



## Gregory "Greg" K. Waters

October 31, 1953 - November 16, 2021

Gregory "Greg" K. Waters, 68 of Bluffton, passed away on Tuesday evening, November 16, 2021, at Dupont Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Greg was born on October 31, 1953 in Bluffton, Indiana to Harold W. & Martha W. (Allen) Waters. He graduated from Norwell High School with the class of 1972 and went on to obtain his B.A. Degree in History from IPFW. Greg was a huge Buckeye fan and graduated with his law degree from "THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY". After graduation, he practiced law for 39 years in Bluffton at Gregory K. Waters Law Office.

Greg was an active member and board member of the Wells County Historical Society, where he served as treasurer for many years. He was a member of the Bluffton #145 F. & A. Masonic Lodge and was a proud Eagle Scout and attended Hope Missionary Church in Bluffton.

On November 17, 1984, Greg married Jane Teresa (Smekens) Waters. They shared 35 years of marriage together before she preceded him in death on October 21, 2019. After 2 years apart, Greg and Jane celebrated their anniversary this year in heaven!

Survivors include a daughter Sara L. (Ryan) Miskin of Elgin, S.C. and two grandsons, William & Alexander Miskin, who lovingly referred to grandpa as Buddy, along with many cousins, nieces, nephews and extended family.

He is preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Wayne Waters

Funeral services for Greg will be held at 2:00 P.M. Sunday (November 21, 2021) at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton with Pastor Chris

Kuntz officiating. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery in Bluffton.

Calling Hours will take place from 3 to 8 on Saturday (November 20, 2021) at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home and for one hour prior to the service on Sunday.

Memorials may be made in Greg's memory to Honor Flight of Northeast Indiana.

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

## Fairview Cemetery

3101 East Division Road  
Bluffton, IN 46714  
(260) 824-2832  
<http://www.themonumentcenter.com/about/cemeteries/>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 20. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Visitation

NOV 21. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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

## Funeral Service

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NOV **21**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Gregory "Greg" K. Waters*



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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - November 20, 2021 at 05:26 PM



“ *Gregory "Greg" K. Waters*

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September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *I just now heard the sad news of his passing -- difficult for me to believe. We were neighbors, grew up together, and went to the same school. As an attorney, he was so kind and generous. I'm still processing all of this. He will be missed. -- Wendell Brane*

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**Wendell Brane** - January 25, 2022 at 04:02 PM

CW

“ Over the 10 years I have worked at the courthouse there are too many stories of his humor and kindnesses to me and my family to even begin to share. Helen Keller once said "The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched. They must be felt with the heart." My greatest memories are of his loyalty and loving heart to care for others above himself which shined like a beacon throughout the years of knowing him as a person and as a colleague. He will be missed but his memory and impact on those he loved and those that loved him will remain so we can continue to share what he so gratefully shared with us...his love. We mourn his loss, but most importantly celebrate his life well lived. We are sure at the gates of Heaven where there is no pain and victory over death he will be united with his loving wife and loved ones that have past, I know God is greeting him... "Well done, my good and faithful servant! Welcome home.

Christina Williams - November 20, 2021 at 02:52 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gregory "Greg" K. Waters.



November 20, 2021 at 02:18 PM

BT

“ Sara, my heart is with you today. Your mom and dad got to celebrate their anniversary together. I will keep you in my prayers. Hug those little boys and share your memories with them. Your parents will be forever with you. Brenda Tuttle RN from Dupont.



Brenda Tuttle - November 20, 2021 at 01:47 PM

SM

*Thank you so so much for helping me during the most difficult night of my life. The cheese toastie was comforting to me. I appreciate you taking the time out of your shift to help me and love on my dad. He would've appreciated the shave!*

Sara Miskin - December 16, 2021 at 08:50 AM

TB

“ *Our condolences to Sara and her family. Our community will miss your father's thoughtfulness, loyalty and professionalism. May peace be with you in times ahead.*

Tom and Maureen Butler - November 20, 2021 at 01:05 PM

JB

“ *John B. purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Gregory "Greg" K. Waters.*



John B. - November 20, 2021 at 11:44 AM

JB

“ *Greg was a lifelong friend. We were in classmates in high school and band - and spent a lot of time and adventures together back then. Greg was 3 days older than me, and I recall sharing the stress of getting draft lottery numbers at the same time - he was unlucky, I was lucky, but fortunately the draft ended. In recent years when I have occasionally visited Bluffton, we got in the habit of a coffee shop visit with long chats about everything and anything but always leading to the most uplifting thing for him - stories of games, discoveries, and fun with grandchildren. I will miss those talks, his sense of humor - just a nice guy who made the world a better place.*  
*John Butler/Minneapolis*

John Butler - November 20, 2021 at 11:31 AM

CL

“Gone to soon a quiet soul. Greg was that soft spoken guy. Not known but I'm his second cousin, so I was part of his dad's side of the family. Prayers for you family in your time of loss.  
Carol Lochtefeld

