



## Alonzo D. Kahn

December 5, 1964 - October 4, 2024

Alonzo D. Kahn, 59, of Rossford, Ohio, and a longtime Bluffton resident, passed away on Friday, October 4, 2024, at his residence.

He was born on December 5, 1964, in Wells County, Indiana to Robert E. “Strawberry” & Bertie Lou (Day) Kahn. He attended Southern Wells High School. Alonzo worked for the last 42 years for Hulcher Services as a Train Wrecker starting at the Bluffton Division and moved to work out of the Toledo, Ohio Division in 1995.

He enjoyed riding his Harley Davidson Motorcycles, and racing cars on the circle dirt track racing circuit. He was always willing to teach others how to do things and was a talented person that could build or fix anything.

Survivors include his children: Heath Alonzo (Alexis Scott) Kahn of Oregon, Ohio, DayLynn Kahn of Rossford, Ohio, Cody R. (Jenna) Kahn of Genoa, Ohio and Gabriel J. (Payton) Kahn of Rossford, Ohio. Alonzo was a loving grandpa & PaPaw to 4 grandchildren: Castiel Ball, Maya Kahn, Ryan Alonzo Kahn and Delaney Marilyn Kahn.

He is also survived by his siblings: Teresa Waitley of Bluffton, Robin Gaunt of Poneto, April Brandt of Bluffton, Canda Trissell of Bluffton and Kevin C. Kahn of Poneto.

Alonzo is preceded in death by his parents, Strawberry and Bertie Kahn, and a brother, Robert E. Kahn, Jr.

Funeral Services will be held at 1 P.M. on Tuesday, (October 15, 2024) at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton with his niece, Brandy Gibson

officiating.

Visitation will be held from 9 A.M. to 1 P.M. on Tuesday, prior to the service at the funeral home. Burial will follow next to his parents at Woodlawn Cemetery in Montpelier, Indiana.

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

# Cemetery Details

## Woodlawn Cemetery

6448 N Woodlawn Dr & E State Road 18  
Montpelier, IN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 15. 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home  
308 West Washington Street  
Bluffton, IN 46714  
(260) 824-3850  
[info@thomarich.com](mailto:info@thomarich.com)

## Funeral Service

OCT 15. 1:00 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home  
308 West Washington Street  
Bluffton, IN 46714  
<http://www.thomarich.com>

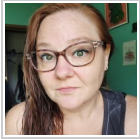


GR

“ 29 years, just shy of 30, we've been friends, with never a cross word that I can remember. We rode thousands of miles on the Harleys across country and down South, cleaned up many derailments together and ate many lunches and dinners, all with hours of conversation. You were ALWAYS there when I needed help and I tried to do the same. You loved your kids and grandkids, your old blue truck and old western movies. You are and will always be missed by many, especially me. Love you! Your friend forever, Gary Royalty

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**gary royalty** - October 26, 2024 at 02:55 PM



“ We are so very sorry to hear about Lonnie's passing. I got the chance to hang out with him quite a few times, including when he hired me to take senior pics for his son. Amazing person, fun to talk to and be around. I wish I got to know him better before this. Condolences to the kids and other family. From Crystal and Chris Newman



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**Crystal Newman** - October 20, 2024 at 10:53 AM

CB

“ My sincere condolences to Lonnie’s family. Lonnie was a great person that is embedded in the fondest memories I have from railroading. Even after I retired Lonnie and I spoke occasionally. It didn’t matter how time passed us by we still had laughs of time gone by and discussed issues we shared interest in. Railroading, wrecking, cars and motorcycles.

One of my memories that I cherish was when someone said they ran into a guy in Canada that said I punched him at a derailment site! It was Lonnie sharing one of the good times we had years before. No matter where I went on the railroad we managed to cross paths.

Everywhere I went, people knew Lonnie and spoke highly of him. I will always remember him as a good friend.

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**Chris Buttermore** - October 17, 2024 at 12:16 PM

JS

“ Josiah Saxe purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Alonzo D. Kahn.



