



## Stephen E. Blankinship

October 16, 1952 - June 6, 2025

Stephen E. Blankinship, 72, of Indianapolis, passed away June 6, 2025. He was born October 16, 1952 in Spring Valley, Illinois to the late Marion and Neva (Baughman) Blankinship. Stephen was a graduate of Speedway High School and received his bachelor's degree in mathematics from Purdue University. He married Nancy Ann Sheridan June 4, 1977. Stephen was employed with Noble Centers, which assists adults with disabilities, for 13 years inspiring him to become a basketball coach for Special Olympics. He then went into management for Trends International Distribution Center for 20 years, retiring in 2016.

Stephen was in Boy Scouts of America where he reached the esteemed level of Eagle Scout and eventually Fire Crafter where he was the Chief of the Minisino Council. In his spare time, he enjoyed gardening, music, and spending time with family and friends.

Visitation will be Wednesday, June 11, 2025 from 11:00 a.m. until the time of service at 1:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel, 9606 East Washington Street.

Stephen is survived by his loving wife of 48 years, Nancy Blankinship; children, Amanda Leiber (Raymond), Justin Blankinship (Brandy), and Emily Parker (Jonathan); grandchildren, Emma G. Leiber, Henry S. Leiber, Ava M. Parker, and Delaney C. Parker; sisters, Judith Barreda, Dolores Sweet (William), and Cynthia Torrance (Michael); and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his brother-in-law, Louie Barreda.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Boy Scouts of America and/or Old Bethel Food Pantry.

# Cemetery Details

## Crown Hill Cemetery

700 W. 38th St.  
Indianapolis, IN 46208

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 11. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

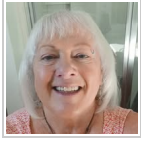
Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel  
9606 E. Washington Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46229  
(317) 897-9606  
<https://shirleybrothers.com/>

## Funeral Service

JUN 11. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Steve and Nancy were the best neighbors and friends that could be for 25 years. Rest in peace.

Leah Michael - June 11, 2025 at 09:21 PM



“ The Leiber's purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Stephen E. Blankinship.



The Leiber's - June 10, 2025 at 02:38 PM



“ The Leiber's planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Stephen E. Blankinship.

The Leiber's - June 10, 2025 at 02:38 PM



“ Holly & Troy McFadden purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Stephen E. Blankinship.



Holly & Troy McFadden - June 10, 2025 at 02:35 PM

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“ Chad, Talena, Lucy and Lily Huntsman purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Stephen E. Blankinship.



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**Chad, Talena, Lucy and Lily Huntsman** - June 10, 2025 at 08:52 AM

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“ Deardra and Patrick Cook purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Stephen E. Blankinship.



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**Deardra and Patrick Cook** - June 09, 2025 at 10:43 PM

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“ Cindy and Mike Torrance and family purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of Stephen E. Blankinship.



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**Cindy and Mike Torrance and family** - June 09, 2025 at 04:23 PM

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“ Cindy and Mike Torrance and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Stephen E. Blankinship.

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**Cindy and Mike Torrance and family** - June 09, 2025 at 04:23 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Stephen E. Blankinship.*



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June 08, 2025 at 01:15 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Stephen E. Blankinship.*



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June 07, 2025 at 09:28 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Stephen E. Blankinship.*

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June 07, 2025 at 09:28 AM



“ *I am saddened to hear of Steven's passing. The same week we lost my dad. I pray for your comfort as you grieve your loss and hope the memories carry you from day to day.*

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**Bonnie Roy (nee McFarland)** - June 06, 2025 at 08:29 PM



“ *Nancy and family. I am so sorry to hear about Steves passing. Love and prayers go out to all of you. Chris ( Schroeder) Byers*

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**Chris Byers** - June 06, 2025 at 07:48 PM