



Britt Allen Micetich

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Britt Micetich, 66 of Knoxville passed away Tuesday, November 16, 2021 at Knoxville Hospital.

Britt was born to Carl & Lois (Davis) Micetich on May 28, 1955 in Centerville. He received his education from Centerville Schools, graduating in 1973. On April 27, 2007, Britt was united in marriage to Marilyn Powders. She was the love of his life and they shared 44 wonderful years together.

Britt worked the last 25 years for his brother Bruce at Advance Transmission in Knoxville as a transmission builder. His first job he began at age 14 working for his Uncle Angelo, on to Kauzlarich's gas station, Sieg Auto Parts, Richard Gordon's shop, Gene's Transmissions, his own shop Machine Tech- all of these in Centerville, DeVore Motors (Knoxville), Parker Machine (Newton), ET Automotive (Dallas, Tx) where he built racing engines for cars & boats, and CT Racing (Sioux City, SD) where he was Crew Chief for a 3 car team of Pro Mod 70 Chevilles. He even found his way tuning a Pro Mod team in Sweden & raced all over Europe. He was hired to kick start a lot of local race teams over the years with custom tuning which earned them multiple career wins and championships.

In his spare time, Britt loved cat fishing. He was an innovator and enjoyed building powerful motors. He also loved building fuel systems. Britt had an enormous love for drag racing all of his life. Just some of his innovations to mention he greatly assisted BDS, Kobelco (now DMPE) and SSI with their supercharger programs in the early-mid 90's while with CT Racing. Everything from rotor design, case design, injector styles, lots of speed secrets that even made their way up to the top fuel ranks.

Intake manifold fuel spray bars to cool the intake manifold air charge on a supercharged engine. He'd chuckle a bit when the guys finally came out with spray bars in injector hats. "Oh hell that's 25 year old technology" he'd say.

He was one of, if not the first to do a Co2 assisted push for nitrous cars in the pro mod days.



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We still have what we call the "spaghetti switches" setup which was a very involved mechanical Co2 fuel system and transmission management setup he designed. It was mechanical timers, switches, latches, etc that today we just use a solenoid valve and a ECU to operate.

He designed and modified a fully internal Co2 operated valve body. Of all manufactured valve bodies we know of it is still the fastest transbrake and shifted valve body there is.

Finally, in the early 80's, he was the mastermind behind the spragless part of the race converter design still used today. He corroborated with Bob Maise (original owner of Trans Specialties) the idea and plan to incorporate the spragless design for drag racing applications. That original converter made its way back to him about 5 years ago and is still going strong.

He was of brilliant mind well ahead of his time. He put the best he had into all he did. "All that is worth the trouble of doing deserves to be done well."

Survivors include his wife, Marilyn Micetich, mother, Lois Micetich, siblings: Kathy Vaughn (Gene), Brenda Brooks (Terry), Tim Micetich (Laurie), Holly Miller, Bruce Micetich (Chris), Stephanie Grim (Mike) and numerous extended family. He was preceded in death by his father, Carl Micetich.

Britt was cremated and a celebration of his life will be later on next spring/summer. Memorials may be given to his family which will be designated at a later date and can be sent to Thomas Funeral Home - PO Box 125 - Centerville, Iowa 52544. Condolences may be shared at www.thomasfh.com or facebook.com/thomasfuneralhome.



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TF

Tim Finks posted:

Britt was a very talented person. I hold dear some memories of him when we spent some time goofing off with electronics. We once took an old pole transformer and blew a few 50-amp fuses trying things. He will be missed, and I will not forget.

November 27 at 7:00 PM

CW

Cheryl Watts posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with his family and friends!!

November 24 at 7:00 PM

GH

Garydenise Howe posted:

Sympathy to the family 🙏

November 21 at 7:00 PM

GP

Gary Purvis lit a candle in honor of Britt.

So sorry to hear about Britt's passing. Our thoughts and prayers for all.

November 21 at 7:00 PM



SH

Sherry Henshaw posted:

So sorry for your loss♥️🙏

November 20 at 7:00 PM

DN

Dennis Northway Jr. posted:

Thoughts and prayers for the family..

November 20 at 7:00 PM



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JK

John Kauzlarich posted:

My thoughts are with the Micetich family Britt was a good guy I remember when he worked for my dad when i was a teenager always willing to give me advice or help out when my car wasnt running right. He had more knowledge about cars than anyone. RIP

November 20 at 7:00 PM

FM

Freda Miller posted:

Sympathy to the family.

November 19 at 7:00 PM

MR

Margueritte Rardin posted:

Thoughts and prayers to all the families!

November 19 at 7:00 PM

BD

Brian Davis posted:

The world lost one of the most wonderful guys God has ever put on this Earth. I idolized Britt since I was a young kid. He was building engines for guys around Centerville and you could always tell by the way the engine screamed...YEP..Britt built that one! He was the BEST! Britt was more like a brother to me than a cousin. I loved his perspective and sense of humor. You will forever be in our hearts. Rest in Peace.

November 19 at 7:00 PM

DO

Deb Ogle posted:

Britt and my husband Steve built a motor for Steve 68 Camaro when they took it out see how she ran Britt drove that nite when Britt hit 10grand on the tach Steve was worried Britt told Steve if she doesn't hold together at 10 grand she ain't worth having. She ran like a dream! Than was in 1975! Steve and I loved Britt and they were always working on cars. He will be missed and we would like to send Marylin and Britts family prayers at this time. Xoxo

November 19 at 7:00 PM



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SS

Steve Sprouse posted:

Prayers for the family.

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DM

Doug Milner posted:

PRAYERS for the Family

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JF

Jolene Susin Fadiga posted:

Condolences to family 🙏

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JM

John Miller Leanne Johns-Miller posted:

Sorry to hear this 😞 Prayers to the family

November 19 at 7:00 PM

MP

Marjorie Pfannebecker posted:

Sorry to hear of Britts passing! Prayers and hugs to the family.(So sorry Tim)

November 19 at 7:00 PM

JH

Jane Doran Hayes posted:

Sympathy to Britt's family. Another classmate gone way too soon.

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CP

Carolyn Padavich posted:

So sorry to hear this! 🙏

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RH

Robert Houser posted:

Prayers for the family

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ST

Sandy Thomas posted:

Sorry for the families loss!

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DL

Dennis & Beverly Sisul Laurson lit a candle in honor of Britt.

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DA

Debbie Atkinson lit a candle in honor of Britt.

The Atkinson family knew Britt especially Bob Atkinson, our condolences to the entire family of this extraordinary man!

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NT

Nellie Thomas lit a candle in honor of Britt.

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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Britt by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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