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**Josiah Saxe** - October 16, 2024 at 03:50 PM

JS

“ Josiah Saxe planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Alonzo D. Kahn.

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**Josiah Saxe** - October 16, 2024 at 03:50 PM

BF

“ Burdine family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Alonzo D. Kahn.

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**Burdine family** - October 14, 2024 at 03:58 PM



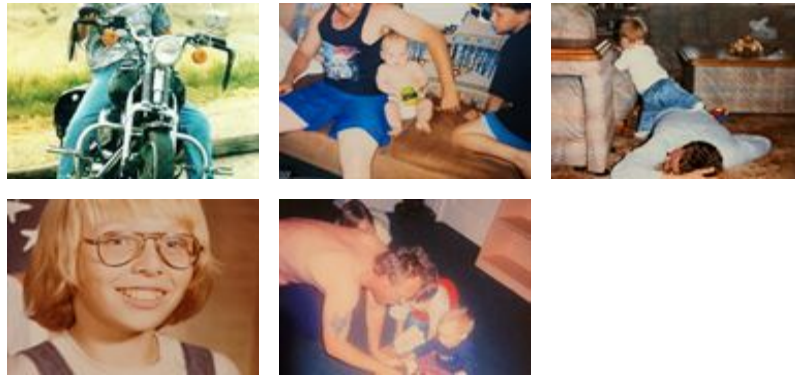
“ Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Alonzo D. Kahn.



October 14, 2024 at 03:58 PM



“ 44 files added to the album Life Tributes



Thoma/Rich,Lemler Funeral Home - October 14, 2024 at 03:52 PM



“ Ryan & Kristie Bauman planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Alonzo D. Kahn.

Ryan & Kristie Bauman - October 14, 2024 at 01:13 PM



“ Ryan & Kristie Bauman purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Alonzo D. Kahn.



Ryan & Kristie Bauman - October 14, 2024 at 01:13 PM

BW

“ Bubba and Brenda Whitlow purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Alonzo D. Kahn.



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**Bubba and Brenda Whitlow** - October 14, 2024 at 11:37 AM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Alonzo D. Kahn.



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October 14, 2024 at 09:47 AM

YC

“ Your friends at Conrail purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Alonzo D. Kahn.



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**Your friends at Conrail** - October 14, 2024 at 08:32 AM

GR

“ Gary and Debbie Royalty purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Alonzo D. Kahn.



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**Gary and Debbie Royalty** - October 13, 2024 at 08:27 PM

MF

“ *Marvin Vangorden and family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Alonzo D. Kahn.*



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**Marvin Vangorden and family** - October 12, 2024 at 08:41 AM

MF

“ *Marvin Vangorden and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Alonzo D. Kahn.*

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**Marvin Vangorden and family** - October 12, 2024 at 08:41 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Alonzo D. Kahn.*



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October 11, 2024 at 08:22 PM

CL

“ I first met Lonnie when I was a young trainwrecker up here in Ontario Canada.  
He used to come up here and stand in as our division manager, he taught me so much.  
Was an absolute wealth of knowledge and a pleasure and honour to have shared a train wreck with. An absolute legend of a human being. Genuine one of a kind trainwrecking cowboy. I will remember you brother to the end of my days. I used to joke with him that he was a terminator built by Hulcher to be the ultimate, unstoppable train wrecker .  
Rest in peace brother your legacy will live forever.  
Cliff from Canada

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**Cliff Lefort** - October 11, 2024 at 06:53 PM

MV

“ I met Lonnie when I was a new employee doing training for Hulcher in Toledo. He pulled me aside, talked to me, made me feel welcome. He me gave his phone number and told me if I ever needed anything I could call him. I still remember that to this day. Rest in Peace to my friend Lonnie the Legend. Love ya man- Mario Vitkauskas



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**Mario Vitkauskas** - October 10, 2024 at 05:27 PM

ED

“ Everyone here at Hulcher Dispatch purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Alonzo D. Kahn.



