



Paul Adrian O'Connor

June 8, 1963 - November 25, 2023

Paul Adrian O'Connor, age 60, of Indianapolis, IN, formerly of Bradley, passed away Saturday, November 25, 2023 in Carmel, IN. He was born June 8, 1963 in Sacramento, CA, the son of Melvin "Barney" & Marcelle "Marcy" (St. Louis) O'Connor.

Paul worked at Caterpillar in Joliet and later at Detroit Diesel in Indianapolis, IN. He was an accomplished trombonist and played with the Swing Kings and various other bands. He loved big band music. Paul enjoyed spending countless hours building model ships.

He was a proud veteran of the United States Navy having served 10 years active duty followed by 10 years in the Navy Reserves.

Surviving are his aunt, Patricia Hertz of Chebanse; dear friends, the Richard and Lois Eilt Family of AZ; and numerous cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation will be held from 9-10:30 a.m. on Saturday, December 9, 2023 at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. on Saturday, December 9, 2023 at Sts. Mary & Joseph Catholic Church in Chebanse. Rev. Doug Hauber will celebrate the Mass. Interment will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, December 11, 2023 at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Elwood.

Memorials may be made for masses or Catholic Charities.

Cemetery Details

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 Hoff Road
Elwood, IL 60421

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 9. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Kankakee - Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home
1480 W. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Funeral Mass

DEC 9. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary & Joseph Catholic Church
525 S. Chestnut
Chebanse, IL 60922
(815) 697-2654

Tribute Wall

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“ Paul loved his Catholic faith, and was a great supporter of those who do the same. It was a pleasure to know him. He will be missed. Eternal rest grant upon him, Lord, and let Your perpetual light shine upon him.

Liza Rafe - April 19, 2024 at 05:31 PM

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“ I went to BBCHS with Paul. He was such a sweet, polite and thoughtful young man. He loved his music. Rest in His arms now Paul. 🕊️🙏

Penny Stoewsand - December 18, 2023 at 10:14 PM

JH

“ Went to BBCHS with Paul. We became friends. I enjoyed talking with him. I remember he really enjoyed music and we would talk about our music interests. God's peace buddy.

Jon Hinkleman - December 16, 2023 at 12:46 PM

JH

“ I worked with Paul at Detroit diesel as well as Cummins, you were a dear friend and coworker and most important a fellow veteran, I will miss our conversations of our time in the military as well as our stories about war movies that we seen, rest in peace my friend. Jorge Hutchings

Jorge Hutchings - December 04, 2023 at 11:43 PM