



Ronald Wayne Warren

April 9, 1941 - February 28, 2023

Ronald Wayne Warren, 81, a lifelong resident of Indianapolis, passed away on February 28, 2023. He was born on April 9, 1941, to the late Herbert Lewis Warren and Dorothy (Hill) Warren. Ron was a graduate of Arsenal Technical High School, and he proudly served his country in the U.S. Army from May 1963-May 1966, with stations in both Texas and a 1-year stay in Germany. He married Marie Shepherd on October 4, 1963, and worked for United Parcel Service (UPS) as a Porter for 35 years.

After retirement, Ron loved to keep busy with many jobs and volunteer activities. He was a driver for Shirley Brothers Mortuaries, Security Officer at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, an Election Poll Worker in his precinct, a groundworker at Paul's Nursery Indy, and at age 80 began working for the Dollar General 2 blocks from his house. He volunteered at the Garfield Park Conservatory and Sunken Garden, the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra, the ICAN Food Pantry at Downey Avenue, gave blood faithfully to the Indianapolis Blood Center for 50 years, and had almost 6,000 volunteer hours over 17 years as a Volunteer and Community Hospital East Auxiliary Board Chairperson. He brought the donuts to his monthly Woodworking Club meetings, loved gardening, growing cacti, classical music, recycling, and helping his neighbors with their lawns.

In addition to his jobs and volunteer activities, his true passion was the Church. He grew up and spent his younger married life in Englewood Christian Church, actively involved in a variety of ways. In midlife, his family

began attending their neighborhood church, Meadlawn Christian Church, where being a Deacon he was extremely active in the leadership, and also took responsibility for the physical caretaking of the building and grounds. Visitation will be Tuesday, March 7, 2023, from 12:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Irving Hill Chapel, 5377 E. Washington Street with funeral services there at 2:00 p.m. For those unable to attend the service will be livestreamed and available by clicking on the following link: <https://client.tribucast.com/tcid/8896988228>

Ron is survived by his daughter, Susie Steel (Kevin); grandchildren, Blake Steel (Kelly), Ashley Steel, and Athena Steel; and nieces and nephews (Linda Stamper, Terry Stamper, Danny Kelly, David Kelly, Steve Kelly, and Kevin Hilbert). He was preceded in death by his wife of 42 years, Marie Warren; and sisters, Betty Hilbert (Palmer) and Doris Kelly (Ulyess).

Ron's Community Hospital East Auxiliary Board recently discussed raised garden beds to grow veggies and herbs for the food pantry efforts and an outside area with picnic tables. The family intends to have a named tribute, in Ron's honor, as a part of the Auxiliary effort. If you would like to participate in this tribute, in lieu of flowers, contributions can be made in Memory of Ron Warren, directly to the Community Health Network Foundation for Auxiliary Services East, 7330 Shadeland Station, Suite 150, Indianapolis, IN 46256.

Cemetery Details

Oaklawn Memorial Gardens

9700 Allisonville Rd.
Indianapolis, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 7. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Irving Hill Chapel
5377 E. Washington St.
Indianapolis, IN 46219
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info@shirleybrothers.com
<https://www.shirleybrothers.com>

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ I work with Ron at Community hospital East as a volunteer. He was a great man and like to tease alot

Bob Lasher - March 05, 2023 at 03:00 PM

EP

“ Earl, Barbara, Lori, Lisa, and Paula purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Ronald Wayne Warren.



Earl, Barbara, Lori, Lisa, and Paula - March 05, 2023 at 10:38 AM



“ When we were kids we called him Uncle Funny Face because he was always making faces and telling jokes to make Susie, Lisa, Paula, and I laugh. Throughout my life, whenever I would think of him, I would smile. He will be missed very much.

Lori Barnhart - March 05, 2023 at 09:56 AM

DP

“ I meet Ron, Right after my son, Bought his house next-door to him this week, It was a very nice person, I continue running to him, At the voting polls, Community Hospital, Where he would do his volunteer work, He seem to keep himself very busy, He was a very pleasant person to talk to.

Denelda Parmer - March 04, 2023 at 08:07 PM

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“ I met Ronnie almost 60 years ago when we both married the Shepard sisters, Marie and Barbara. He was a patriot serving in the U.S Army at the time. A great Dad, good friend, and stalwart volunteer in his community. He will be missed.

Earl Roe - March 03, 2023 at 02:03 PM

JH

“ My very good friend, and one of the finest men I have ever known.

John William Helfrich - March 03, 2023 at 12:58 PM