



A. Keith Prough

October 13, 1940 - October 17, 2025

A. Keith Prough, 85 of Bluffton passed away Friday afternoon, October 17, 2025, at Christian Care Retirement Community.

He was born on October 13, 1940, in Fort Wayne, Indiana to Atley Pet & Eunice Victoria (Shady) Prough. A 1959 graduate of Lafayette Central High School, Keith and Mary Kay (Culp) were married on August 1, 1964, in Logansport, Indiana.

A faithful servant of Jehovah God, Keith had an unwavering trust in His promises and drew strength from his beliefs, regularly telling others about God's Kingdom and our wonderful hope for the future in a paradise earth, and never missed an opportunity to tell others about his faith!

Keith worked at Byerly Construction, Newport Heating & Plumbing and Schwartz Plumbing & Heating. IN 1983, Keith started Prough & Liby Plumbing, Heating & Electrical and worked until he retired in 2007.

He loved flying kites and searching for seashells in Florida, model trains and collecting cars, coins and rocks, along with radio-controlled planes.

Keith is survived by his wife of 61 years, Mary Kay Prough of Bluffton, along with their children: Timothy (Jami) Prough of Bluffton, Tarena (Todd) Kirts of

Brookston and Trent (Doris) Prough of Fort Wayne.

He was a loving grandpa to 5 grandchildren: Derek (Lacey) Prough, Trevor (Elyse) Prough and Jaci Prough, all of Bluffton, Gabe (Olivia) Prough of Des Moines, Iowa and Ethan Prough of Fort Wayne, and 2 great-grandchildren: Jason Prough and Emily Prough, both of Bluffton, along with a sister, Sharilyn (Rick) Reynolds of Bluffton. Keith was the "favorite uncle" to many nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents and a son, Troy K. Prough.

Services will be held at 4 P.M. on Saturday, (November 8, 2025) at Maplecrest Congregation Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, located at 11181 State Rd 37 E, New Haven, IN, 46774.

Memorial may be made in Keith's memory to the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witness, designated for Worldwide Work, and can be sent to the funeral home.

As a family, we are so very grateful for the gift of Keith's life. He was a wonderful husband, father, brother, friend and spiritual brother - a man whose zest for life, love for his family and deep faith enriched the lives of everyone who knew him. While our hearts are hurting, we eagerly await the day we will see him again. Until then, we carry his memory in our hearts and remember him for the wonderful man that he was!

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Lemler family of Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Friends can send condolences online to the Prough family at www.thomarich.com.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

NOV 8. 4:00 PM (ET)

Maplecrest Congregation Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses
11181 State Road 37 East
New Haven, IN 46774

Tribute Wall



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of A. Keith Prough.*



November 08, 2025 at 09:58 AM



“ *The Mays planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of A. Keith Prough.*

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Christian love, Miller's and Larkins - November 06, 2025 at 07:38 PM



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CB

“ Chris B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of A. Keith Prough.

Chris B. - November 06, 2025 at 07:20 PM

JE

“ What a wonderful soul. I remember him as a very young man helping my dad with work on a pump or some other travesty at our house. One of a kind, just a good guy!. My deepest sympathy to Mary Kay, Sharilyn and the family. 🙏

Jennifer Scott Ellebracht - October 28, 2025 at 11:34 AM

BB

“ Many memories of Keith when he worked for Dad always had a smile on his face, later as we grew older we shared those memories...always a favorite cuz!!

Bill Byerly - October 22, 2025 at 08:06 AM

DR

“ I always enjoyed stopping and talking to Keith as I did my morning walks. We reminisced many times about Wells, Huntington, Adams, and Allen County high school basketball. We also spoke of our newspaper delivery days and swimming at BAB pit. I will miss our chats.

Dave Reinhard - October 21, 2025 at 10:50 AM

BH

Mary Kay and Family
My sympathy in your loss off a wonderful husband, father and grandfather. We were classmates at LC for all 12 years and I have lots of fond memories of our school days. It was always great to see Keith over the many years and reminisce over our school days. 🙏

Barbara Hanauer - October 22, 2025 at 08:46 AM

DG

“ Sadden to learn of Keith’s passing. Always enjoyed talking and visiting with him. He was always grateful when I brought him bags of bluegill. Keith really enjoyed them. He was one of the hundreds of loyal customers we had at the walleye fish stand when we were at the fairs. The Prough family will be in our prayers. Dan and Darlene Gerdom



Dan Gerdom - October 17, 2025 at 05:26 PM