



## Dale "Doc" Ready

October 1, 1943 - January 24, 2025

Leslie Dale Ready, affectionately known as "Doc," passed away peacefully on January 24, 2025, in Crown Point at the age of 81. Born on October 1, 1943, in East Chicago, Doc led a life devoted to service, family, and community.

Doc's career was marked by dedication and integrity, serving as a Quality Control Director and later as a successful business owner. His commitment to excellence in his professional life was matched only by his passion for honoring veterans. As a proud member of the Indiana Patriot Guard Riders, Doc found great fulfillment in paying tribute to those who served their country.

In addition to his professional achievements, Doc was a decorated war hero and earned the prestigious Sheriff's Award from the Porter County Sheriff's Department, reflecting his bravery and commitment to protecting others.

Doc was preceded in death by his beloved spouse: Marie C. Ready; father: Lester Ready; mother: Rena Dertinger; and brother: Wally Ready. His memory and legacy continue through his cherished family: children: Michael (Lara), Kellie Armstrong, and Jason (Kim); sisters: Doreen and Amber; brother: Blaine; grandchildren: Amber, Justin, Ashley, Dylan, Austin, Brendan, and Kaitlynn; and great-grandchildren: Danielle, Asher, Zoey, and Willow. His warmth and generosity also touched the lives of many dear friends and extended family members.

A memorial service to celebrate Doc's life will be held on Saturday, February 1, 2025, at Burns Funeral Home, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., with military honors to follow. As we gather to honor Doc's memory, we remember a man of valor, kindness, and unwavering dedication to his loved ones and community. [www.burnsfuneral.com](http://www.burnsfuneral.com)

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests that donations be made to the Indiana Patriot Guard Riders, an organization close to Doc's heart.

Contributions can be made online at the following link:

Indiana Patriot Guard Riders Donations

Doc's legacy of love, courage, and service will forever be treasured by all who had the privilege of knowing him.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

FEB 1. 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Burns Funeral Home & Crematory - Crown Point  
10101 Broadway  
Crown Point, IN 46307  
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## Military Honors Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ My sincere condolences to all family... Capt. Dale 'Doc' Ready, May you rest in eternal peace my Brother & friend. My life was made better by having you in it. You were a mentor, an inspiration & will be missed by many...

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**Joe Breeden** - January 31, 2025 at 10:31 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dale "Doc" Ready.



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January 31, 2025 at 01:15 PM



“ Felicia Archuleta planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dale "Doc" Ready.

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**Felicia Archuleta** - January 31, 2025 at 11:04 AM



“ Felicia Archuleta purchased the Forever Our Angel Bouquet for the family of Dale "Doc" Ready.



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TC

“ I've known Dale since we were childhood neighbors and have been connected through our military service for many years. Rest in Heavenly Peace my Brother until we meet again 🙏. Prayers for the family. 🙏 He will be missed by many.

Thomas Cooper - January 30, 2025 at 07:28 PM

HS

“ Rode all over with Dale on funerals and escorts. ONE VERY DEDICATED VETERAN FOR OTHER VETS. SO PROUD TO HAVE KNOWN HIM.

Harry Stempf - January 30, 2025 at 01:19 PM

LA

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Lauderdale - January 30, 2025 at 06:27 AM

RL

“ Doc we met for the first time years ago when we started Avmra chapter 14. I learned so much from you and you always had that great smile. I'm so proud to have spent many of years helping you and the Patriot Guard with your guys missions. You will always be in conversations for many more years cause you touched so many people. I will miss you and our conversations my friend/brother 🇺🇸

Ronald a Lively - January 30, 2025 at 01:47 AM

DM

“ We lost a true Hero & will miss him dearly. Doc had a heart as big as gold for every military family he presented Old Glory to at funerals. Tears were always present.

Dr. Wes Molenaar - January 29, 2025 at 08:42 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dale "Doc" Ready.



January 29, 2025 at 03:15 PM

RD

“ Known Dale Doc Ready many years. Met him at a PGR function, funeral detail. Doc loved all Veterans and will be missed . R.I.P.

Roger Durham - January 29, 2025 at 02:00 PM

RG

“ To the family and friends, so sorry for your loss. Rest Easy Hero, and PGR Brother. We have it from here.

Randy Gumkowski (INPGR)



Randy Gumkowski - January 28, 2025 at 08:44 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Dale "Doc" Ready.



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January 28, 2025 at 04:33 PM