

Name: Henry Hank Weitenberner

**Age:** 78

Hometown: Bad Axe

Funeral Date: October 01, 2021 Date of Birth: August 20, 1943

**Date of Passing:** September 28, 2021 **Funeral Home:** <u>Kaufman Funeral Home</u>

## **Funeral Information**

As far as services and stuff, well, I didn't write this part. Funeral service for Hank will be held on Friday, October 1, 2021 at 11 am at the Kaufman Funeral Home in Bad Axe. Visitation will be Thursday, September 30, 2021 from 4 – 8 pm or Friday from 10 am until the service time at 11 am. Memorials may be offered to the Huron County Hockey Association or the Bad Axe High School Baseball Program. If you wish to offer your condolences to Hank's family, please go to www.kaufmanfuneralhome.com

## **Family of the Deceased**

We were always proud of our four boys, Hank (Kami), Rick (Kelli) Jeff (Leslee) and Tim (Jessica). Those four couples were more fun than you can imagine and I loved each one of them. The grandkids came along and they were precious. Dana, Lane, and Ellee remain a big part of my legacy and I couldn't be prouder. Then along came Jayden, Hailey and Mya and more fun and laughs. Mom and dad are gone many years ago. Henry F. and Kathryn K (Devine) Weitenberner and I have one sister, Mrs. Donald (Marilou) Knoblock, Kinde.

## **Biography**

Here's the picture. My feet don't hurt anymore and I can hear everything now. My eyesight is perfect and I have all my teeth back. Most of all I can breathe again. Sure I had to die to get there but so will you. And for the snowflakes info I didn't pass. I died. I am dead. You pass cars and you pass notes and you pass gas. I died on September 28, 2021, and I appreciate my great family being there. I had a wonderful, treasured life with Barb, my best friend. We were married May 25, 1968 at Assumption Grotto Church, Detroit. We loaded up our hopes for the future, our kids and our gold fish and moved to Bad Axe in 1974, over 46 years ago. It was a great place to raise a family. I tried to stay active most of my life, joining many groups including the Steelheaders, Fox Hunters, several bowling leagues, several great softball teams and played hockey with my four sons until I was 60. I golfed at Ubly many years with my good friend Tim Osentoski and we were warmly welcomed. Got my hole-in-one years ago at Verona. I hunted, fished and loved to be outside doing stuff. For civic responsibilities, I gave back as much as I could. I served on the Huron County Building Authority 4 years followed by 9 years and 8 months on the Huron Board of Commissioners before being recalled for reasons I can't recall. I also served as a Bad Axe Volunteer Firefighter for almost 20 Years and for over 25 years served as a member and lastly chairman of the Board of Directors of Thumb Area Transit, past Chairman and member of the Board of Directors of Huron Behavioral Health for over 23 years, Secretary and member of the Board of Directors of Region VII Area Agency on Aging, an Executive Board Member of the Michigan Community Mental Health Boards, Lansing and President of the Huron County Council on Aging, a phenomenal senior group of local people. Along with owning a local funeral home, I began working in Bad Axe at the Daily Tribune. Won several statewide awards when the paper was a paper and not a shopper. I also spent 26 years as assistant varsity baseball coach at Bad Axe with my great friend Wayne Turmell and chaperoned the 8th grade trip for 28 years. I substitute taught at Bad Axe for several years, eventually working full time/part time at Ascent High School, an alternative education high school in Bad Axe dedicated to getting high school diplomas for kids who could not stand regular high school regimentation. The stint at Ascent was probably one of the most worthwhile things I did all my life. I spent my "Golden Years" connected to a brown oxygen machine with a see thru hose and an

opaque nasal cannula after smoking white cigarettes for 40 years, blackening my lungs. There has to be a clear message somewhere in that colorful rant for you folks. To my many good friends and totally worthwhile human beings I say "Thank You". Thank you for being my friends and friends of my family. Your smiles, your humor, your understanding and support made life a joy and I can't wait until we meet again, but take your time.