



David Lynn Groff

January 29, 1947 - January 1, 2024

David Lynn Groff,

76, of Indianapolis, passed away peacefully with family by his side on January 1, 2024. He was born January 29, 1947 in Urbana, Illinois to the late J. Lowell Groff and Velma L. (Darr) Groff. David moved with his family to Indianapolis when he was 5. David attended Indianapolis Public Schools, and in later years attended Ball State University where he received a Degree in Journalism.

David loved reading historical novels, and books about writers; he loved reading about the art of salesmanship and advertising, and books about public speaking. Over the years David wrote numerous stories about people he had encountered during his life. He wrote an unpublished biography of his own life, a labor of love for him.

David loved his family deeply, but his greatest love of all was the Word of God. David feared the Lord always. When defending the Word, he was unwavering. He often shared the Word and was no respecter of persons when he did so. David, especially in the earlier years of being saved, preached whenever the opportunity presented itself. He was involved in Calvary's outreach program to Central State Hospital, and he worked with the bus ministry. In later years David was unable to attend services, but for over 50 years, he always considered Calvary Tabernacle his home church. David was a miracle of God's grace.

Visitation will be Friday, January 12, 2024 from 4:00 p.m. until the time of service at 7:00 p.m. at Calvary Tabernacle, 902 Fletcher Avenue. Burial will be

Saturday, January 13, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. at Forest Lawn Memory Gardens, Greenwood.

David is survived by his devoted daughter and caregiver, Nicholle L. Wickert (Joshua); grandchildren, Ezekial, Lilliann, Kendrick and Jameson; along with the love of his life for fifty years, Linda; siblings, Sheila Harry, Barbara Chestnet, Carol Stafford (Bill), and Kevin Groff.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to Calvary Tabernacle Food Pantry. Final care and arrangements are entrusted to Shirley Brothers Thompson Road Chapel.

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn Memory Gardens

1977 S State Rd 135
Greenwood, IN 46143

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 12. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

CALVARY TABERNACLE
902 Fletcher Ave
Indianapolis, IN 46203

Funeral Service

JAN 12. 7:00 PM (ET)

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902 Fletcher Ave
Indianapolis, IN 46203

Graveside Service

JAN 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

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1977 S State Rd 135
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Tribute Wall

JB

“ Nicholle - I am so sorry for your loss. My dad (Jeff Larkin) and your dad were friends when they were young in Indianapolis and when my dad passed in 2014, your dad sent me a lovely email and spoke so highly of his love for you and about the beauty of the "father-daughter" relationship.

I would love to share his email with you and ask you a couple questions. If/when you're up for it, please feel free to email me at jenny.bergman@donaldson.com.

Again, sorry for your family's loss. I wish you healing and peace.

Jenny (Larkin) Bergman

Jenny Bergman - January 22, 2024 at 09:21 AM

MA

“ Messiga Dogbe Antoinette lit a candle in memory of David Lynn Groff



Messiga Dogbe Antoinette - January 14, 2024 at 05:51 AM



“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Shirley Brothers Mortuaries & Crematory - January 12, 2024 at 08:47 AM

DD

It was an honor to have known you David. You will be missed. Delali DOGBE

Delali Dogbe - January 14, 2024 at 02:27 AM

NK

Our condolences to the whole family. Neila (Delali's sister) and her husband Pierre from Wattignies (France)

Neila and Pierre KINGBÉDÉ - January 14, 2024 at 04:55 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of David Lynn Groff.*



January 10, 2024 at 01:01 PM

PW

“ *Dear Linda & Family,*

*Steve and I send our sincere condolences for your loss. May all your memories be a comfort to you in the days ahead. Due to being out of town, we will miss the service. We will be thinking of you all.
Paula & Steve Wildridge*

Paula Wildridge - January 08, 2024 at 05:30 PM

BW

“ *I remember back in the 1970s when David brought a bunch of mentally challenged kids to Calvary. After service, although he didn't have any money, he would buy the whole bunch lunch. Unfortunately, due to work schedule, I was unable to go to the service. Brent Welke*

Brent Welke - January 08, 2024 at 08:39 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of David Lynn Groff.*



January 04, 2024 at 03:08 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of David Lynn Groff.*



January 04, 2024 at 02:20 PM