

Paul Shepherd

July 5, 1951 - March 25, 2017

Paul David Shepherd, 65, of Monrovia, Indiana, passed peacefully from this life on March 25, 2017, while listening to his favorite song at St. Francis Hospital in Mooresville. He was born on July 5, 1951, in Indianapolis, to the late Marie and Henry Shepherd.

Paul attended George Washington High School in Indianapolis, graduating in 1969. He later earned a PhD in Theology. While in high school, Paul was a Cadet Lieutenant Colonel in the Army ROTC over Washington High School and Ben Davis High School. After graduation, Paul went on to basic training in the United States Army and was assigned to the Army Security Agency in Vietnam, where he proudly served his country for two years.

After his service in the Army, Paul spent two years studying electrical engineering at IUPUI. He was employed as a state constable for a year and a half at the state office building, before entering in conservation work in Lawrence County. In addition to these accomplishments, Paul also worked for the Marion County Sheriff's Department, Indianapolis Capitol Police, and was a Pastor and teacher at Grace Community Church.

Paul was introduced to his future wife, Julie Abner, by his father at Mann's Grill, where Julie worked as a grill cook. They fell in love and dated for nearly ten years before marrying on July 4th, 1991. Together they took over Paul's

family business, Shepherd's Shoe Repair in Indianapolis.

A perfectionist, Paul believed if you were going to do a job, you should do it right. He was persistent, stubborn and firm, yet loving. He enjoyed woodworking, fishing, going to auctions and shooting guns; he was often called the "Pistol Packing Pastor". Paul spent five years in Florida setting up shoe repair shops, where he found solace surfing and swimming in the ocean. He will be deeply missed.

Paul is survived by his loving wife, Julie Shepherd; daughters, Kimberly Storm (Jake) of Avon, Jennifer Stone (Zach) of Avon, Christina Richey (Brian) of Indianapolis, and Amy Richey of Monrovia; sons, Kevin Shepherd of Indianapolis, David Richey (Ashley) of Monrovia, and Joshua Richey of Indianapolis; ex-wife, Kathy Deakin Tussy of Indianapolis; sister, Carolyn Farmer of Plainfield; like a brother, Mike Shepherd of California; and special fur baby, Day Day.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held at 8:00 p.m., on Friday, March 31, 2017, at Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel in Monrovia, with visitation held prior beginning at 4:00 p.m. Services will be officiated by Pastor Mike Boldock. Military honors will be conducted at the funeral home and cremation will follow services. Memorial contributions may be made to help the family offset funeral expenses c/o Light Memorial. To share a favorite story, upload a picture, sign the online guest registry or light a candle on Paul's tribute wall visit www.lightmemorial.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 31. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel
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Monrovia, IN 46157
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Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall



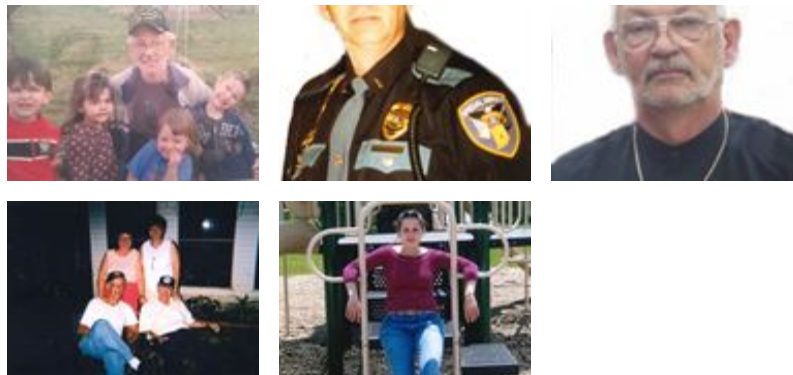
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“ *Dad,
I am so glad you are now with our Heavenly Father. No more struggle and no more pain. I am thankful for the moments we spent before you went home. I have my memories and will cherish them as well as our many conversations. Rest Daddy.*

Love always,

Kim (Aka Your Princess)

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