



## Michael John Benne

April 5, 1951 - December 15, 2016

### MICHAEL JOHN BENNE

Michael John Benne, 65, of Gravois Mills, passed away on December 15, 2016 at his home.

Benne was preceded in death by parents, Harry and Betty Benne of Gravois Mills, Missouri.

He graduated in 1969 from Morgan County RII in Versailles and attended CMSU in Warrensburg for several years. A life-long member of the local community, Benne worked for years at Lake Dog and Cat in Laurie and the local Wal-Mart in Versailles, taking an early retirement to care for his elderly mother.

Benne's biggest love was music and had been a member of a number of different bands since high school. He wrote and recorded his own music and played in local establishments in the lake area. He was involved with the Healing Box Project, an organization that provides guitars and music lessons to disabled veterans.

Benne is survived by one sister, Marilyn Brenneman, of Gravois Mills, one nephew, Jake Yoder and his wife, Stephanie and a great nephew, Levi Yoder of Arcadia, Florida, and many friends, acquaintances and fans.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests a contribution to the Healing Box Project. Checks may be mailed to The Healing Box Project, PO Box 66, Gravois Mills, MO 65037.

At his request, Benne will be inurned at Versailles Cemetery in a private service. A Celebration of Life will be held later in January for friends and family.

Arrangements are under the care and direction of the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home of Versailles.

# Cemetery Details

## Versailles Cemetery

550 Clay Road  
Versailles, MO 65084

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Mike Benne. Another gem. Can't wait to see you Hear you again brotha. !!*

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**stanley field** - December 20, 2016 at 05:09 PM

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“ *Sorry for your loss, may he rest in peace, The Vold family*

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**jean vold** - December 20, 2016 at 12:38 PM

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“ *I am so sorry to hear of Michael's passing. He had true talent and I will miss him.*

*Sherry Biron, State Farm.*

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**Sherry Biron** - December 19, 2016 at 12:20 PM

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*Really a nice and talented guy. I remember riding the bus with him from our lakeroad to school in Morgan county Talked to him at my office just a few weeks ago. It is a real loss to the community.*

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**Clayton Fink** - December 20, 2016 at 05:41 PM