



Howard Franklin Rutan

April 20, 1952 - April 8, 2025

Howard Franklin Rutan 72, of Red House, WV passed away unexpectedly on April 8, 2025 at home.

Frank was born on April 20, 1952 at his home on Round Knob Road in Red House, WV to the late Howard Woodrum and Betty Jane Starcher Rutan. In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by his sisters: Margie Oldaker and Nora Runions.

He was a graduate of Buffalo High School Class of 1970. Frank retired from Engines Inc. in Milton, WV, was an avid woodworker who loved working in the yard and cooking while spending time with his family.

He is survived by his loving wife of 46 years, Jeannetta Rutan; sons: Patrick (Amanda) of Culloden, WV, Christopher (Tonya) of Buffalo, WV and Justin (Norvella) of Red House, WV; grandchildren: Shana Rutan, Hunter Rutan, Trevor Rutan, Connor Rutan, Elizabeth Potter and Andrew Potter; great granddaughter, Kinley Campbell; siblings: Norman Rutan, Rita Higginbotham and Leah Rutan Beane; as well as many beloved nieces and nephews.

Anyone wishing to leave an online memory may do so by visiting Frank's tribute page at: www.chapmanfuneralhomes.com.

Funeral Service for Frank will be 1:00pm Saturday April 12, 2025 at Chapman Funeral Home Hurricane with Pastor Jerry Losh and Pastor Alan Bays officiating. Burial will follow in Valley View Memorial Park Hurricane, WV.

Friends may visit the family an hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

Chapman Funeral Home 3941 Teays Valley Rd., Hurricane, WV 25526 is honored to serve at the Rutan family.

Cemetery Details

Valley View Memorial Park

2466 Main Street
Hurricane, WV 25526

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 12. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Chapman Funeral Home
3941 Teays Valley Road
Hurricane, WV 25526

Funeral Service

APR 12. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Howard Franklin Rutan.*



April 11, 2025 at 01:31 AM



“ *So sad to hear about Howard. we worked together on many jobs at Engines. He really had taught me many things over the years. Will miss his visits to the shop. Rest in peace Howard.*

Matt Adams - April 10, 2025 at 05:51 PM



“ *Matt Adams lit a candle in memory of Howard Rutan*



Matt Adams - April 10, 2025 at 05:48 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Howard Franklin Rutan.*



April 10, 2025 at 11:27 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Howard Franklin Rutan.

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“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Howard Franklin Rutan.



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“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Howard Franklin Rutan.

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“ *Bobbie Levy sent a virtual gift in memory of Howard Rutan*



Bobbie Levy - April 09, 2025 at 08:34 PM

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Bobbie Levy - April 09, 2025 at 06:36 PM