

Brad "House" Allan Knauss, 41

Oct. 3, 1976 - Jan. 7, 2018



PORTSMOUTH — Brad "House" Allan Knauss was born October 3, 1976 in Harlan to Ronald and Lucy (Wendt) Knauss. He went to Harlan Community Schools and graduated in 1996. He lived in Portsmouth most of his life and most recently had moved to Earling.

Brad played football for Harlan and was a Nose Guard on the PAT. Also during high school, he got a job with the TNI Program at Midwest Towing, this is where his interest in dirt track racing started. When he was growing up he enjoyed fishing, and later in life he found his passion for dirt track racing. Brad and his brothers owned car #92 for 10 years, he won several races and championships. He loved going to the races, but hated the tires getting dirty. He would even re-whiten the words on the tires before the races. The habit also carried over into his personal life, and he was always very neat and made sure to never leave the house if his outfit or hair wasn't "just right." Brad's love of sports wasn't just racing, but also for Nebraska Cornhusker Football. He loved getting together with friends and watching the Huskers play.

Brad was a very social person and always enjoyed having his friends around. He co-owned and operated several bars throughout the years in different places, including Persia, Minden, Harlan, and most recently ran "The Big House" in Earling. Running the bars brought together his passion for sports, friends, and Michelob Ultra!

Brad passed away on January 7, 2018 in Omaha, NE. He was 41 years, three months, and four days old. Brad is preceded in death by his grandparents, Doris and Wendell Knauss.

Left to cherish his memory are his parents, Ron and Lucy Knauss of Portsmouth; brothers Brian (Andrea) Knauss of Portsmouth; Brent "Boomer" Knauss of Panama; grandparents Jack "Buzz" and Elaine Wendt of Portsmouth; grandmother Marilyn Knauss of Harlan; niece Faith Olofson and nephew Dayton Olofson-Plambeck, both of Portsmouth; and many aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.

An 11 a.m. Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated by Rev. David Smith S.J. on Friday, January 12, 2018 at St. Mary Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in Portsmouth. Brian Knauss, Brent "Boomer" Knauss, Chris Buck, BJ Bruck, Corey Buck, Jeff Stephens and Tyler Miller served as casket bearers. Inurnment will take place at a later date.

Pauley Jones Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

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