



## Mr. Glenn "Butch" Aschliman

August 25, 1933 - October 23, 2013

Glenn D. "Butch" Aschliman, 80, of Bluffton, passed away at 5:00 p.m., October 23, 2013 at his home after a courageous battle with cancer.

Butch was born in Wells County on August 25, 1933 to Noah and Naomi (Gillum) Aschliman. He married Shirley (Hare) on September 8, 1957 in Bluffton. Shirley preceded him in death on January 20, 1997.

Butch attended Lancaster High School and was a life-long resident of Wells County. He was a truck driver at Renner's Truck Line for 24 years retiring from there in 1985. He was employed at Old First National Bank from 1985 to 1995 and with the Bluffton Parks Department in the years after 1995.

Butch was a U.S. Army Veteran having served our country during the Korean War. He was a member of American Legion Post #111 and the First Baptist Church.

Butch is survived by, three daughters, Tammy (James) Wright of Coldwater, Michigan, Terri (Chris) Ulmer of Goshen, Indiana, Lisa (Timothy) McCormick of Bluffton, a companion, Karen Smarsh of Fort Wayne, two sisters, Dorothy Moser of Bluffton, Sara Jane Meyer of Bluffton, eight grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren. In addition to his wife and parents, Butch was preceded in death by three sisters and three brothers, Evelyn Ely, Dolores King, Mahilda

Dubach, Kenneth Aschliman, Harold Aschliman, and Robert Aschliman.

Calling hours will be from 1:00 to 8:00 p.m. Sunday, October 27, 2013 at Thoma/Rich, Chaney & Lemler Funeral Home and one hour prior to service Monday at the church. A service celebrating Butch's life will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday, October 28, 2013 at the First Baptist Church with Pastor Les Cantrell officiating. Burial will be in Elm Grove Cemetery with military honors conducted by American Legion Post #111 and the U.S. Army Honor Guard. Preferred memorials are to the First Baptist Church, Visiting Nurse and Hospice, and the Steve Kelly Cancer Relief Foundation. Online condolences may be made at [www.thomarich.com](http://www.thomarich.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Elm Grove Cemetery

3500 East State Road 124  
Bluffton, IN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 28. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church  
202 W. Cherry St.  
Bluffton, IN

## Service

OCT 28. 10:30 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Glenn "Butch" Aschliman*



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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - October 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mr. Glenn "Butch" Aschliman*

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September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *Tammy, Terry, and Lisa,*

*I am so sad to hear of your Dad's passing. I have such fond memories of being at your house on Wiley surrounded by laughter and love. Your mom and dad were two of the most generous and kind people I have ever known. Please know that I am thinking of you all.....and smiling at the thought of your mom and dad together again in heaven.*

*Sincerely, Diane (Fetters) McArdle*

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**diane mcardle** - October 30, 2013 at 09:07 PM

GB

“ *Tammy, Terry and Lisa*

*I was out of town and unable to make it to the funeral home. He was one of a kind and always fun to be around. My favorite memory is of one of those camping trips to Turkey Run in the late 70's. Your mom and dad led the way on a hiking trail that included ladders and took turns lifting Buffy your pet poodle up and down every step and ladder. He was one of those guys that I never thought of as "old".*

*Gary Bynum*

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**Gary Bynum** - October 30, 2013 at 06:24 PM

NA

“ *Uncle Butch: Pure kindness with a positive spirit and sense of adventure coupled with 5 dashes of ornery and a dash of rebel.*

*The only things he didn't like were milk and arrogance. That's it. He lived live fully without complaint—even when he was dying of cancer.*

*He was truly one-of-a-kind. I treasure his influence on my life, and I'll miss him always.*

*Nephew Nick*



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**Nick Aschliman** - October 29, 2013 at 01:40 PM

BH

“ Our world has lost a beautiful smile & twinkling eyes of mischief or happiness, depending on the moment.



Becky Hanauer - October 29, 2013 at 12:02 PM

SS

“ I am so sorry to hear of Butch's passing. My dad, Ralph Smith, worked with Butch at Renner's Express and they had been friends many years. Your dad was such a kind and happy man, and it is an honor to have known him. They don't make many like your dad. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.

Sherri Smiley - October 28, 2013 at 06:41 PM

LK

“ I am so sorry for the family's loss. I didn't know Butch that well but what I did know and see was that he was a very nice and always smiling man. I am Karen's neighbor and would get to see him when he was there helping her with things outside. They also invited me to share in their moon flowers, watching them open up as dusk came.. What a memory.. for me..

