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He was employed at Certainteed, Godfather's Pizza and ultimately at Jeld-Wen. He was a committed skateboarder and bicyclist including participation in several RAGBRAIs.

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Larry married Dawn Begue on June 24, 1989, and from this union, Crystal Marie Shook was born. They later divorced. He worked at Certainteed, Godfather's, and finally found his place at Jeld-Wen. Even through the cancer, Larry would continue to work, get his chemotherapy and go back to work. He was a man that had incredible inner strength and never complained.

He held a great passion for skateboarding and bicycling. His collection of skateboards is overwhelming. He went on several trips with his fellow cyclists to Texas, New Mexico and Colorado. He participated in RAGBRAI on numerous occasions. Larry had a dry sense of humor and a unique personality. He was young at heart and he will always be remembered that way.

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