



## Gilbert "Ray" Evans

August 10, 1955 - July 2, 2025

Gilbert "Ray" Evans, 69, of Monrovia, left this world unexpectedly in the early morning hours of Saturday, July 5, 2025. He was born in Indianapolis on August 10, 1955, to the late Loren Gilbert and Lela Marie (Morris) Evans.

Growing up in Indianapolis, Ray attended Northwest High School with the class of 1973. The oldest of seven brothers and sisters, he was large and in charge of them, and occasionally bossy in his role. He worked for various companies including Coca-Cola, Carter Trucking, and lastly as a dedicated truck driver for Fed Ex Freight where he devoted 19 years of service, deservingly retiring in 2017.

A hard-core Boston Red Sox fan, Ray was also a Minnesota Twins fan, but only by association with his brother. An avid reader, he enjoyed discussing politics (only if you agreed with him), watching crime shows, murder mysteries, and ghost hunting shows. A manly man, he could be found sitting on his porch watching the world go by while sipping bourbon and jamming out to the classic rock of the 70's. Charismatic, opinionated, and sarcastic, he was known for his dry sense of humor. A good friend to many, Ray liked family get togethers and will be forever missed by all who knew and loved him.

Along with his parents, Ray was preceded in death by his infant sister, Christina Evans, brother, Wayne Evans, and brother-in-law, Dallas Jackson.

He leaves behind his lifelong companion, Lisa Ann Zabst of Indianapolis; daughter, Misty Crull of Alexandria; grandchildren, Lela Crull of Monrovia, Christina Jackson of Waverly, Kenneth Jackson of Indianapolis, Michael Kizzee of Alexandria, and Logan Hood of New Palestine; great grandchildren, Liam McGinley of Monrovia, and Linnie Patrick of Waverly; siblings, Becky Vandiver (Roger) of Kokomo, John Evans of Amo, Lorinda Jackson of Kokomo, and Mike Evans (Gail) of Andover MN; along with his beloved dog, Riley.

Funeral and Cremation Arrangements have been entrusted to Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel in Monrovia. Visitation will be held on Tuesday, July 15, 2025, from 1:00pm until a Celebration of Life Service beginning at 3:00pm. Pastor Max Downs will officiate, and cremation will follow services. To share a favorite story, send an online condolence to the family, or light a candle in Ray's memory, please visit his tribute page at [www.lightmemorial.com](http://www.lightmemorial.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Cremation to Follow Services

Light Memorial  
585 E. Main Street  
Monrovia, IN 46157  
(317) 996-2101

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUL 15.** 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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## Celebration of Life Service

**JUL 15.** 3:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

RM

“ Ricky & Chris Malott purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Gilbert "Ray" Evans.



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**Ricky & Chris Malott** - July 15, 2025 at 06:30 AM

RM

“ Ricky & Chris Malott planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gilbert "Ray" Evans.

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**Ricky & Chris Malott** - July 15, 2025 at 06:30 AM

LT

“ Lynn and Tracey purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Gilbert "Ray" Evans.



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**Lynn and Tracey** - July 14, 2025 at 05:07 PM

LT

“ Lynn and Tracey planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gilbert "Ray" Evans.

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**Lynn and Tracey** - July 14, 2025 at 05:07 PM

SF

“ Schuster family. purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Gilbert "Ray" Evans.



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Schuster family. - July 11, 2025 at 03:55 PM

SF

“ Schuster family. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gilbert "Ray" Evans.

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Schuster family. - July 11, 2025 at 03:55 PM

LF

“ Love your Beaver Family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Gilbert "Ray" Evans.



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Love your Beaver Family - July 10, 2025 at 08:49 PM

Profile icon

“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Gilbert "Ray" Evans.



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July 10, 2025 at 06:54 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gilbert "Ray" Evans.

July 10, 2025 at 06:54 PM



“ 127 files added to the album LifeTributes



Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel - July 10, 2025 at 01:38 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Gilbert "Ray" Evans.



July 09, 2025 at 10:52 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gilbert "Ray" Evans.

July 09, 2025 at 10:52 AM

TD

“ I met Ray when I was just 14, 52 years ago. He was a great guy, very friendly, straightforward and loyal, and such a good support system for Lisa. He will be truly missed.

Tracy (Chapman) DeVore - July 08, 2025 at 01:47 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gilbert "Ray" Evans.



July 08, 2025 at 11:04 AM

SC

“ We are so sorry to hear of Rays passing. We will miss him immensely. Sending all our love to his family. From his extended family down south

Susan Coons - July 08, 2025 at 09:23 AM

CM

“ Chuck Mills purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Gilbert "Ray" Evans.



Chuck Mills - July 07, 2025 at 11:39 PM

DD

“ *Becky, Lorinda & families,  
We are so very sorry to hear of the passing of  
your brother Ray. We will be keeping you all &  
his family as well in our thoughts & prayers.  
May God comfort each of you during this very  
sad time. Praying for peace for all of you. Cherish all of your good  
times & memories together.*



*Our deepest sympathies,  
Dan & Veronica David & Family*

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**Dan & Veronica David** - July 07, 2025 at 10:10 PM

ML

“ *So sorry to hear of your loss. Prayers to family.  
Cousin Marcia (FERMAN) Lambert*

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**Marcia Lambert** - July 07, 2025 at 10:06 PM

MJ

“ *My deepest condolences to all of you. I only  
met Ray a few times, but he seemed like a  
super great guy. His love for Misty, Lela, and  
Christina was obvious, and now the same for  
Liam and Linnie. The times that Christina  
would stay with me, as a baby, she was always dressed so cute!  
Misty would always say, "My dad bought that for her". I hope you all  
can take some comfort in knowing that he knew how much he was  
loved. This saddens me to no end because I know what he meant to  
all of you. May he rest in peace. †*



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**Marietta Jackson** - July 07, 2025 at 06:28 PM

JK

*I knew Ray when I was younger. He was a good guy*

**Jeanne Bland Kistler** - July 07, 2025 at 10:09 PM