

Philip J. Guzikowski. age 59 of Eastlake, Michigan, died Monday afternoon, November 15, 2021 at Munson Healthcare Manistee Hospital.

He was born on October 7, 1962 in Manistee, Michigan, son of Edmund and Kathleen (Pieczynski) Guzikowski Jr. Phil was a graduate of Manistee Catholic Central High School with the Class of 1981. He joined the United States Army and served from July 13, 1982 until May 13, 1986, including two and a half years of foreign deployment. After his release from the army, Phil joined

the Michigan National Guard and served until his retirement from the Guard on October 3, 2004. Most of his life, Phil was employed as a correction's officer with the Oaks Correctional Facility in Manistee, until his retirement. He coached track and cross country at Manistee High School. Phil also had a passion for animals.

He is survived by two sons, Tyler P. Guzikowski and Darren Guzikowski both of Eastlake, MI, his father and mother Edmund and Kathleen (Pieczynski) Guzikowski Jr, of Manistee, MI, three brothers and a sister-in-law, Eugene and Julie Guzikowski of Arvada, Colorado, Luke Guzikowski and Craig Guzikowski and his brother-in-law, Jeff Szpliet all of Manistee, MI, two nephews, Mitchel (Kayla) Guzikowski of Colorado and Collin Guzikowski of Manistee, MI.

Phil was preceded in death by two sisters, Monica Mae Guzikowski and Yvonne Marie Szpliet.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Thursday, December 2, 2021 at 11:00 AM at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Manistee with Reverend Basil Lek celebrant. Military honors will be presented by the Manistee County United Veterans Ritual Team immediately following the funeral Mass. The family will receive friends at the church on Thursday morning, one hour prior to the funeral Mass.

The Herbert Funeral Home of Manistee is in charge of funeral arrangements.