



## Steven "Steve" Patrick Toth

March 17, 1936 - March 5, 2025

Steven Patrick Toth, 88, of Hobart, Indiana passed away peacefully surrounded by his family at home on March 5, 2025. Steve was born on March 17, 1936, in East Chicago, Indiana to Steven and Josephine Toth. He was brother to Margaret Toth (Machuca). Steve was a graduate of Roosevelt High School and attended Dartmouth College. He also played football at Dartmouth and was a member of the sphinx. Steve returned to East Chicago and married Mary Barbara Karvelis, also of East Chicago, and quickly started a family. He served in the US Army and upon discharge attended Indiana University Bloomington where he earned his master's degree in education. Steve was a diligent and dedicated teacher of US History and Social Studies at East Chicago Roosevelt for 39 years. It brought him happiness to meet up with former students who often shared their gratitude for being such a great teacher.

Steve enjoyed the simple things in life: spending time with family and friends, tennis, golf, traveling, workouts at the YMCA, and especially reading, often devouring two or more books a week. He was a long-suffering Cubs and Bears fan, sticking with his teams through thick and thin. Steve was a faithful man and an active member in the Catholic Church, serving as lector for many years at St. Bridget's Church in Hobart. He was a loving and devoted husband to Mary for 65 years. He was a strong but sweet father to his children, Jeanne Paxton (Sam), Michael Toth (Lisa), and David Toth (Julie). A warm and loving grandpa to Emma, Maggie, Becca, Alex, Sydney, Caroline, and Will, and

great-grandfather to Celine. He will be missed greatly by all for his wonderful example of an earnest, peaceful man, finding joy in the everyday things in life. 'Yozee dotes potates!' was a favorite exclamation.

A special thank you to all of the caregivers that helped him and the family through his final days.

A visitation will be held at Burns Funeral Home and Crematory 701 East 7th Street Hobart, Indiana 46342 Sunday, March 9, 2025, 12:00 PM – 3:00 PM. A visitation will take place at Nativity of Our Savior Catholic Church 2949 Willowcreek Road Portage, Indiana 46368

Monday, March 10, 2025, from 10:00 AM until the time of Mass of Christian burial at 11:00 AM. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Nativity of Our Savior or St. Jude's Children's Hospital. [www.BurnsFuneral.com](http://www.BurnsFuneral.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Calumet Park Cemetery

2305 W. 73rd Ave.  
Merrillville, IN 46410

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 9. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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

## Visitation

MAR 10. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Nativity of Our Savior Church  
2949 Willowcreek Road  
Portage, IN 46368  
<http://2949>

## Mass of Christian Burial

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MAR 10. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

EB

“ My condolences to Steve’s family on his passing. My first wife, Mary Ellen Fary , and I attended East Chicago Roosevelt High School a couple of years behind Steve. and year behind his sister, Margie. My second wife, Joan Scherer Haugh attended Bishop Noll with Steve’s wife, Mary. Steve and I ended up golfing together when Warren Benko invited Harry Jacobson and me to join some retired teachers, which included Steve, Bob Hupke , Brad Piniak, Ed Wietecha and Jerry Woodward and some other teachers. He was a fun guy to be around. May our good Lord keep him in the Palm of His Hand!  
Steve always had a positive and happy attitude and he was a great guy to play a round of golf together. I am certain he will be missed by his family.

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**Edward Beatty** - March 13, 2025 at 08:19 PM

BS

“ Farewell to a great and wonderful Florida neighbor. A man that never had a bad word to say, but always had a good thought to share. Bill Soloy

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**Bill Soloy** - March 10, 2025 at 11:59 AM

SB

“ Thank you so for being such a wonderful brother to my mom. She sure loved her big brother. ❤️

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**Susanne Bauer** - March 10, 2025 at 10:38 AM

SB

“ Susanne Bauer planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Steven "Steve" Patrick Toth.

Susanne Bauer - March 10, 2025 at 10:31 AM

WS

“ Prayers to the family! Your father instilled in me the love of learning! I wanted to know more about the world from being in his classes! Thank you for having such a wonderful individual who definitely made a difference in my life! Violet Lukianczyk Seifert

wioleta seifert - March 09, 2025 at 11:15 PM

MB

“ Maria B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Steven "Steve" Patrick Toth.

Maria B. - March 09, 2025 at 12:52 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Steven "Steve" Patrick Toth.

March 09, 2025 at 08:00 AM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Steven "Steve" Patrick Toth.



March 07, 2025 at 09:04 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Steven "Steve" Patrick Toth.

March 07, 2025 at 08:24 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Steven "Steve" Patrick Toth.

March 07, 2025 at 07:05 PM



“ *Fairest of All* was purchased for the family of Steven "Steve" Patrick Toth.



March 07, 2025 at 07:05 PM



“ So sorry to hear of your family's loss, Jeanne and Sam. Sending warm and healing thoughts to you and your family.

**Amy Black** - March 07, 2025 at 03:42 PM



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

*Randy Gumkowski (INPGR)*



**Randy Gumkowski** - March 07, 2025 at 01:52 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Steven "Steve" Patrick Toth.

March 07, 2025 at 01:09 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Steven "Steve" Patrick Toth.



March 07, 2025 at 01:09 PM



“ The Reisinger's purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Steven "Steve" Patrick Toth.



The Reisinger's - March 06, 2025 at 10:18 PM



“ Woods and Holzgrebe families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Steven "Steve" Patrick Toth.

Woods and Holzgrebe families - March 06, 2025 at 09:14 PM

WF

“ Woods and Holzgrebe families purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Steven "Steve" Patrick Toth.



Woods and Holzgrebe families - March 06, 2025 at 09:14 PM

AB

“ Steve and I so enjoyed when we got together with Steve and Mary with Jeanne and Sam. Such a very nice man. we send hugs to Mary and the family.

Abrells - March 06, 2025 at 07:02 PM

KA

“ Kathy A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Steven "Steve" Patrick Toth.

Kathy A. - March 06, 2025 at 06:59 PM

MB

“ We so enjoyed the Thanksgivings, fun times at Jeanne and Sam's cottage, and meeting up in Ireland with Steve and Mary. He was a lovely man. God rest his soul. Mary and Bob

Mary and Bob - March 06, 2025 at 05:44 PM

JE

“ We always enjoyed playing 3/13 with Steve. Judy and Raleigh

judy Enslin - March 06, 2025 at 04:46 PM