



Darren Lee "Butch" Mullen

August 7, 1960 - March 7, 2026

Darren "Butch" L. Mullen, 65, of Elizabethtown, passed away on March 7th, 2026. Born in Lancaster, he was the son of the late Lee E. Mullen and the late Dorothy D. (Liskey) Mullen Heistand. He was the companion to the love of his life, Laura Pettit.

Darren was a graduate of Elizabethtown Area High School, class of 1978. He was a kind and giving person, with a deep love for animals, especially cats.

He was a huge Rolling Stones fan and was an avid guitar player. He also enjoyed watching the Philadelphia Phillies.

Surviving in addition to his companion, Laura, is his loving sister, Danira Ginder of Elizabethtown; nieces Holly E. Kreischer of Mount Joy and Brandy Bair of Columbia; and a nephew, Nick Martin of Manheim.

Loved more than you know.

Following Darren's wishes, there will be no formal services.

Tribute Wall

JP

“ *Smiley, I'm going to miss you my friend. I'm sad we never had the chance to jam together. Rest easy, I'll play some Stones for you with the band this weekend, and we'll turn it up loud enough for you to hear. Peace and love.*

Jeff Putt - March 12 at 11:28 AM

HK

“ *It doesn't seem real that you are gone. I'm going to miss you Uncle Butch. You always knew how to make us all laugh. I'll always cherish the happy memories and photos and I will carry them with me until we meet again. Rest in peace, I love you!*



Holly Kreischer - March 12 at 10:10 AM

KM

“ *Smiley, you will be missed!!*

Kim Moore - March 10 at 10:30 AM

CF

“ *It was 10 years ago, not long after his wreck, that he wandered into the Kenhorst state store to buy a bottle of wine. We had been friends since. When we retired to New Mexico we expected he might come to visit. You will be missed ole friend. You can rest easy now. Enjoy your ride!*

Carl Ford - March 09 at 09:58 PM

DC

“ So sorry to hear of Darren's passing. Have known him for over 40 years. Lot of good memories of him from my days at Lehman's Newsstand. Glad I was able to reconnect with him on Facebook and meet up with him for lunch a few months ago. R.I.P Smiley !!!

Daniel Carotto - March 08 at 11:25 PM

TE

Sorry to hear of "Butches" passing. A kind person , and could he laugh ! Did life the best he could! RIP. Condolences to Danira and his truly beloved ones

TERESA J ENGLE - March 10 at 08:35 PM

TE

Yes Danny it was great we were able to get together with Darren for lunch not long ago. He was a friend of mine since kindergarten through high school, class of '78. So glad he reached out on FB and kept in touch the past few years. We had talked about meeting for lunch again, unfortunately it didn't happen. My condolences to Laura and family. RIP my friend.

Timothy Eberly - March 13 at 04:41 PM

DG

“ My brother, my supper buddy and my friend... I can't believe your not here. This is going to hurt a lot. Thanks for being a good brother. Always love you. Danira

Danira Ginder - March 08 at 08:35 PM

PA

Darren, We didn't always agree on some things but the 4 of us had a lot of good times and lots of laughs! I hope you are now finally at peace...RIP

patti - March 09 at 08:26 PM

LS

Sorry you are no longer here to talk, the saint will be lonesome without your craziness's

lynn sine - March 10 at 08:36 AM