



## Paul F. Watland

May 18, 1940 - March 25, 2022

Paul F. Watland, age 81, passed away on Friday, March 25, 2022. After surviving myasthenia gravis 5 years ago, he lost his short battle with cancer at the University of Chicago Hospital surrounded by his family. He was adopted by John and Frances Watland when he was 2 years old. Paul graduated from Glenbrook North High School in 1958 and continued his studies at William Penn College. He enlisted in the United States Navy and served 4 years at Glenview Naval Air Station. He is survived by his wife, Linda, of 58 years; daughter Christine (Mike) Myers of Washington, Indiana; Erik Watland (Dora Mantis) of Crown Point; and daughter Brenda (Gary) Fox of Indianapolis. He is also survived by his sisters, Ruth Tadlock of Filer, Idaho; Marion MacDonald Young of Winter Haven, Florida; Anne MacDonald Bresset of Lakeland, Florida and brother, Donald MacDonald of Marble Falls, Texas. Paul is also survived by 5 grandchildren; Oliva Watland, Lucas Fox, Benjamin Myers, Alexander Myers and Hannah Fox. Paul was employed by the City of Crown Point Street Department for 33 years. He was a member of the Crown Point Volunteer Fire Department for 50 years and the IVFA District 2 chairman for 27 years. After retiring, Paul kept busy by serving as the substitute crossing guard for the City of Crown Point, driving the tractor at Kregel's Pumpkin Patch for 12 years with school groups and taking care of those coming in and out of gate 6 at the Lake County Fair for many years. He mowed the lawn at Trinity Lutheran Church for 12 years while also enjoying time traveling with his family and friends. A visitation will be held on Friday, April 1, 2022 from 2:00

p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Burns Funeral Home and Crematory, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point, IN. Funeral service will be held on Saturday, April 2, 2022, at Trinity Lutheran Church, 250 S. Indiana Avenue, Crown Point, IN. beginning with procession from Burns Funeral Home at 9:15 a.m. Reverend Lothar Thoelke officiating. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Paul's name to the Myasthenia Gravis Foundation, the American Cancer Society (melanoma), Trinity Lutheran Church or Crown Point Fire/Rescue. [www.burnsfuneral.com](http://www.burnsfuneral.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 1. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Burns Funeral Home & Crematory - Crown Point  
10101 Broadway  
Crown Point, IN 46307  
(219) 769-0044  
info@burnsfuneral.com  
<https://www.burnsfuneral.com/>

## Funeral Service

APR 2. 10:00 AM (CT)

Trinity Lutheran Church  
250 S. Indiana Avenue  
Crown Point, IN 46307

# Tribute Wall



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Paul F. Watland.*



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March 31, 2022 at 07:29 AM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Paul F. Watland.*



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March 30, 2022 at 09:48 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Paul F. Watland.*



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March 30, 2022 at 08:30 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Paul F. Watland.*



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March 30, 2022 at 04:43 PM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Paul F. Watland.



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March 30, 2022 at 11:58 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes* was purchased for the family of Paul F. Watland.



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March 29, 2022 at 09:58 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket* was purchased for the family of Paul F. Watland.



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March 29, 2022 at 07:42 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden* was purchased for the family of Paul F. Watland.



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March 29, 2022 at 07:16 PM

PL

“ I worked with Paul at gate 6 at the Lake County Fair for several years. He was always such a kind and personable man. I enjoyed his stories and was was fun to work with. I'll certainly miss him.

Patti Leininger - March 29, 2022 at 05:22 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Paul F. Watland.



March 29, 2022 at 04:27 PM

CP

“ Cathy P. lit a candle in memory of Paul F. Watland



Cathy P. - March 29, 2022 at 04:11 PM

CP

Brenda, Even though i didn't know your dad I know this is a very difficult time. Prayers to you and your family. Thinking of you and just know if you need anything i am there for you. So sorry for your loss my Deepest Condolences to you.

Cathy P. - March 29, 2022 at 04:14 PM

GS

“ So sorry for your loss. I remeber your dad as a very kind man. May your memories being you peace.

Gina Crawford Schaeffer - March 28, 2022 at 10:39 PM

CP

“ We are friends going back over 58 years.  
We spent time together before we both were married. I was in there  
wedding and Linda in ours. We have stayed in contact over the  
years. Paul will be missed .  
Prayers for family.  
Charlene & Jim Ponsler.

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**Charlene & Jim Ponsler** - March 28, 2022 at 08:18 PM