



George Wood Blackburn Jr.

September 22, 1943 - June 7, 2024

George Wood Blackburn, age 80, of Valparaiso, Indiana, passed away on June 7, 2024, at 8:27pm after a valiant fight against pancreatic cancer. Sadly, his heart and lungs were too weak after a bout with pneumonia. The VNA hospice in Valparaiso helped Dad transition peacefully.

Dad or Pop like the grandkids called him was a strong and caring man, known for being family-oriented, a great father and grandfather. When Dad met Sandy Cutler Robinson, the love of his life, he married her; with his 3 kids & her 3 kids life wasn't always easy but it was full of love for sure.

George had a fulfilling career, working for Standard Forge and Inland Steel. In addition to his work, he enjoyed fixing cars during his free time and weekends, eventually retiring to run his own lawn care service.

His hobbies included karate, fixing cars, camping, riding motorcycles, and being a member of Goldwing of America. George also enjoyed fishing, was a gun enthusiast, and proud NRA member.

He is survived by his daughters; Mary Anne Blackburn, Patty Becker, and Julie Betz, stepchildren; Gerald Robinson, and Sharon McKinney, as well as numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Services for George will be held on Monday, June 17th, at Burns Funeral Home, 701 E. 7th Street Hobart, Indiana. Visitation from 10am to 12pm with the funeral service following. The burial will take place at Ridgelawn Cemetery, 4401 W. Ridge Road Gary, Indiana. A celebration of life will be held at 2:30 pm at Paragon, 1701 E. 37th Avenue Hobart, Indiana where friends

and family can come together to share memories and enjoy a meal.

Cemetery Details

Ridgelawn

4401 W. Ridge Road
Gary, IN 46408

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 17. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

JUN 17. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Luncheon

JUN 17. 2:30 PM (CT)

Paragon
1701 E. 37th Avenue
Hobart, IN 46307

Tribute Wall

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“ *The Kingma's and the Peterson's purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of George Wood Blackburn Jr..*



The Kingma's and the Peterson's - June 14, 2024 at 10:50 AM