



Matthew Clive Sheppard

March 20, 1974 - November 5, 2025

Matthew Clive Sheppard, 51, of Saint Albans, WV, passed away surrounded by loved ones on November 5, 2025, at CAMC General Hospital after a sudden illness.

Matthew was born in and lived most of his life near Parkersburg, WV. He was diagnosed with leukemia while an infant and underwent experimental radiation and chemotherapy treatments. He not only survived, but he also overcame several challenges that occurred because of the experimental treatments. He graduated from Parkersburg South High School in 1992 and worked at Park Tours until his health forced him to take disability retirement.

His various hobbies over the years included collecting Hotwheels, watching television, listening to country music, dining out, hunting, repairing and driving antique tractors at the family farm, and riding ATVs. He enjoyed attending meetings of Saint Albans on Purpose and adored his dogs, Daisy and Benny. He also earned his WV Waterfall Trail t shirt after having suffered a second stroke that left him with a gait derangement. Matthew could only be described as compassionate, witty and generous and absolutely without guile.

Matthew is survived by his son, Timothy C. Sheppard of Washington, WV; his father, Jesse E. Sheppard of Washington, WV; two sisters, Angela M. Sheppard Hunt (Bryan P. Hunt) of Palestine, WV, and Rebecca L. Sheppard Rodak (Robert P. Rodak) of Saint Albans, WV; one nephew, Patrick B. Hunt (Cassandra E. Rosa Hunt) of Palestine, WV; and one great-niece, Mariella A. Hunt of Palestine, WV. Preceding him in death were his mother, Margaret G. Armel Sheppard; grandparents W. Clive and Myrdith E. Thorne Sheppard and Frank H. and Bertha M. Epler Armel; and his friend and cousin, Brian D. Fouss.

Matthew's early childhood cancer treatments played a role in the development of modern, effective medical science. At the end of his life, several of his organs were gifted to those in medical need, so he again played a role in saving lives.

Services will be held for family and close friends at St. Marks Episcopal Church in St. Albans, WV.

Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home, St. Albans will handle the arrangements, and his ashes will be interred at Pisgah Cemetery in Palestine, WV.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to the American Cancer Society or any charity benefiting those with disabilities.

Tribute Wall

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“ I remember meeting Matthew when he was 2 years of age. He was so special to me and I named my son after him a few years later. He taught me so much about life and he was so full of life himself. He will be greatly missed.

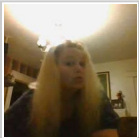
Nancy Noyes - November 18, 2025 at 04:58 PM

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“ Hunt Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Matthew Clive Sheppard.



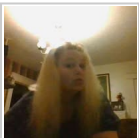
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“ Jesseca Ingmire lit a candle in memory of Matthew Clive Sheppard



Jesseca Ingmire - November 08, 2025 at 12:48 PM



“ I remember Matt getting us ready for spot day in 96 with his Chevy s10, he said it's gonna be one cold morning got me and s friends spot day since it was a cold rainy morning, he always liked Garth Brooks and always wore his black hat. I remember he sung like Garth Brooks as well. I remember he was always there for my husband and I back in the day. Miss you Matt, you were dearly loved from do many people and you will be dearly missed by many. You were called home with your wings on my birthday ☐☐

Jesseca Ingmire - November 08, 2025 at 12:47 PM

DM

“ Matthew was a truly lovely man who was happiest spending time with his family and friends. I was privileged to share many dinners and holidays with him and his family. While dining out he was consistent with his order: a plain cheeseburger, well-done, a side of French fries, and iced teas, extra sweet! Rest in peace Matthew. I'll miss you.

Dolores Martin - November 07, 2025 at 08:23 PM