



Ernest Salyer

May 22, 2025

Ernest E. Salyer, a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and friend, passed away peacefully on Thursday, May 22, 2025, at Northwest Health, Porter Hospital, after a courageous battle with cancer. He was 63 years old.

Born on June 18, 1961, in Valparaiso, Indiana, Ernie was the beloved son of the late Earl D. and Ruth (Jolley) Salyer. A lifelong resident of the North Judson area, Ernie was a proud and hardworking man who spent the majority of his career at Greenmark (formerly Gilsinger's) Equipment, retiring as store manager after years of dedicated service.

On June 4, 1983, in Hamlet, Indiana, Ernie married the love of his life, Donna Meyers. Together they built a life full of love, laughter, and unwavering support for one another. Ernie was known by all as a kind, caring soul who never met a stranger. His warm personality and quiet strength touched everyone he met. Ernie had a deep love for the simple joys of life. He took great pride in his lawn, carefully crafting straight mowing lines that reflected his meticulous nature. He had a passion for cars and took special enjoyment in detailing them to perfection. Gardening brought him peace, and he found happiness in nurturing the beauty around him. But above all, Ernie cherished his time with family. He delighted in every moment spent with his grandchildren, especially enjoying golf cart rides that became treasured memories.

He is survived by his loving wife of nearly 42 years, Donna; their three daughters Amber (Brian) Berg, Ashley (Kyle) Terry, and Alicia (Nicholas) Grezenko; and six adored grandchildren: Carley and Cayleb Berg, Kylee and

Kynlee Terry, and Everleigh and Huxley Grezenko. He also leaves behind his brother-in-law David (Katherine) Meyers, sister-in-law Carolyn Salyer, nephews Dawson Meyers and Stephen Chavez, and many extended family members and friends who will miss him dearly.

Ernie was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Earl Dean Salyer. Visitation will be held from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. CDT on Thursday, May 29, 2025, at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. A funeral service to celebrate Ernie's life will take place at 11:00 a.m. CDT on Friday, May 30, 2025, at the funeral home, with an additional hour of visitation prior to the service. Burial will follow at Hanna Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Hanna Cemetery

Hanna, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 29. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Rannells Funeral Home - Hamlet Chapel
102 W. Davis Street
Hamlet, IN 46532
(574) 867-3321
rannellsfh@mchsi.com
<https://www.rannellsfuneralhome.com>

Visitation

MAY 30. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Funeral Service

MAY 30. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Burial

MAY 30.

Hanna Cemetery
Hanna, IN

Tribute Wall

TZ

“ Tom, Donna, Chad and Kayla Zimmerman planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ernest Salyer.

Tom, Donna, Chad and Kayla Zimmerman - May 29, 2025 at 05:28 PM

TZ

“ Tom, Donna, Chad and Kayla Zimmerman purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ernest Salyer.



Tom, Donna, Chad and Kayla Zimmerman - May 29, 2025 at 05:28 PM

MF

“ Maddie, Emma, Angie and Allender family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ernest Salyer.



Maddie, Emma, Angie and Allender family - May 29, 2025 at 03:24 PM

JB

“ Jared, Jamie, Barrett, & Brinlee Brown purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Ernest Salyer.



Jared, Jamie, Barrett, & Brinlee Brown - May 29, 2025 at 09:23 AM

CN

“ Clay Newlin purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Ernest Salyer.



Clay Newlin - May 28, 2025 at 09:21 PM

GC

“ Greg & Charity Cellarius purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ernest Salyer.



Greg & Charity Cellarius - May 28, 2025 at 03:55 PM

FD

“ From Clara Warnke & Son, David purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Ernest Salyer.



From Clara Warnke & Son, David - May 28, 2025 at 01:56 PM

MC

“ Mark and Debbie Chapman purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Ernest Salyer.



Mark and Debbie Chapman - May 28, 2025 at 10:00 AM

MC

“ Mark and Debbie Chapman planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ernest Salyer.

Mark and Debbie Chapman - May 28, 2025 at 10:00 AM

DT

“ Dave and Sandy Terry purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ernest Salyer.



Dave and Sandy Terry - May 28, 2025 at 09:24 AM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ernest Salyer.



May 27, 2025 at 11:59 AM



“ Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ernest Salyer.



May 27, 2025 at 11:10 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ernest Salyer.

May 25, 2025 at 10:32 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Ernest Salyer.*



May 25, 2025 at 10:32 PM



“ *Jeff, Jill and Sara purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Ernest Salyer.*



Jeff, Jill and Sara - May 25, 2025 at 05:31 PM



“ *Sending warm thoughts and prayers to Donna and the entire Salyer family! He will be missed by many! 💜*
Jan Martin Bill

Jan Martin Bill - May 25, 2025 at 04:22 PM



Sending prayers for peace to Donna and the rest of the family. So sorry for your loss. He will be very much missed. ❤️❤️

Cheryl Martin- Buchanan

Cheryl Martin-Buchanan-cousin - May 25, 2025 at 05:21 PM