



## Austin A. Calhoun

December 1, 1994 - January 14, 2025

Austin A. Calhoun, 30 of Bluffton, passed away on Tuesday, January 14, 2025.

Austin was born on December 1, 1994, in Fort Wayne, Indiana to Timothy A. Calhoun and Susan K. (Shipley) Benitez. After attending Wayne High School, Austin enlisted in the United States Army and honorably served from 2014 to 2023.

Family was very important to Austin. He enjoyed spending time with his family and friends gaming, going on campouts and traveling. He was a Foodie and enjoyed cooking for his family or was always ready to try out a new restaurant. He had a special bond with his military family and traveled to stay connected and support each other after they successfully completed their tour together. Survivors include his mother, Susan K. Benitez of Bluffton, his father, Timothy A. (Trina) Calhoun of Huntington, along with his children; Lilyana (Lily) Calhoun, Dy`Sjian and Xyiana, along with their mother, Toya Williams, all of San Antonio, Texas. He is also survived by his siblings; Tyler (Ashlyn Mechling) Calhoun of Bluffton, Shelby (Alec Parker) Macias of Fort Wayne and Emily (Ryan Williams) Calhoun of Fort Wayne, along with his grandparents; Richard Shipley of Cromwell, IN, and Cynthia Heniser of Fort Wayne.

Austin is preceded in death by a daughter, Stormy C. Royal and grandparents, Taylor & Lois Calhoun.

Funeral Services for Austin will be held at 2:30 P.M. on Sunday, (Jan. 19,

2025) at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Burial will follow at Elm Grove Cemetery in Bluffton with Military Honors by the United States Army Honor Guard and American Legion Post #111 Honor Guard of Bluffton. Visitation will be held from 12:30 P.M. to 2:30 P.M. on Sunday, (Jan. 19, 2025) at the funeral home, prior to the service.

Memorials may be made in Austin's memory for a college fund for his daughter, Lilyana, with checks payable to Toya Williams.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the 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

## Elm Grove Cemetery

3500 East State Road 124  
Bluffton, IN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 19. 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

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

## Funeral Service

JAN 19. 2:30 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Austin A. Calhoun*

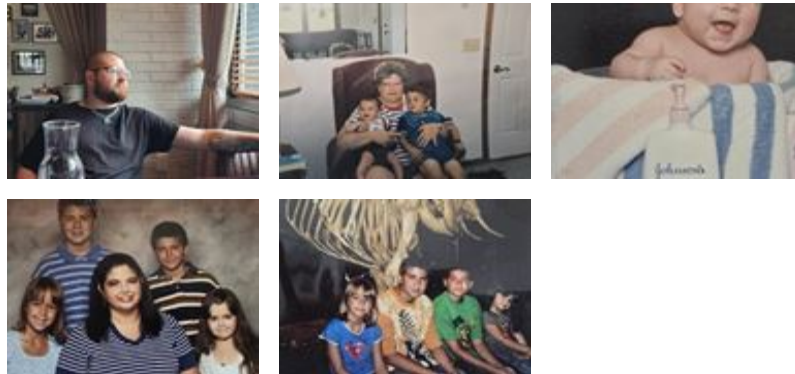


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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - January 19, 2025 at 11:58 AM



“ *125 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - January 18, 2025 at 03:54 PM

RM

*Beautiful photos of memories. So very sorry for the loss of part of your heart. May you all have the blessings of each other to carry you through this sorrowful time. Much love.. Jack, Roxanne McMahan and family..❤️🙏*

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**Roxanne McMahan** - January 18, 2025 at 06:30 PM

SH

*Austin worked for me at YaYa's in Bluffton and I have thought of him often. Nice young man and I'm so sorry to hear that he has passed. My heart goes out to his loved ones; he was a super guy. Thank you for serving our country Austin. RIP*

Sheila S Herdman - January 22, 2025 at 12:31 PM

SB

“ *Missing you beyond words* 💔




Susan Benitez - January 17, 2025 at 11:33 AM

SM

“ *shelby macias lit a candle in memory of Austin Calhoun*



shelby macias - January 17, 2025 at 11:31 AM

  
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Vonnetta Zalac - January 16, 2025 at 04:44 PM