



## Joel Starr Davis

January 13, 1950 - January 19, 2026

Joel Starr Davis,

76, of Indianapolis, passed away January 19, 2026. He was born January 13, 1950 in Cherokee, Iowa to the late Milo L. and Shirley M. (Starr) Davis. Joel was a graduate of Aurelia High School, Aurelia, Iowa. He proudly served his country in the U.S. Navy and was employed with U.S. Air for 34 years, retiring in 2011. Joel was a member of the Indianapolis Airport Association and a huge Green Bay Packer fan.

Joel is survived by his loving wife of 25 years, Sandra Davis; children, Kelli M. Miller (Richard), Justin Davis (Susan) and J.D. Davis; stepchildren, Jason Stodghill, Jamie Stodghill (Jennifer) and Shannon Burke (Alvin "A.J."); sister, Karen Peck; grandchildren, Rilee, Kelsi (Trace), Braeden, Alee, Adelynn, Vicki Claire, Abbie, Jackson, Brayden, Braylea, Bronsyn, Kirklin, Nick, Rosie and Tyler; and great-grandson, Bodee. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Vicki D. (Ortloff) Davis; brother, Charles Davis; sister, Sharon Johnson; and grandson, Riker Miller.

A Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, April 25, 2026 from 1:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. at Greenwood VFW Post #5864, 1842 Veterans Way, Greenwood, IN 46143. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Disabled American Veterans online at <https://help.dav.org/>

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

APR **25**. 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Greenwood VFW Post #5864  
1842 Veterans Way  
Greenwood, IN 46143

# Tribute Wall

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“ I had the pleasure of working with Joel at LAX, always in good spirits, and yes, good for a laugh or two..Never forget the day ,Joel and a former college, maybe even pro football player named Leon, decided to have a foot race out on the ramp...I didn't think Joel stood a chance in this race.. You see,Joel was a bit heavy around the mid section, but I found out that didn't make a difference. Joel blew the doors off of big Leon! Amazing how those short but powerful legs operated to carry the Iowa farm boy frame to victory ! A wonderful human being, God bless Joel and his family.

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**Tim Mcpherson** - February 09 at 05:05 PM

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Thank you for sharing ❤️

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**Kelli Miller** - April 08 at 07:35 AM



“ I worked with Joel in LA, Seattle and Indy I always knew if I was working with Joel for the day it would be a good day. He would surely make me laugh sometime during the day. One time LA back room, Joe and I were goofing off wrestling and we all know how strong Joel was after a bit he mumbled. I'm hungry lifted me over his head, sat me on the back cart and said I'm going to lunch.

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**Terry Johnson** - January 21 at 12:33 PM

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I worked with Joel in IND. What a great guy! Always fun to be around. When he was performing a job you could be assured it would be done correctly. Rest In Peace, Joel. You will be missed!

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**Chris Kessler** - January 31 at 09:06 PM