Lisa Kolbasky - October 28, 2013 at 10:23 AM

SS

“ So sorry to hear of your dad's passing. We will be praying for your family.  
Sarah Langel Stutzman

Sarah Stutzman - October 27, 2013 at 02:58 PM

RP

“ When we moved back to Bluffton, we were so lucky to live just around the corner from Uncle Butch and Shirley. Uncle Butch was often at our house...either to help us with a task, take part in a fish fry, or even unknowingly walk right into a practical joke. He was a kind hearted man whose laugh and smile were paled only by his generous hugs. He will be missed tremendously by all who had the fortune of knowing and loving him. Our prayers are with the family and loved ones.

Love,  
Raegan Potter

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**Raegan Potter** - October 27, 2013 at 02:10 PM

CT

“ Dear Tammy, Terry, and Lisa; Was sad to that your dear Dad had passed. I use to babysit with you when you lived in Uniondale. A long time ago. :) Your Mom and Dad were such special people. The world was a better place because of them. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your families.

Sincerely,  
Claudia (Legge) Thompson

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**Claudia Thompson** - October 26, 2013 at 08:15 PM

SB

“ Steve Naty & Matthew Bradtmiller lit a candle in memory of Mr. Glenn "Butch" Aschliman



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**Steve Naty & Matthew Bradtmiller** - October 26, 2013 at 05:16 PM

BW

“ Growing up in the First Baptist Church family, Butch was one of my favorite people. He always had a hug and a smile on his face. So sorry for your loss. Prayers of comfort being sent your way.  
*Beth Langel Waterman*

Beth Langel Waterman - October 26, 2013 at 03:25 PM

Darlene Edleman

“ Thoughts and prayers to Lisa and family. Sending hugs to each one of you during this time.

Darlene Edleman - October 26, 2013 at 12:19 PM

RS

“ Raina Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. Glenn "Butch" Aschliman



Raina Smith - October 26, 2013 at 05:11 AM

RS

*A wink and a smile, kiss on the cheek, then a hug just for me, and pinch of my cheeks...  
"Sis" they would call me, while they let me sit down, on the stool in the garage surrounded by them. They would talk and laugh, and tell stories too...  
The memories of these Aschliman Men are embedded in me, the little blonde girl who loved all of them.*

Raina Smith - October 26, 2013 at 05:38 AM

JL

“ If there were a description of Butch in the dictionary, it would say: "A man who never knew a stranger, always lending a helping hand. Started his day whistling with a song in his heart. Never failed to share a story, followed by rounds of laughter. A devoted husband, father, brother, uncle, best friend, loving companion--a light in a dark room." Oh, how we will miss Butch as he was dearly loved. Our loss is heaven's gain. God bless you. Jay and Mony

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**Jay and Monica Lora** - October 25, 2013 at 09:08 PM

 Julie Swisher

“ Our thoughts and prayers go to the family, especially Terri. Your dad was a wonderful man and will be missed.

*Doug and Julie Swisher and family*

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**Julie Swisher** - October 25, 2013 at 03:58 PM

TB

“ My father and Butch were best friends, and when my dad died Butch became my second dad. He even walked me down the aisle when I was married. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

*Trudy Arnold Behmlander*

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**Trudy Behmlander** - October 25, 2013 at 11:25 AM

RS

“ To the family and friends - I knew Butch from our days at Renner's Express, what a kind and fun guy to be around....I always had a great deal of respect for Butch, I know he will be deeply missed by all. God bless.

*Rick Spice*

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**Rick Spice** - October 25, 2013 at 06:54 AM

CL

“ *Uncle Butch was an all-around awesome guy. He was my great uncle, so I only got to meet him a handful of times, but I feel blessed to have known him. The last time I saw him was when he attended my wedding last year. Not only did his positive presence light up every room he entered, but his voice and personality reminded me so much of his brother and my grandfather, Ken Aschliman, that it was as if he was there with us, too. It made for an unbelievably special experience. As sad as it is that Uncle Butch has now passed, it's comforting to know that he and Grandpa, and their other brothers and sisters, are now reunited in Heaven.*



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**Clay** - October 24, 2013 at 08:15 PM

BA

“ *My family's prayers are with you and the family as we mourn the loss of Uncle Butch. What a great guy with a keen sense of humor and a terrific laugh. I remember him always being one of the first to arrive and one of the last to leave my granpa's sausage fries.*

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**Brett & Michelle Aschliman** - October 24, 2013 at 12:27 PM