



## Andrew E Vitkauskas

October 30, 1946 - May 7, 2026

Andrew Egidijus Vitkauskas, age 79 of Crown Point, IN, and Chicago, IL, sadly left this earthly realm on May 7, 2026. He was born in Memmingen, Germany on October 30, 1946. As a Lithuanian immigrant he came over on the SS Heintzelmann with his parents, Laima and Česlovas, through New York to Chicago to join his extended family in Cicero and Chicago Lawn.

Andy attended Nativity BVM Elementary School and St. Rita High School in Chicago and was very involved in Lithuanian dance and activities—including basketball and scouts. It was through these Lithuanian neighbourhood activities where he met Zita Juraitis (d. April 12, 2023), wife of 54 years. He went on to Loyola University to study architecture and the arts, with strong interest in philosophy later completing his degree as an adult student at Moraine Valley Community College. Andy served in the US Coast Guard for four years beginning in 1972 and was stationed on an icebreaker doing search and rescue operations in the Arctic Circle. He was a good natured, jovial character, who enjoyed drinking, merriment, and rock 'n' roll and blues music. He leaves behind his children: Lina Vitkauskas (52); Sonny Vitkauskas (49); and Mario Vitkauskas (46) and his wife Joanne and grandchildren, Abby (14) and Calvin (11). Andy's visitation date is Thursday, May 14, 2026 from 3 PM to 7 PM at Burns Funeral Home, in Crown Point, IN. Join us in celebrating his life. Visit [www.burnsfuneral.com](http://www.burnsfuneral.com) to sign his online guestbook.



# Upcoming Events

## Memorial Visitation

MAY 14. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Burns Funeral Home & Crematory - Crown Point  
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## Military Honors Service

MAY 14. 7:00 PM (CT)

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## Time of Sharing

MAY 14. 7:15 PM (CT)

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