



## Jacob Respondek

February 3, 1975 - April 16, 2018

Jacob Respondek, age 43, of Florida, formerly of Bad Axe, passed away on Monday, April 16, 2018.

Jacob was born on February 3, 1975 in Bad Axe, son of Lawrence and Constance (Willett) Respondek.

Jacob very much enjoyed being outdoors. He was an avid surfer. He was a member of a Surf Rider environmental watchdog group. He enjoyed camping, hiking, biking, beach clean-ups, anything out of doors. He loved being a father to his son, spending time with him and teaching all of the things he also loved doing with his dad.

Jacob is survived by his parents, Larry and Connie Respondek of Bad Axe.  
Maternal Grandfather – Clifford Willett of Bad Axe.

One son.

Brother – Ryan (JoLynn) Respondek of Bad Axe.

Niece – Meredith Respondek of Bad Axe.

Nephew – Ryan Respondek of Bad Axe.

Services will be held on Sunday April 22, 2018 at 4 pm at Kaufman Funeral Home in Bad Axe. Friends may call at the Kaufman Funeral Home on Sunday from 1 pm until the service time at 4 pm.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **22**. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Kaufman & Co. Funeral Home, Inc.  
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Bad Axe, MI 48413  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Jacob Respondek*

January 28, 2023 at 01:32 PM



“ *Many, many wonderful memories of Jake when we were in high school. I will always hold a special place for him in my heart. Love you all!❤️*

**Kari Thumme Briesmiester** - May 08, 2018 at 03:38 PM



“ *Carol And Chris Rapson lit a candle in memory of Jacob Respondek*



**Carol and Chris rapson** - April 22, 2018 at 09:17 PM



“ *We were so sad to hear about Jake. Our thoughts and hugs go out to Tyde and the rest of the family. We have fond memories of special occasions like Halloween when Jake and Jess walked Tyde around the neighborhood. The last time we saw Jake was in Winn Dixie when he and Tyde were shopping for groceries. He was a great dad and Tyde was so happy doing anything with him. He was also a great neighbor. He'll be missed.*

*Tyde, we send lots of hugs to you and will never be far away if you need anything.*

*Gator Mike & Nancy Stowe.*

*St. Petersburg*

**Mike & Nancy Stowe** - April 22, 2018 at 02:43 PM

MN

“ *Larry and Connie and family. So very sorry to hear about your son's passing. They say the Lord works in mysterious ways. I guess all we can do is trust that he has a special place for Jacob. In sympathy, Ron and Mary Beth Nimtz*

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**Mary Beth Nimtz** - April 22, 2018 at 12:47 PM

DC

“ *Our sincere condolences to Connie, Larry and family on the loss of your dear son. May God grant you healing during this sad time. God bless all of you!*

*Jim and Del Czewski*

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**Delphine Czewski** - April 21, 2018 at 05:30 PM

MP

“ *Dear Connie, my heart is aching for you and your family. Know that you are all in my prayers. I am here if you need anything, just call. Hugs, Mary Lou*

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**Mary Lou Pulaskey** - April 21, 2018 at 10:17 AM

JP

“ *Love and hugs to Jake's family. Jake was a living angel here on Earth. He will be missed, forever loved, and not forgotten.*



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**Julie Pappas** - April 21, 2018 at 07:12 AM

MK

“ *Connie, Larry, Ryan, JoLynn and family our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Bruce, Mary Alice and Courtney Kosal*



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**Mary Alice Kosal** - April 20, 2018 at 11:30 PM

SS

“ *So sorry Connie for the loss of your son! I'm sure he will be greatly missed. Hugs from the Faye MacDonald side of the family. Sincerely from Shannon Scott Schultz*

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**Shannon Scott Schultz** - April 20, 2018 at 10:34 PM

BA

“ *Betty Arnott lit a candle in memory of Jacob Respondek*



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**Betty Arnott** - April 20, 2018 at 01:25 PM

TH

“ *Jake was my liberal brother-in-arms during Facebook debates. We were so blessed to spend time with him during our Florida vacations. I wish I had him here now to share stories of his surf culture, after spending time in San Diego and gaining a curiosity about it. Rest peacefully, sweet cousin! ❤️❤️❤️*

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**Tara Hoeksema** - April 20, 2018 at 01:02 PM

SO

“ *The time/s Jacob babysat for our 4 boys. Not sure how he survived the rough and tumble with those guys. They thought it was great to have a boy babysitter..... and our Jake thought it was funny to meet another boy named Jacob....*

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**Sue Osminski** - April 20, 2018 at 11:08 AM