020

Howell Holman "Butch" Gross Jr., 66, of Indianapolis, passed away May 21, 2020. He was born September 25, 1953 in Detroit, Michigan to Howell H. Gross and Wanda Foster Gross. Butch was a graduate of McMinn Central High School, Class of 1971. He married Debra J. Troxell, September 21, 1973. Butch worked as a supervisor for NAPA Balkamp for 48 years and also for Dairy Queen. Butch was a member of Franklin Road Church of Christ. Visitation will be Wednesday, May 27, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. until time of service at 2:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel, 9606 E. Washington Street.

Butch is survived by his wife of 46 years, Debbie J. Gross; son, Jason L. Gross (Tammy); daughter, Autumn H. Kern (Matthew); eight grandchildren, Michael B. Gross, Candace K. Gross (Red River), Dakota Trapper Gross (Sarah Gross), Cora J. McCutchen (Austin Strawn), Darien Billingsley (Austin), Kendra P. Kern, Mackenzie R. Kern, Brianah I. Kern; five great-grandchildren, Naomi, Mireya, Colton, Red Eagle, Red Fox; five sisters, Pam Madden, Jeanette Foster, Katie Wallace, Barbara Gross, and Maxine Roberts (Bill); and two brothers, Nolan Gross (Hilda) and Quince Gross. A sister, Kittie Tucker and a brother, Tracy Gross, preceded him in death.

Cemetery Details

Washington Park East

10612 E. Washington St.
Indianapolis, IN 46229

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 27. 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel
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(317) 897-9606
<https://shirleybrothers.com/>

Funeral Service


MAY 27. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

CG

“ *Debbie,
I'm so sorry for your loss I knew I had not
seen you or Butch out at the stores for at
least a couple of years. I'm sorry I didn't know
sooner you are in my prayers. I think of you
often and had always enjoyed seeing you guys . Please take care of
yourself and know you are loved.*



Cathy Redden Gray

Cathy Gray - December 26, 2021 at 05:31 PM

TJ

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts.*

Sweet Molly Purebread (Teresa Jones)

Teresa Jones - May 28, 2020 at 08:56 AM

VR

“ *Debbie & Family, You are all in our thoughts. He was a wonderful
man & will be missed by many. Debbie & Butch was the ones that
welcomed us to the neighborhood 12 years ago, then became our
friends. Love you Debbie & will be here for whatever you need. RIP
Butch!!!*

Valerie Roberts - May 27, 2020 at 02:52 PM

AM

“ I have recently worked with Butch for about 3 or 4 years at the Napa Balkamp Warehouse. He was always smiling and saying hi whenever we saw each other. He would bring us our pallets and would stop to talk or make a joke to make us laugh. I heard that he worked at Dairy queen early in the mornings and then would come and work full time at Napa which was very impressive. One of the things our coworkers would joke with him about was how much he could eat. He could eat about 2 or 3 plates at a time and dessert. I will miss seeing him when I visit the warehouse. The receiving department will never be the same without him.



Here is a Poem

A message from Heaven

*Perhaps you aren't ready yet
to have to say goodbye
perhaps you've thought of things
you wish you'd said*

*Well, so have I
for one thing , I'd have told you
not to worry about me
I'm with the Lord in Heaven now
you knew that's where I'd be*

*I'm sorry that you're feeling sad
for I'm so happy now*

*I've asked the Lord to ease the hurt
and comfort you somehow
It's hard at the beginning
but I know you'll make it though*

*I hope it helps to know that
I'll be waiting here for you*

Amanda - May 27, 2020 at 11:05 AM

AF

“ *Alana Fox lit a candle in memory of Howell Holman "Butch" Gross, Jr.*



Alana Fox - May 26, 2020 at 09:56 AM

CT

“ *Family came first to uncle butch. Then his jobs. He had two and worked at both for over 40 years. He was a good man and will be missed by his family and friends*

Chad Troxell - May 25, 2020 at 03:56 PM

KB

“ *We use to talk about our ford ecsports and the squeaking in the brakes.*

Kathy Burton - May 24, 2020 at 04:24 PM

RR

“ *Rebecca & Anthony Raftery purchased the Garden Accent - A heart of gold stopped beating... for the family of Howell Holman "Butch" Gross, Jr..*



Rebecca & Anthony Raftery - May 23, 2020 at 12:36 PM

CD

“ *Butch was a long time co worker and friend. He hated using the scanning guns and would always walk over to me to sign him in or get to the right screen. He was a hard worker and had a humor that you had to know to understand. Gonna miss this big lug. R.I.P.*

connie dennemann - May 23, 2020 at 11:54 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Howell Holman "Butch" Gross, Jr..*



May 23, 2020 at 10:47 AM

RM

“ *I remember when I worked at Balkamp many, many years ago and met Butch. I was a little scared of him at first, but quickly learned he would do anything to help anyone. One Sunday he and his family came to Northeast Church of Christ to visit and I learned he was not just a good man, but also a Godly man. I hope the family can draw on their memories of Butch and let God hold them close in his living arms. My prayers are with you.*

Rhonda Morgan - May 23, 2020 at 08:06 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Howell Holman "Butch" Gross, Jr..*



May 22, 2020 at 10:02 PM

JS

“ May God's loving arms surround your family with comfort and peace.

Jennifer Strawn ❤️🙏

Jennifer Strawn - May 22, 2020 at 06:01 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Howell Holman "Butch" Gross, Jr..



May 22, 2020 at 03:48 PM

TM

“ Autumn, Debbie and Cora~
I am so sorry to hear about Butch! We have great memories of camping and hanging out. He was always funny and sweet. Caleb and I would always run into him at the Speedway at 10th & German Church and he always made it a point to come and talk to us! I'll be praying for all of you during this time! ❤️❤️❤️

Tracy McLure - May 22, 2020 at 03:18 PM

FC

With deepest Sympathy, Autumn, Cora & Debbie, remember ALL the Love and happiness you had together.. his Love will always be with you..💕

Francine Goldey Clothier - May 22, 2020 at 07:33 PM

VB

Debbie our hearts are ❤️ for you, the children & grandchildren.
Love & Many Prayers Ronnie & Vicki Brake

Vicki Brake - May 22, 2020 at 08:54 PM