



## David Wesley Brown

October 24, 1947 - March 30, 2024

David Wesley Brown, 76 of Bluffton, passed away on Saturday morning, March 30, 2024, at Kingston Care Center in Fort Wayne.

David was born on October 24, 1947, in Fort Wayne, Indiana to Roy and Phyllis (Fry) Brown. David attended Petroleum High School and furthered his education at Indiana University. He was a professor of Education. He honorably served his country in the Air Force for 8 years.

On November 30, 2003, in Canada, David and Tomjari "Jari" Tanner-Starks were married. Jari passed away in January 2019.

Survivors include his children Travis (Melissa) Brown of Ossian and Kimberly (Nickolas) Rumschlag of Decatur, along with seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his siblings; Judi Sturgis of Fort Wayne and Cheri (Phil) Habegger of Bluffton.

He is preceded in death by his parents, his spouse, Jari and a son Christopher Brown.

A Celebration of Life Gathering will take place from 3 P.M. to 6 P.M. on Saturday, (April 6, 2024) at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Memorials may be made to Honor Flight of Northeast Indiana and can be directed to the funeral home.

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).



# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life Gathering

APR 6. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of David Wesley Brown*



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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - April 07, 2024 at 12:37 PM



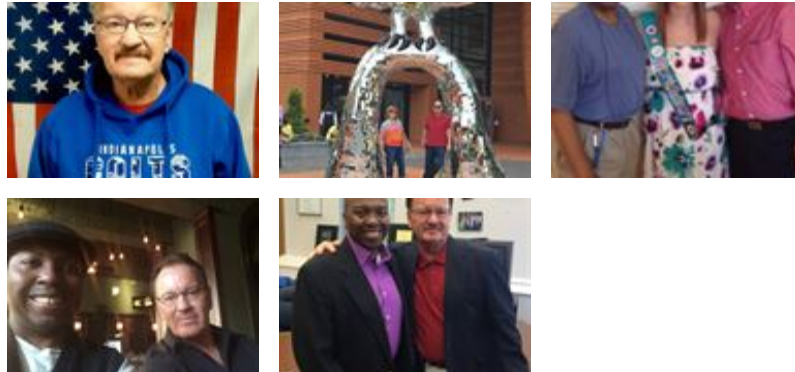
“ *Constance D. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David Wesley Brown.*

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**Constance D.** - April 09, 2024 at 09:17 PM



“ *133 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - April 05, 2024 at 04:16 PM

BR

“ Bill, Carol, Linda and Rick purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of David Wesley Brown.



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**Bill, Carol, Linda and Rick** - April 05, 2024 at 02:27 PM

AM

“ Ariel and Michael planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David Wesley Brown.

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**Ariel and Michael** - April 05, 2024 at 02:25 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of David Wesley Brown.



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April 05, 2024 at 02:25 PM

TF

“ The Tanner and Starks families purchased the *Divine Peace Bouquet* for the family of David Wesley Brown.



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**The Tanner and Starks families** - April 04, 2024 at 02:23 PM

JL

“ Judi, Amy, Cameron and Lily planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David Wesley Brown.

Judi, Amy, Cameron and Lily - April 04, 2024 at 12:34 PM

JL

“ Judi, Amy, Cameron and Lily purchased the Lave  
nder Reflections Spray for the family of David  
Wesley Brown.



Judi, Amy, Cameron and Lily - April 04, 2024 at 12:34 PM

LR

“ Our deepest sympathy for Travis and Kim. We are sending our love  
and hugs.  
Uncle Steve and Auntie Linda

Linda Renner - April 04, 2024 at 09:55 AM

LR

“ Linda R. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David Wesley  
Brown.

Linda R. - April 04, 2024 at 09:44 AM

SS

“ We were so very sorry to hear of Dave’s passing. He was a great friend in high school and always fun to be around. He was even a groomsman at our wedding in 1968 but we sadly lost touch over the years. Our deepest sympathies to his loved ones. He was a special guy.

Gary & Suzie Studebaker  
Palm Harbor, FL

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**Suzie Studebaker** - April 03, 2024 at 10:27 PM

WR

“ Wright family Jan ,Karen ,Steve, Ryan planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David Wesley Brown.

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**Wright family Jan ,Karen ,Steve, Ryan** - April 03, 2024 at 07:00 PM

WR

“ Wright family Jan ,Karen ,Steve, Ryan purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of David Wesley Brown.



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**Wright family Jan ,Karen ,Steve, Ryan** - April 03, 2024 at 07:00 PM

AC

“ Allen County Community Corrections purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of David Wesley Brown.



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**Allen County Community Corrections** - April 01, 2024 at 10:33 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of David Wesley Brown.*



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March 31, 2024 at 07:01 PM



“ *Aunt Diahn, Zach & Mallory planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David Wesley Brown.*

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**Aunt Diahn, Zach & Mallory** - March 31, 2024 at 07:01 PM



“ *Oh, the memories of our childhood I have! Living a block apart there were many! Stayed out until dark playing kick the can, red light-green light, riding bikes.....the list goes on!! My condolences to all of you. Cherish the wonderful memories you have !  
Barbara (Bobbie) Overdeer. Columbia City*

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**barbara Overdeer** - March 31, 2024 at 03:11 PM



*Thank you for sharing Barbara ❤️*

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**Kimberly Rumschlag** - April 02, 2024 at 03:27 PM