



## Norbert J Gawrysiak

February 10, 1945 - February 21, 2015

Norbert J. Gawrysiak, age 70, of Merrillville, passed away on February 21, 2015. Norb was a graduate of Hobart High School, Class of 1964. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, a lifetime member of V.F.W. Merrillville Post No. 1563 and a member of Schererville American Legion Post 485. He was the owner of E&N Pump and Control, established in 1970. He had a genuine passion for nature and desire to help people.

He was preceded in death by his wife and high school sweetheart, Florence in 2006; parents, Stanley and Helen Gawrysiak and brother, Eugene Gawrysiak. Survivors include two children- John (Dana) Gawrysiak of Hobart, Michelle (Ralph Pidgeon) Gawrysiak of Merrillville; two grandchildren – Joseph Gawrysiak, Danielle Gawrysiak; mother-in-law – Agnes Jones of Portage. Funeral Service Thursday, February 26, 2015 at 12:30 p.m. at Burns Funeral Home, 701 East 7th Street, Hobart. Friends may visit with Norb's family on Wednesday from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Burns (Hobart). Interment Calumet Park Cemetery, Merrillville. [www.burnsfuneral.com](http://www.burnsfuneral.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Calumet Park Cemetery

2305 W. 73rd Ave.  
Merrillville, IN 46410

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **25**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Burns Funeral Home - Hobart  
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## Funeral Service

FEB **26**. 12:30 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“Everyone must leave something in the room or left behind when he dies, my grandfather said. A child or a book or a painting or a house or a wall built or a pair of shoes made. Or a garden planted. Something your hand touched some way so your soul has somewhere to go when you die, and when people look at that tree or that flower you planted, you're there. It doesn't matter what you do, he said, so long as you change something from the way it was before you touched it into something that's like you after you take your hands away. The difference between the man who just cuts lawns and a real gardener is in the touching, he said. The lawn-cutter might just as well not have been there at all; the gardener will be there a lifetime.”

-Ray Bradbury, *Fahrenheit 451*

*I was sitting here packing as I prepare for my journey up I-65 when I thought of this quote and realized how much it applied to your father, Norb. Here is hoping your family finds some solace in these words.*

*Warmest regards,  
Brian Krecik*

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**Brian Krecik** - February 25, 2015 at 11:20 AM



“Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Norbert J Gawrysiak.



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February 25, 2015 at 09:19 AM

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“ *Our condolences to your families in this time of loss Michelle and John. Norb was a down to earth guy and always laid back. He will be missed.*

*Sincerest regards,*

*Brian and Sun-hee Krecik*

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**Brian Krecik** - February 23, 2015 at 05:49 PM