



## Life of a Counter Man

I work behind the counter  
In an automotive store.  
Sometimes I'm called a "genius"  
Sometimes I'm called much more.

I claim I'm no mechanic  
Yet when the job goes sick  
The mechanic comes and asks me  
What makes the damn thing tick.

I'm supposed to know the numbers  
Of bolts and nuts and gears  
For every car that was ever made  
For more than 40 years.

I'm an engineer and machinist  
And what not, Ah, my Lord,  
I'm supposed to be an Edison  
Combined with Henry Ford.

But life would be a pleasure  
And I'd grin from ear to ear  
If the customer would tell me  
The MODEL, MAKE, and YEAR.

**AUTO PARTS**



**Bryan R. Hause**, 56, of Gettysburg, passed away Sunday, November 26, 2017 at "the store" in Gettysburg.

Bryan Robert Hause was born on December 19, 1960, to Robert "Bob" and Mardell (Leisinger) Hause in Gettysburg. He attended school in Gettysburg, graduating in 1979. Bryan met Geri through NAPA, and they were married in 1993.

Bryan and Geri purchased Midway Parts from his parents in 1993 to secure a lifelong career as the local parts guy in Gettysburg. Bryan always had a passion for sports, particularly baseball and softball. He spent many years coaching women's and coed softball teams, and always enjoyed watching a game at the Gettysburg park in his pickup with a bag of seeds. He also headed up a local football pool for many hopeful fans. He loved the annual family trip out to the Black Hills with his wife, children, and grandchildren. Bryan was elected to the Gettysburg City Council and served from 2013 until his passing. He also enjoyed beating the pants off any brave soul that would challenge him in a good 'ole game of cribbage.

Bryan will be missed by many, including his wife, Geri Hause of Gettysburg; children: Nick (Stephanie) Marty of Gillette, WY, and Andrea (Clinton) Powell of Armour, SD; grandchildren: Peyton, Gavin, and Aiden Marty (Nick), and Garrison, Caden, Sutton Rae, and Keston Powell (Andrea); mother, Mardell Hause of Gettysburg; brothers: Darrell (Martena) Hause of Sheboygan, WI, Dennis Hause of Bismarck, ND, and Larry Hause of Edina, MN; sisters: Pam (Jim) Rieger of Estelline, SD and Janet (Joe) Beacom of Crystal, MN; mother-in-law, Veronica Behmen of Hopkins, MN and numerous nieces and nephews.

Bryan was preceded in death by his father, Robert Hause; father-in-law, Warren Behmen; niece, Amanda Rieger (Pam); and nephew, Yuri Hause (Dennis).

Geri, Nick, and Andrea would like to express their gratitude to all that made Bryan's life so full, and those that put up with the "bark" that came with knowing him. Thank you for joining the family in a celebration of burgers, brats, and fellowship on Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 11am - 1pm at Midway Parts in Gettysburg.



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CELEBRATING THE LIFE  
OF  
BRYAN HAUSE  
1960 ~ 2017

