



Carlin "Butch" Lee Ganstine

November 8, 1946 - August 5, 2024

Carlin Lee "Butch" Ganstine, 77, of Hall, entered the gates of Heaven on Monday, August 5, 2024, while in the care of IU Methodist Hospital. He was born in Indianapolis on November 8, 1946, to the late Cecil Lee and Ethel Marie (Schrowe) Ganstine.

Growing up on the southside of Indianapolis in a neighborhood called "Dog Patch", Butch was thick as thieves with his best friend Steve Johnson. He attended Southport High School and furthered his education taking night classes at Ivy Tech where he proudly earned his associate's degree in mechanical engineering technology. He took his degree and secured employment at the VA Hospital dedicating 34 years of service as a talented engineer deservingly retiring at the young age of 50. Purchasing a farm in the mid 80's in the quiet, country life of Morgan County, he built his forever home. One not to let grass grow under his feet, Butch worked for several local business, including Handy Hardware and Ace Hardware in Mooresville, Dairyland and was a consultant for Bulldog Power Equipment in Monrovia. In 2005, he opened his own business, Butch's Small Engine Repairs.

A true man of God, Butch was a faithful and devoted member of the Monrovia Christian Church as well as the Clayton First Baptist Church. Kind, gentle, and generous, he never met a stranger and was known to lend a hand to anyone in need. A kid at heart, his sense of humor often inspired him to tell jokes,

giving all around him a good laugh. With music in every fiber of his being, he was a self-taught musician who could play guitar and piano beautifully.

Meeting the love of his life, Stephanie Davison in 2017, the pair were set up on a blind date by a mutual friend. Butch took her to tractor Supply in Greencastle, and he said she was the best thing that ever happened to him. The couple were joyously united in marriage on June 30th the following year and the rest is history.

A woodworking master, Butch was always tinkering and building masterpieces. Continuously pushing his boundaries to reveal his capabilities, he constructed miniature replicas of Brown County, the Christian Church in Hall, an old-time wagon, as well as the two benches that sit in front of the Hobnob restaurant in downtown Nashville, IN. He adored John Deere tractors, accumulating quite the collection of miniatures, and could be found at the tractor exhibit at the Monrovia Festival, as well as the tractor show in Illinois yearly.

A stellar father and husband, Butch loved his family and his church family deeply. He had a smile that could light up a room and a presence that brought joy to the lives he touched. Although he is gone from our homes, his memory will live on in our hearts. His place is in Heaven now, where he lives among the angels.

Along with his parents, he was preceded in death by his grandson, Derek Smith.

Butch leaves behind his wife, Stephanie Ganstine of Hall; children, Becky Patino (Alex) of Lizton, Robin Smith (Bob) of Indianapolis, Butchie Ganstine (Kelly) of Mooresville, Courtney Holmes (Rick), Amanda Branch (Kris) both of NM, Meghan Ganstine (Dave) of Indianapolis, Levi Burgess (Tapanga) of

Monrovia, Tina Mercado of TX, Joe Davison of IL, Alice Faulkenberg (Frank) of Plainfield, and Nicholle Hartley (Scott) of Greencastle; siblings, Carlyle Ganstine (Brenda) of Camby, and Cecile Brooks of Beech Grove; along with several grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Cremation and Funeral Arrangements have been entrusted to Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel in Monrovia. Visitation will be held on Tuesday, August 13, 2024, from 4:00pm until a Celebration of Life Service at 7:00pm, with Pastor Bob Sampson officiating. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to help offset funeral costs by mail to Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel, 585 E. Main St., Monrovia, IN 46157, or online by clicking <http://paypal.me/LightMemorial>, and envelopes will be provided during services. To share a favorite story, send an online condolence to the family, or light a candle in Butch's memory, please visit his tribute page at www.lightmemorial.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 13. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel
585 East Main Street
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Celebration of Life Service

AUG 13. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



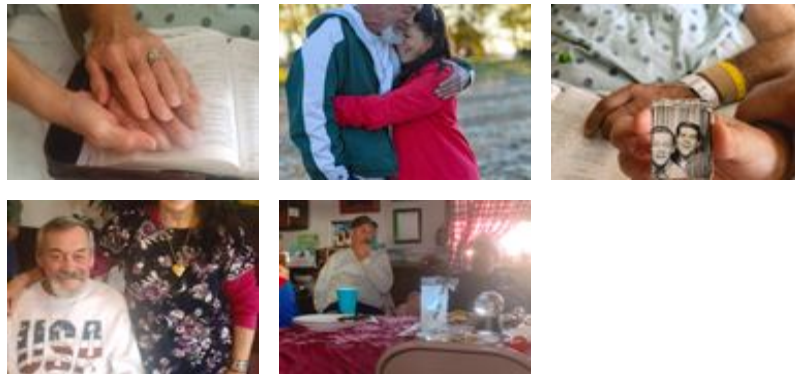
“ 89 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel - August 09, 2024 at 12:11 PM



“ 61 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel - August 08, 2024 at 05:56 PM



“ *Though its been many years Butch and I were close a long time ago. I helped him work in his house in Hall. Butch was a good man much respect for him.*

Robert York - August 08, 2024 at 12:42 PM

FV

“ Frank Olin & Children Heather & Vince planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carlin "Butch" Lee Ganstine.

Frank Olin & Children Heather & Vince - August 08, 2024 at 11:40 AM

JF

“ Brother, I'm going to miss you here on earth. You were a good friend and mentor, and your influence will be left on those that were around you. I appreciate all the encouragement you gave me, and the example you set for me. For certain, one day we will meet again. In the mean time, dance in those streets of gold and forever in the presence of King Jesus.
- JB Fisher

jeff fisher - August 07, 2024 at 10:49 PM

RC

“ Rita Crouse lit a candle in memory of Carlin "Butch" Lee Ganstine



Rita Crouse - August 07, 2024 at 10:19 PM

KL

“ Butch was an amazing & funny man! We had so much fun fishing off the boats & camping. You will forever be in our hearts Butch.



Kelly & Brad Lewis - August 07, 2024 at 05:08 PM

YF

“ Your National Roofing Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Carlin "Butch" Lee Ganstine.



Your National Roofing Family - August 07, 2024 at 05:00 PM

YF

“ Your National Roofing Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carlin "Butch" Lee Ganstine.

Your National Roofing Family - August 07, 2024 at 05:00 PM

RP

“ Rebecca Poag lit a candle in memory of Carlin "Butch" Lee Ganstine



Rebecca Poag - August 07, 2024 at 04:58 PM

RP

He will be missed. ❤️

Rebecca Poag - August 07, 2024 at 04:59 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carlin "Butch" Lee Ganstine.



August 07, 2024 at 09:30 AM

TE

“ Ted Everett Farm Equipment planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carlin "Butch" Lee Ganstine.

Ted Everett Farm Equipment - August 07, 2024 at 09:30 AM