



Ralph Earl Snyder

July 17, 1948 - November 9, 2022

Ralph E. Snyder, 74, of Rensselaer, IN, passed away on November 9, 2022, at his residence surrounded by his loving family. Ralph was born in Michigan City, IN on July 17, 1948, the son of James E. and Helen M. (Davison) Snyder.

Ralph graduated from Chesterton High School with the Class of 1966 and then attended Valparaiso Technical Institute for three years. On July 4, 1970, he married Mary Margaret Waymire and she survives. He worked as an Automotive Machinist at NAPA Auto Parts in Rensselaer for twenty-five years. Prior to that, Ralph operated the Fixed Base Operator at the Jasper County Airport for five years. Ralph was also an honorably discharged veteran of the United States Navy. He attended St. Augustine Catholic Church of Rensselaer. He was a past Eagle Scout, past licensed gun dealer and gunsmith, a private pilot, and enjoyed deer hunting. Ralph was also a car enthusiast who loved rebuilding and fixing cars. He was a craftsman who enjoyed working with his hands, from cutting and splitting wood, to working with electronics, and other fine motor skills.

Ralph is survived by his wife, Mary; children, Jennifer (Jared) Jacobson of Decatur, IN, David (Amanda) Snyder of Ellettsville, IN; grandchildren, Harrison Jacobson, Isabelle Jacobson, Andrew Snyder, Zachary Snyder; brother, Kevin Snyder of Demotte, IN.

Ralph was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters.

Friends may call on the family on Sunday, November 13, 2022, from 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM CT at Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer. A funeral service will be held on Monday, November 14, 2022, at 10:30 AM CT at Jackson Funeral Chapel with Reverend Elizabeth Hartmann officiating. Interment to follow at Memory Gardens, Rensselaer, with full military rites.

Memorial contributions may be made to the St. Augustine Catholic Church or School and/or Boy Scouts of America.

Cemetery Details

Memory Gardens of Rensselaer

Memory Gardens
Rensselaer, IN 47978
(219) 866-5125
info@jacksonfuneral.com

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **13**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer
250 N. McKinley Avenue
P.O. Box 70
Rensselaer, IN 47978
(219) 866-5123
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Funeral Service

NOV **14**. 10:30 AM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer
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Tribute Wall

RC

“ *Ralph very cool person. I went to high school with him. I remember our senior year at CHS we were in shop class doing work on his dad's Harley when we were done we took the bike out to the hallway. Then we though to start it up and drive it out the hallway door. I held the door open and Ralph drove it out. There were no repercussions from the school staff. This was one of the stunts we pulled off in high school and at Valpo Tech. Ralph was the best guy anyone could have he had your BACK!!! I was not aware of his passing until today 11/27/2025. We lost track of each other over the years but he will always be in my heart. Mary he was the best! ALL THE BEST COOP!* ”

Robert Cooper - November 27, 2025 at 01:31 PM

LK

“ *Larry And Judy Koebcke lit a candle in memory of Ralph Earl Snyder* ”



Larry and Judy Koebcke - November 15, 2022 at 11:08 PM

RJ

“ The 1st time I met Ralph was when Rita brought me home to meet her family. I knew right from the get go I was going to like this guy, we both had a lot in common. A few of those things were like loving the outdoors, hunting, guns and attraction and weakness for redheads. During that trip I remember when he brought his M1 grand over to the Waymire home and we went out back where they had a stand of pine trees lots of them and Ralph cut down a tree with the rifle with 10 or 12 shots, we Laughed and hope that Fred would never find out. But most of all I will remember our few walks in his woods that he loved so much, there we shared many hunting stories and other things that happened in our lives the good and bad. Ralph was a kind and generous man, he loved his family very much and he always gave of himself to others. Ralph will always be in my heart as one of the good guys!

Robert Jennings - November 12, 2022 at 12:43 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ralph Earl Snyder.



November 12, 2022 at 12:01 PM

DM

“ Dave Pepper Family and Helen Moreno purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Ralph Earl Snyder.



Dave Pepper Family and Helen Moreno - November 12, 2022
at 10:40 AM

MJ

“ Mary, Mary, Mary! I'm so saddened by your loss 😭! Never did I ever see Ralph without a beautiful smile! May God hold you very tight! I love you, Mary 💕🙏

Mary Shipley Holbrook Jones - November 12, 2022 at 05:56 AM

MK

“ Missy Tiede & Kevin Klemme lit a candle in memory of Ralph Earl Snyder



Missy Tiede & Kevin Klemme - November 12, 2022 at 01:24 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ralph Earl Snyder.



November 11, 2022 at 09:34 PM

AV

“ So sorry to hear of Ralph's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Amy Valade - November 11, 2022 at 07:48 PM

GB

“ Gloria Baier lit a candle in memory of Ralph Earl Snyder



Gloria Baier - November 11, 2022 at 05:05 PM

RC

“ Roy Clites lit a candle in memory of Ralph Earl Snyder



Roy Clites - November 11, 2022 at 02:19 PM

ML

“ My sympathy to your family Mary snyder(hugs)



Marilyn Lowry - November 11, 2022 at 02:08 PM

MA

“ *Mary Alberts lit a candle in memory of Ralph Earl Snyder*



Mary Alberts - November 11, 2022 at 01:28 PM

TS

“ *Tim & Linda Shide lit a candle in memory of Ralph Earl Snyder*



Tim & Linda Shide - November 11, 2022 at 12:01 PM

JM

“ *Jerry Miller lit a candle in memory of Ralph Earl Snyder*



Jerry Miller - November 11, 2022 at 11:35 AM

CS

Prayers to Mary and family

Carol Gerline Studer - November 11, 2022 at 12:23 PM

PG

Ralph has been a life long friend and brother to me. I will miss him greatly. Mary you were the love of his life and my prayers and sympathy are with you.

Pat Bone (Mich. GF) - November 12, 2022 at 10:34 AM



Mary & family, We send our sincere sympathy to you. May your memories help soften the sadness you feel now. God bless you all.
Don & Gloria

Don& Gloria Waymouth - November 14, 2022 at 01:49 PM