



Carl Edward Brown

December 23, 1935 - January 14, 2024

Carl Edward Brown, 88, of Portage, Indiana, passed away January 14, 2024. Carl was born to George and Mary Brown on December 23, 1935 in Gary Indiana. Carl was a 1953 graduate of Bishop Noll High School. He proudly served in the United States Army from 1958-1964. He spent his entire adult life working at the Anderson Company. He was heavily involved at Our Lady of Sorrows and Nativity Catholic Churches. He often did readings at mass and would take communion to the elderly. He was a devoted family man that loved spending time with his wife, kids, and grandkids. Carl loved watching his favorite sports teams; the White Sox, Bears, Blackhawks, Notre Dame football and Indiana basketball.

Carl is survived by his wife Stella and two of his children, Cheryl(Jeff) Valdahl, Mark(Catherine) Brown and daughter-in-law, Maria Brown of Goshen, IN. He is also survived by his brother Bill(Cathy) of Valparaiso and sisters, Marilyn Wade of Jacksonville, North Carolina, Peggy Bruce of Moline, IL., Jean Odinsonoff(Pete) Valparaiso, IN and Jane(Jon) Griffin of Shelbyville, IN., Patti Brown of Burns Harbor, IN., and sister in law Shirley Brown of Greensburg, IN. Carl has 5 grandchildren that he loved with all of his heart: Cassandra Brown of Wheaton, IL, Morgan Valdahl of Canton, MI, Brendan Hoch of Chesterton, IN, Kylee Brown of Goshen, IN and Matthew Brown of Chesterton, IN. Carl also leaves behind many nieces and nephews.

Carl was preceded in death by his parents, George and Mary, his son Doug, sister Barbara Badanish, and brothers Tim, Denis, Tom along with brothers-in-

law Jim Wade and Bill Bruce.

Carl's family will host a viewing on Friday, January 19, 2024 at Burns Funeral Home, 701 E. 7th St., Hobart, IN from 4-8pm. The funeral will be on Saturday, January 20, 2024 at Nativity Catholic Church in Portage, at 10:00 a.m. with burial at Calumet Park Cemetery, Merrillville.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to Hannah's Hope in Carl's name.

www.hannahshope.org

P.O. Box 2242

Portage, IN 46368

Cemetery Details

Calumet Park Cemetery

2305 W. 73rd Ave.
Merrillville, IN 46410

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **19**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Burns Funeral Home - Hobart
701 E. 7th Street
Hobart, IN 46342
(219) 942-1117
info@burnsfuneral.com
<https://www.burnsfuneral.com/>

Mass of Christian Burial

JAN **20**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Nativity of Our Savior Church
2949 Willowcreek Road
Portage, IN 46368
<http://2949>

Tribute Wall

SB

“ We will miss his smile and his warm greetings at the Portage Y. He was such a bright light in our community. Many blessings to the family. Shannon Burhans & the Portage YMCA staff

Shannon Burhans - January 19, 2024 at 09:04 AM

CH

He loved his family at the Y! ❤️

Cheryl - January 19, 2024 at 11:30 AM

MG

“ Mr. Brown was always kind to me and my family. He'll be dearly missed.
God Bless
Michael and Sonhui Goin

Michael Goin - January 18, 2024 at 06:29 PM

CH

Thank you so much! Your kind words mean a lot!

Cheryl - January 19, 2024 at 11:32 AM

LP

“ Let perpetual light shine upon him, amen. Truly an inspirational man who's faith and family kept him going! You'll be so missed. Bill and Laura Parnell

Laura L Parnell - January 18, 2024 at 11:04 AM

CH

Thank you! He will definitely be missed!!

Cheryl - January 19, 2024 at 11:33 AM

DB

“ Carl would brighten up every room that he would walk into. I remember having Thanksgiving at Pete and Jene's and Carl was the life of the party. I'm going to miss how Carl would steal my nose. Will miss you Carl. Tell my Dad that I'm doing great and I miss him too.



Debbie Brown - January 16, 2024 at 09:25 PM

SP

So sorry for your loss. May he rest in peace.

Sylvia Padron

Sylvia Padron - January 17, 2024 at 09:50 PM

EE

Carl , just want to thank you for encouraging me to be a lecture. You Believed in me when I did not Believe in myself Love ya, PRAYERS for you, Stella, and your family GOD BLESS!!!

Emma Efantis - January 18, 2024 at 03:51 AM

CH

Thank you so much! Your kind words mean a lot!

Cheryl - January 19, 2024 at 11:34 AM

DB

I met Carl when I was 20 yrs old when I got a job at Anderson co., in Gary, where he worked. He was making windshield wipers, and I was in the payroll office. He was such a joy to be with, and so good to me. Always smiling laughed a lot, just a jolly guy, loved by everyone. The times I spent with him then and after I married his brother, were good and fun times that I will always remember.

Deanna Brown

Deanna Brown - January 19, 2024 at 11:04 PM

CV

Thank you Aunt Deanna! We miss him so much!

Cheryl Valdahl - January 24, 2024 at 08:44 AM

RG

“ *To the family and friends, so sorry for your loss.*

Rest Easy Hero.

Randy Gumkowski (INPGR)



Randy Gumkowski - January 16, 2024 at 08:37 PM

CV

Thank you! We miss him so much already!

Cheryl Valdahl - January 24, 2024 at 08:44 AM

BJ

“ *Bill and Linda Jegen purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Carl Edward Brown.*



Bill and Linda Jegen - January 16, 2024 at 06:13 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Carl Edward Brown.*



January 16, 2024 at 11:07 AM

LJ

“ Love, Jane & Jon planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carl Edward Brown.

Love, Jane & Jon - January 16, 2024 at 11:07 AM

LG

“ Love, Meghan, Lillie & Joe Griffin purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Carl Edward Brown.



Love, Meghan, Lillie & Joe Griffin - January 16, 2024 at 11:01 AM

LG

“ Love, Meghan, Lillie & Joe Griffin planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carl Edward Brown.

Love, Meghan, Lillie & Joe Griffin - January 16, 2024 at 11:01 AM