



## Paul E. Luedtke

October 4, 1952 - March 19, 2025

Paul E. Luedtke, age 72, of Valparaiso, Indiana passed away peacefully at home on March 19, 2025, surrounded by family.

He was born on October 4, 1952, in Gary, Indiana, to the late Les and Janet Luedtke.

Paul is survived by his loving wife of 21 wonderful years, Holly Luedtke; his children, Kelly (Kevin) Trinosky of Las Vegas, NV, Kevin (Patricia) Luedtke of Valparaiso, IN, William (Jen) Nelson of Wheeling, IL and Nicholas (Amanda) Nelson of Glen Ellen, IL. He was a proud grandfather to Riley, Abby, Micah, and Jason all of which brought him so much joy.

Paul is also survived by his siblings: David (Nancy) Luedtke, Bill (Donna) Luedtke, Sandy Luedtke, Randy (Doreen) Luedtke, and many beloved cousins, nieces and nephews.

He was a graduate of Hobart High School class of 1970. Paul served his country with honor in the United States Army. He cherished his years working alongside his father and brothers at the family roofing business before moving on to work at U.S. Steel as an ironworker/boilermaker for 28 years. Paul then became a journeyman Ironworker with Local 395 where he had the

opportunity to work with his son for many years before retiring in 2015. He found true fulfillment in those last 13 years of his career at Steven's Iron Works, where he was able to enjoy and share his passion for planning, designing and fabricating steel. Paul was a man of many talents and always willing to share his knowledge and strong work ethic with anyone willing to learn.

Paul was a simple family man who took great joy in life's quiet moments. He cherished time at the family property in Michigan, fishing trips to Minnesota, and visiting his favorite vacation spot St. Thomas. Paul loved spending time at home, working around the house and yard. His devotion to his family and anyone close to him left a lasting impression on everyone who knew him.

Paul will be deeply missed by all who had the privilege of knowing and loving him. A visitation will be held on Saturday, March 22, 2025, from 12 p.m. until the funeral service at 4 p.m. at Burns Funeral Home, 701 E. 7th Street, Hobart, IN. Rev. Steve Buchelt officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to Calvary Student Ministries [www.calvaryweb.net/ways-to-give](http://www.calvaryweb.net/ways-to-give)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 22. 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM (cst)

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

## Funeral Service

MAR 22. 4:00 PM (cst)

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# Tribute Wall

AP

“ *All our love Rachel & Stevie Primozic purchased the Your Light Shines for the family of Paul E. Luedtke.*



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**All our love Rachel & Stevie Primozic** - March 21, 2025 at 06:31 PM

BC

“ *Brad and Celeste purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Paul E. Luedtke.*



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**Brad and Celeste** - March 21, 2025 at 03:45 PM

RG

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

*Randy Gumkowski (INPGR)*



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**Randy Gumkowski** - March 21, 2025 at 01:17 PM

MZ

“ Paul was my best friend in high school. Many, many memories of cavorting around NW Indiana including hunting, fishing and typical teenage adventures. We shared our first apartment as well. As it happened, we served in the military at the same time. He in the Army and myself in the Air Force. We were also stationed in Germany at the same time. We stayed in touch for a few years after that but I lived in Arizona then moved to Florida and as life happens we drifted apart. Paul was the most loyal and trustworthy friend that I have ever known. My sincere condolences to his family and friends from Marshall Zimny



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**Marshall K Zimny** - March 21, 2025 at 10:52 AM

FH

“ so sorry for your loss

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**Fred deb halbe** - March 21, 2025 at 10:32 AM

KR

“ Kaitlin P, William E, and Amanda R purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Paul E. Luedtke.



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**Kaitlin P, William E, and Amanda R** - March 21, 2025 at 10:18 AM

MD

“ Maelinda D. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Paul E. Luedtke.

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**Maelinda D.** - March 21, 2025 at 09:46 AM

LC

“ *Lindy, Cindi, and Cole purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Paul E. Luedtke.*



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**Lindy, Cindi, and Cole** - March 20, 2025 at 11:28 PM

RF

“ *Russell Bothwell & Family purchased the Forever Our Angel Bouquet for the family of Paul E. Luedtke.*



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**Russell Bothwell & Family** - March 20, 2025 at 06:36 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Paul E. Luedtke.*

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March 20, 2025 at 06:18 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Paul E. Luedtke.*



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March 20, 2025 at 06:18 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Paul E. Luedtke.*

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March 20, 2025 at 06:10 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Paul E. Luedtke.

March 20, 2025 at 04:34 PM



“ Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Paul E. Luedtke.



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“ The Martino's (Las Vegas) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Paul E. Luedtke.

**The Martino's (Las Vegas)** - March 20, 2025 at 02:10 PM



“ The Martino's (Las Vegas) purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of Paul E. Luedtke.



**The Martino's (Las Vegas)** - March 20, 2025 at 02:10 PM