



John "Willie" Bush

January 16, 1970 - March 28, 2026

John Willie Bush, age 56, passed away March 28, 2026; born to John and Jane Bush on January 16th of 1970; devoted life partner to Shannon Sharp; dear father to Samantha, Lena, Devan, Mickie and Bree; loving brother of Jason (Cindy), adored grandson of the late Jake Bush and the late Lena Bush, the late John and the late Betty Cavaliere; cherished nephew of John and Val Cavaliere, Art and Pat Bush and the late Kathy Santo; treasured uncle to Jason, Brady, Dylan, Aaron, John, Katie, Joey, Corey and Craig; loving cousin to Tina and Rob.

Willie will be remembered as a man who lived life in the fast lane, with a heart just as big as his passion for cars. He found his greatest joy building race cars alongside his brother Jason, the two of them always competing over who could drive faster.

The racetrack was more than just a place for Willie—it was his second home. Whether he was behind the wheel, working on a car, or simply soaking in the atmosphere, it was where he felt most alive. He also loved riding his motorcycle, embracing the freedom of the open road whenever he could.

Willie was known for his fun-loving spirit and contagious energy. He was truly the life of the party. But beyond that, he was deeply caring—always willing to stop whatever he was doing to help someone in need. His kindness and

generosity left a lasting impact on everyone who knew him.

Above all, Willie was a devoted family man. His love for his family was unwavering and central to everything he did. One of the most meaningful moments in his life was getting the chance to drive the cherished '66 Chevelle—a car his dad loved dearly—after all those years. It was a full-circle moment that meant the world to him and to those who shared it with him.

Willie loved his cars more than anything, but it was the people in his life who made his world truly complete.

Keep on racing, Willie. We loved you so much, and you will forever be missed.

Cemetery Details

Oakview Cemetery

12 Mile
Royal Oak, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 2. 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Mandziuk & Son Funeral Directors, Inc. - Warren
22642 Ryan Road
Warren, MI 48091
(586) 757-3563

Funeral Service

APR 2. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Immediately following the funeral service, we will be going to Oakview Cemetery for the interment.

Tribute Wall

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“ We miss u so much , your presence was such a joy .. You really don't understand how much we all loved you , and without you not being here we all are so lost with you..



Shannon Lena family - April 07 at 08:29 PM

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“ Gayla Y. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John "Willie" Bush.

Gayla Y. - April 02 at 12:40 PM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of John "Willie" Bush.



April 01 at 09:30 AM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of John "Willie" Bush.



April 01 at 09:24 AM

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“ *Ishea and Matt Gabrielson purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of John "Willie" Bush.*



Ishea and Matt Gabrielson - March 31 at 08:48 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of John "Willie" Bush.

March 31 at 06:18 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams* was purchased for the family of John "Willie" Bush.



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