



Irvin Starling Sword III

March 5, 1965 - October 22, 2025

ADRIAN- Irvin Starling Sword, III, age 60, of Adrian, Michigan passed away early Wednesday, October 22, 2025, at Toledo Hospital surrounded by his family.

Irvin was born on March 5, 1965, in Hudson, MI, the son of Gloria Jean (Clark) and Irvin Starling Sword, II.

Over his lifetime, Irvin worked at several factories where he was a dedicated line worker. He enjoyed being outdoors, collecting coins, working on his car and cheering on the Detroit Tigers. He supported the NRA and found Ham radio very entertaining.

He will be missed by his daughters, Chelsea and Shelby Sword; siblings, Terry (Debra) Sword, Frieda Barnes, Betty Patterson and David Sword; friend, Joyce Murphy; and his cat, Bella. Irvin was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Jeffrie Scott Sword and sister, Nancy Sword in infancy.

Cremation will take place with a memorial celebration to be held at a later date.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Wagley Funeral Home, Adrian, where online condolences and memories may be shared at www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com.

Tribute Wall

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“ Irv was a friend to many, an honest worker & a good man. His absence will surely be felt and his presence will be missed on (and off) the shop floor. It was an honor to have him as a part of our membership for many years, here in Tecumseh. Irv, you are never forgotten. All our best to his family.

UAW Local 3000 (Lenawee Unit) - October 29, 2025 at 05:18 PM

JB

“ Sorry to hear of the loss of Irvin, I worked with Irv for many years on 3rd shift and we would golf early his laugh was infectious. Miss the morning golf outings and his friendship for sure. God Bless.

Jay Best - October 27, 2025 at 07:11 AM

RL

“ I am so sorry to hear this. It seems like we only grew up together when all of our parents were present. We moved, lost touch, forgot to check on one another. I am praying for comfort for his children, sisters, brothers, and family/friends close to Bubby.



Rhonda Taylor Lawson - October 24, 2025 at 12:50 PM

LB

“ Thank you Irvin aka Bubby for being the best dad to our girls from the moment they were born until your last breath. Even though we had our ups and downs we had more ups I will miss you now go rest high on that Mountain and now you are pain free. Rest in Peace Bub

Lisa Barnett - October 23, 2025 at 02:41 PM

KF

“ Irv was a long time co worker, who for many years I worked side by side with. Irv became more than a co worker, he became a good friend. So many great conversations and laughs were had through the years. There were also many times that we got together outside of work and many times he helped me with something at home. But that's who Irv was, a person who was always willing to help someone at anytime. I'm honored that I met Irv many years ago and got to call him my friend. Rest in peace bud, you're missed by many.

KEITH FOUNTAIN - October 23, 2025 at 12:07 PM