



Charles Koches

April 12, 1936 - May 17, 2024

Charles “Duke” Koches, age 88, of Merrillville, IN, passed away peacefully on May 17, 2024. He was born in Gary, Indiana, on April 12, 1936, to John and Irene (nee Kalina) Koches. Duke graduated from Tolleston High School. He was employed by the Budd Company and was a member of the Gary Sportsmen’s Club. Duke was preceded in death by his parents; brother, John (Betty); brother-in-law, Richard Bubik; niece, Amanda Heward; and longtime companion, Donna McGee. He is survived by his sisters: Arlene Bubik of Valparaiso, IN and Mitzi (Ken) Levander of Crown Point, IN; daughter, Vickie McGee and granddaughter; three nieces and three nephews. No services per Duke’s request. Burns Funeral Home & Crematory, Crown Point, IN, entrusted with arrangements. www.burnsfuneral.com

Tribute Wall

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“*"Duke" was an old friend from Gary, In. a stand-up kind of guy who always had your back. Sincere condolences to his family. R.I.P.*
Duke

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“*Duke was our best man at our wedding in June, 1962. I think he was the most different from all of John' friends... his manner of speech, and body language. He was always thoughtful and kind. A guy John and I were lucky to know and will never forget. He and Donna...❤️❤️. Nicki Giordano*

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