



## Jack Jay Davenport

August 4, 1937 - September 18, 2019

Dateline Cuzco, Indiana

Jack Jay Davenport, age 82, of Cuzco, Indiana, passed away at 12:07 p.m. on Wednesday, September 18, 2019, in Memorial Hospital and Health Care Center in Jasper, Indiana.

Jack was born on August 4, 1937, in Garden Valley, California, to Dudley Grover and Bessie Alma (Gordon) Davenport. He married Verna M. Umensetter on April 1, 1982; she preceded him in death on July 22, 2018.

Jack was a United States Army and Navy Veteran, serving abroad during the Korean and Vietnam Wars. He was a pilot in the Navy and also was a survivalist trainer for soldiers, teaching them how to survive behind enemy lines. He received the National Defense Service Medal and the Second Good Conduct Award.

During his time in the military, Jack earned a black belt in Judo and became a bare knuckle fighter. Jack also played semi-pro football for the Northwest League.

He loved animals, the outdoors, shooting, riding motorcycles, four wheelers, and dirt bikes, singing church hymns, playing the guitar, travelling with his

wife, Verna, and spending time with family and friends. Jack also had great interest in playing and coaching sports, and especially enjoyed being a fight trainer.

Surviving are his children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, one sister, nieces and nephews, great nieces and nephews, and his beloved dog, Bo.

Preceding him in death besides his wife, are eight siblings, two of whom were a set of twins who died in infancy.

A Memorial Service for Jack Jay Davenport will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 29, 2019, at the Becher-Kluesner Downtown Chapel, with burial to follow in Cuzco Cemetery in Cuzco, Indiana. Fr. Ron Kreilein will officiate. The V.F.W. Post #673 will conduct military gravesite rights.

A Memorial Visitation will be held from 12:00 p.m. (noon) until the 2:00 p.m. service time on Sunday, September 29, 2019, at the Becher-Kluesner Downtown Chapel in Jasper, Indiana.

Memorial contributions may be made to the wishes of the family.

Online condolences may be made at [www.becherkluesner.com](http://www.becherkluesner.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Cuzco Cemetery

Cuzco, IN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 29. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Becher & Kluesner Funeral Home - Downtown  
214 East 7th Street  
Jasper, IN 47546  
(812) 482-4141  
email@becherkluesner.com

## Memorial Service

SEP 29. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Jack Jay Davenport*

January 01, 2023 at 10:54 AM



“ *Cindy Spencer sent a virtual gift in memory of Jack Jay Davenport*



**Cindy Spencer** - September 23, 2019 at 03:01 PM



*Jack you will never be forgotten you touch many of life's I'm so glad you came in to my life and talked with me many nights God put you in my life when I needed a friend the most I know you went to heaven your love for the Lord and you being a servant and teaching many people you now are walking the streets of gold with your wife so until we meet again my dear friend fly high Rest in peace Love you*

**Cindy Spencer** - September 23, 2019 at 03:16 PM



“ *Sally Ziontz lit a candle in memory of Jack Jay Davenport*



**Sally Ziontz** - September 22, 2019 at 10:31 PM

SZ

“ Rest well Uncle Jack. You travelled many roads in your long life. Youngest child of large family, raised in a log cabin your parents built, loved by all for your crazy energy and endless wit. My Dad's youngest brother you always held a special place in his heart and mind. My favorite uncle, you always had time to joke and laugh with the little kids and there were many of us. You were one of a kind, a special kind of charisma and charm that could light up a room. I know the rooms you were in will be a little bit dimmer now that your light has moved on.



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**Sally Ziontz** - September 22, 2019 at 10:30 PM

SE

“ I could always count on you to bring it around to Jesus... and now you are face to face with the King. Wahoo

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**shelly england** - September 21, 2019 at 11:21 AM

SE

“ you and verna were so very important in my walk with Jesus - thank you and see you when i get there!

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**Sandi Eby** - September 20, 2019 at 06:28 PM



“ Idaho WILL MISS YOU. Fire wood was always a great time. Be well my friend. And some day I will see you on the other side.

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**Ross Wilson** - September 20, 2019 at 04:24 PM

JM

“ *Heaven gained another angel with heart of gold and love of life that inspired many and touched my heart emotionally and spiritually ❤️ I hate to see him go but I know there is no more pain nor suffering.*  
*Jaime Morrison*

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**jaime morrison** - September 20, 2019 at 01:49 PM

JW

“ *Rest in peace Jack. Share a lot of memories.*

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**Jenny Watson** - September 20, 2019 at 09:33 AM

JS

“ *Rest in peace, Jack. It was a pleasure getting to know you this last year.*

*Jerry Schuck*

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**Jerry Schuck** - September 20, 2019 at 09:24 AM