



Joseph Lee Crites

Joseph Lee Crites, 41, of Moorefield passed away Monday, December 28, 2020 in Moorefield.

Born July 16, 1979 in Petersburg, WV, he was the son of L. Robin Crites. He was preceded in death by twin daughters, Hannah Jo and Hailey Brooke Crites in 1998 and an uncle, Dick Riggleman.

Joseph was a laborer for Trex Decking in Winchester, VA and formerly worked at MEC Construction. He graduated from Moorefield High School in 1998, and took auto mechanics at the VoTech Center in Petersburg. He was a former member of Moorefield Volunteer Fire Company. Joseph's children were his life and he loved spending time with them at the beach and camping.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by grandparents, Elva June Bensenhaver and Ervin Bensenhaver; his mother's companion, Tommy Barr, Rig, WV; one daughter, Bethany Murphy and husband, Nathan, Moorefield; one son, J. Matthew "Tonto" Crites, Moorefield; one brother, Shawn Patrick Crites, Dorcas, WV; an aunt and uncle, who helped care for him, Shawn and Pam Simon, Woodbridge, VA; and a special friend, who cared for him until the end, Holly Wills, Moorefield.

Friends will be received at Elmore Funeral Home on Saturday, January 9, 2021, from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. A private family memorial service will be held with Pastor David Hendrix officiating.

Due to the current pandemic situation, face masks or coverings must be worn at all times in the funeral home and social distancing must be observed.

Arrangements are under the direction of Elmore Funeral Home, Moorefield.