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**Everyone here at Hulcher Dispatch** - October 10, 2024 at 01:55 PM

FF

“ *Frank Given & Hulcher Services Family purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Alonzo D. Kahn.*



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**Frank Given & Hulcher Services Family** - October 10, 2024 at 01:40 PM

CR

“ *Cranemaster’s planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Alonzo D. Kahn.*

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**Cranemaster’s** - October 10, 2024 at 12:28 PM

CR

“ *Cranemaster’s purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Alonzo D. Kahn.*



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**Cranemaster’s** - October 10, 2024 at 12:28 PM

FF

“ *From The Jeff Ball Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Alonzo D. Kahn.*



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**From The Jeff Ball Family** - October 10, 2024 at 09:34 AM

CF

“ *Conrail Detroit Mechanical Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Alonzo D. Kahn.*



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**Conrail Detroit Mechanical Family** - October 10, 2024 at 09:28 AM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Alonzo D. Kahn.*



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October 10, 2024 at 09:10 AM

WR

“ *Wheeling & Lake Erie Railway planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Alonzo D. Kahn.*

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**Wheeling & Lake Erie Railway** - October 10, 2024 at 09:10 AM

JW

“ *We didn't know Lonnie but we know Cody and are deeply saddened to hear about your loss. Praying for all of you. Don & Julie Wietrzykowski*

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**Julie Wietrzykowski** - October 10, 2024 at 08:39 AM

AU

“ Autumn planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Alonzo D. Kahn.

Autumn - October 10, 2024 at 08:34 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Alonzo D. Kahn.



October 10, 2024 at 08:34 AM

NT

“ NS - Great Lakes Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Alonzo D. Kahn.

NS - Great Lakes Team - October 10, 2024 at 07:59 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Alonzo D. Kahn.



October 10, 2024 at 07:59 AM

DC

“ D. Haldeman and Crews planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Alonzo D. Kahn.

D. Haldeman and Crews - October 09, 2024 at 11:35 PM

DC

“ *D. Haldeman and Crews purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Alonzo D. Kahn.*



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**D. Haldeman and Crews** - October 09, 2024 at 11:35 PM

MH

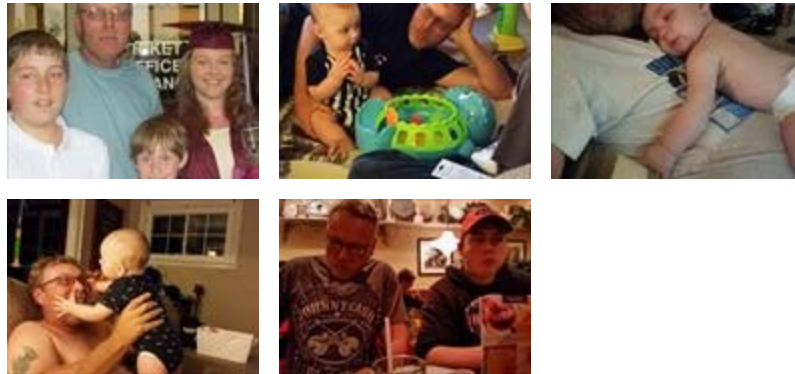
“ *I'd like to send my condolences to all of Lonnie,s children, family, and friends. Lonnie was a true friend and always a joy to be around. It was time for you to get off those Railroad tracks my friend and go rest. Lonnie was respected by all that knew him and will be greatly missed.*

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**Mike Hamilton** - October 09, 2024 at 10:54 PM

AU

“ *13 files added to the tribute wall*



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**Autumn** - October 09, 2024 at 10:54 PM

BW

“ *My sincere condolences to the Kahn family. I had the pleasure of working with Lonnie at Hulcher Services for 16 years, and though I never got to meet him in person, I got to speak with him on the phone almost daily as a dispatcher, and then as a permit administrator. He was truly a great man who will be missed by all who knew him. Bruce Whitaker - Lewisville, TX*



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**Bruce Whitaker** - October 09, 2024 at 10:10 PM

CS

“ *Heath so sorry to hear of the passing of your dad. Keeping you and your family In our thoughts and prayers.*

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**Catina Small** - October 09, 2024 at 07:13 PM