

Sam C. Davis

BOURBON — Sam C. Davis, 72, Bourbon, passed away peacefully at 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 3, 2018, at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, with his family at his side.

Sam was born Dec. 13, 1945, in Warsaw, to John W. "Ted" and Glendora Lesh Davis and was a lifelong resident of the area.

As a graduate of Warsaw High School in 1964, Sam continued his education by attending Indiana State University, Ball State University and obtaining his master's degree from Saint Frances College.

Sam taught and coached for many years at Triton High School, most notably coaching wrestling, for which he was a Hall of Fame inductee. While at Triton, he also coached football and track, and was a driver's education instructor.

Sam was an intricate part of the Tech Club, building Super Mileage Challenge cars at Triton High School. Most recently, Sam was an assistant wrestling coach at Tippecanoe Valley Middle School and High School.

Sam worked on and drove racecars in multiple divisions at tracks throughout the Midwest and enjoyed spending time with his extended racing family.

Sam married the love of his life from college, Virginia Seybold, on Jan. 27, 1968, in Terre Haute.

Those left to cherish Sam's memory are his wife of 50 years and his brother, John W. Davis Jr., Warsaw. Other survivors include niece Cindy (Joe) Kimmel, Mentone, and children Sam (RaeAnne) Kimmel and Barbie Kimmel (fiancé Clayton Maynard); niece Sandy (Clay) Layne, Warsaw, and daughters Allison and Brooklynn; and nephew John W. (Holly) Davis III, Brownsburg, and daughter Brianna.

Sam was preceded in death by his parents and sister-in-law, Barbara Davis.

Sam was one who always thought of the other person. He would frequently extend a helping hand to someone with the simple expectation that the recipient reach back and extend that helping hand to someone else in need of help in the future.

A time of visiting with the Davis family will be in Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, 115 S. Main St., Bourbon, from 3 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 10. Pastor David Martin will conduct the funeral service beginning at 7 p.m. Wednesday, also at Deaton-Clemens Funeral Home, immediately following visitation.

Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 11, in Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Bourbon.

Memorials to Pancreatic Cancer Action Network, 1500 Rosecrans Ave., Suite 200, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266; or a cancer fund of your choice.