Carol Lochtefeld - November 19, 2021 at 07:11 PM

JE

“Sara, I had the utmost respect for your father. He was a great man, honest, respectful, professional, kind and generous and loved his family. I will miss our chats in his office, talking Ohio State football and solving the problems of the world. He and I had many laughs. I will miss him!  
John Emshwiller

john emshwiller - November 19, 2021 at 05:50 PM

BG

“We are so sorry, Sara. We appreciated and admired your mom and dad while raising our family in Bluffton. Understandably so, they were so very proud of you. Jodi has fond memories of working for your dad soon after she graduated from high school. Praying for you and your family. Brett and Jodi Garrett

Brett Garrett - November 19, 2021 at 02:36 PM



“Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gregory "Greg" K. Waters.



November 19, 2021 at 09:28 AM

HF

“ For more than 35 years I depended on Greg for advice, both legal and personal. He was one of the most honorable and generous people I have ever known. Please accept my condolences.

Henerietta Fraysier - November 19, 2021 at 12:05 AM

PD

“ We lost a great friend with Greg's passing. We have missed Jane and will miss visits with Greg now too. We will just have to wait awhile to be with our dear friends again in heaven. Love and prayers for you Sara and your precious boys!  
Phil and Marcia Douglass

Phil and Marcia Douglass - November 18, 2021 at 07:51 PM

JD

“ Sara, send sympathy and prayers to you and your family.

Janet DeWitt - November 18, 2021 at 06:36 PM



“ 47 files added to the album LifeTributes



Thoma/Rich,Lemler Funeral Home - November 18, 2021 at 05:25 PM



Denise Geisel

*Sending our deepest sympathies to Greg's family & dear friends. He was a pleasure to know & do business with. Know we're praying for you in the weeks ahead. Sincerely , Jeff & Denise Geisel*

**Denise Geisel** - November 18, 2021 at 08:56 PM

JS

“ *Sending sympathy and prayers to Sara and family. So sorry for your loss.*

*Judith Sullivan*

*Cousin of Jane Smekens Waters*

**Judith Sullivan** - November 18, 2021 at 04:45 PM

DB

“ *I remember Greg when he lived down the road from my family. He was a cute little guy riding on the school bus when I was in high school. Then we worshiped together at Bethel Church, then Hope Missionary. Then we relied on him for legal matters. He was honest and reliable and had great integrity. We will miss him. Praying for God to comfort you, Sara, and your family.*

**Doug and Janet Belcher** - November 18, 2021 at 03:36 PM

LF

“ *You have our deepest sympathy. Greg was a great guy and will be missed.*

*Fred and Linda Fornwalt*

**Linda Fornwalt** - November 18, 2021 at 11:09 AM

CU

“ *Such a great person always came to my aid no matter what. He will be truly missed in Bluffton Holding your family in our prayers*

*Curtis and Ruth Allen*



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**curtruthallen@gmail.com** - November 18, 2021 at 02:28 AM

JH

“ *I will really miss Greg. When I would go see Greg at his office, we would get off on so many rabbit trails ,I would almost forget what I when to him for. I will cherish and never forget out talks.*

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**Jody Holloway** - November 17, 2021 at 08:18 PM

BJ

“ *Have good memories of Greg in the "Brass Impact" stage band at Norwell. We had some great times! Greg was also our "go to" lawyer for my husband and I's legal needs with our businesses and never let us down. Also had the pleasure of worshiping with he and Janie at Hope Missionary Church. "Till we meet again."*

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**Ben and Mickey Jones** - November 17, 2021 at 07:39 PM

DR

*Greg will be deeply missed in the city of Bluffton and also in my heart. When you needed Greg he was always there no question about what time it was or where he needed to be he was always there for everyone that I know. But every time we would go in the office it seems like we spent 15 minutes on legal and probably an hour and 15 minutes on everything else he was a wonderful man with a loving heart he will be missed greatly!*

*Tim and Debbie Rockwell*

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**Debbie Rockwell** - November 18, 2021 at 01:38 PM

MS

“ Sara and Family,  
This is very sad news and we want to express our sympathy to you and your family. We had a lot of good times with your parents when we lived in Bluffton.  
Sincerely,  
Mark and Diane Smith

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**Mark & Diane Smith** - November 17, 2021 at 06:23 PM

AN

“ Greg was an upstanding member of the community and a genuine person who was knowledgeable and kind. His wit and sense of humor made him a great person to be around. He will be missed and leaves a hole in the community and in our hearts. <3 His family is our thoughts and prayers.

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**Angie** - November 17, 2021 at 04:29 PM

DG

“ Greg Waters family will be in our prayers. He was a very friendly man and always helpful. Greg will be truly missed in our community.  
Dan and Darlene Gedom



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**Dan Gedom** - November 17, 2021 at 03:45 PM