



Carl Vernon Calaski III

December 8, 1952 - November 6, 2023

Carl Vernon Calaski, III

Born in San Antonio, Texas to Carl Vernon Calaski, Jr & Harriett Louise Roe on December 8, 1952, he passed from this world November 6, 2023 at the age of 70, with family at his bedside.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on November 22, 2023, 3:00p.m. at St. Paul's Catholic Church, 1413 E. 17th Street, Bloomington, Indiana. Graveside services will be held at a later date. Carl's ashes will be interred at Calvary Cemetery, Terre Haute, Indiana.

Carl served in the United States Army for 20 years from 1971-1991. He was a proud Army Veteran and his last nursing position was at the Veteran's Administration (VA) Clinic in Bloomington, where he spent 8 years caring for veterans. Carl earned his nursing degree after retiring from the Army and spent 18 years as an RN.

My dear sweet Carl is the love of my life and I will miss him with all my heart. We had 21 beautiful years together. We loved to camp, fish, and being on a boat was always a highlight for us, and we loved to travel. We were always happy just being with one another. He loved to spoil me, and he would do anything for me and I loved him for that. Our last week together was a whirlwind of events, we went to Gatlinburg, TN for our 20th anniversary. We had fun anniversary photos taken, despite him feeling so bad, that I will treasure forever. When we returned home him and my work family had planned a retirement party for me. So many wonderful memories!

Family meant the world to him, he loved his children Crystal, Brian & Kate, as well as my children Brian & Sarah, but the grandchildren were the light of his life. Anytime we could spend with the grandchildren was always special. We loved having them at our home or taking them camping, we treasured all these moments with them and always looked forward to future adventures with them.

Carl was preceded in death by his father, Carl Calaski, Jr., his biological mother, Harriett Louise Roe, his step-mother Katheryn Delay-Calaski, who raised him and his sisters, his step mother Glenda Combs-Calaski. Carl was also preceded in death by his two sisters Jo Ann Calaski-Blair and Anita Calaski.

Carl is survived by his spouse of 20 years, Patricia Calaski, his daughters Crystal (Chris) Shahan, Kate (Brad) Love, Brian (Vicki) Calaski; as well as Pat's children Brian (Ashley) Allen and Sarah Allen-Valentine. He is also survived by our precious grandchildren: Milan & Paris Tolbert, Jeremy & Jonathan Brooks, Richie & Emily Clapp, Becca, Ben, Brooke & Ava Calaski. Alex, Andrew, & AnaMae Valentine, and Madison & Hayden Allen. Great-grandchildren Xavier & Raelyn Arellano & River Tepe. Carl is also survived by 2 nephews, James & Daniel Blair, along with several nieces and nephews. Allen Funeral Home and Crematory 4155 South Old State Road 37 is handling the arrangements and online condolences, photos and memories may be shared with family and friend at www.allencares.com

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

NOV **22**. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

St. Paul's Catholic Center
1413 East 17th Street
Bloomington, IN 47408

Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Carl Vernon Calaski III.*



November 17, 2023 at 02:09 PM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Carl Vernon Calaski III.*



November 15, 2023 at 09:47 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Carl Vernon Calaski III.*



November 15, 2023 at 05:57 PM



“ *Local 4787 Professional Firefighters planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carl Vernon Calaski III.*

Local 4787 Professional Firefighters - November 15, 2023 at 05:57 PM

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“ I met Carl thru his wife Pat. I knew immediately he was a true Patriot, honest , and a real gentleman. He truly loved his wife and family, he was the kind of person we should all strive to be. He will be greatly missed.

Anita Thompson

Anita Thompson - November 15, 2023 at 10:57 AM

KL

“ One of my fondest memories of Dad was at Thanksgiving. He would Always fix Thanksgiving dinner. That is what he loved to do.

Kate Love - November 14, 2023 at 08:31 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Carl Vernon Calaski III.



November 14, 2023 at 12:31 PM

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“ Carl loved to go fishing. He always had about 20 poles off the boat. Once when we were camping at paynetown, we all loaded up in the boat to go out on the lake and Carl started yelling " STOP". After stopping the truck, He said " Where's the boat". We all got a huge laugh out of that. 🤔



Vickey - November 12, 2023 at 06:47 PM

LW

“ We met while serving in the Army in Saudi Arabia in 1984. The connection continued stateside. Friends forever, you will be missed. Our sincerest condolences to his family. Lee and Kerry Winkleman

Lee Winkleman - November 12, 2023 at 05:13 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Allen Funeral Home and Crematory - November 12, 2023 at 02:08 PM

AW

What a beautiful picture of you both

Ann& Walt - November 12, 2023 at 04:25 PM