

## Jerry "Tubby" L. Zehr

August 25, 1943 - December 14, 2015

Dateline French Lick, Indiana

Engineman Chief Petty Officer (USN Ret.) Jerry "Tubby" Zehr, age 72 of French Lick, Indiana, passed away at peace at 4:15 p.m. on Monday (December 14, 2015) at home.

Tubby was born on August 25, 1943 in Huntingburg, Indiana to George and Laurena (Friedman) Zehr. He married Dawn J. Wininger on July 15, 2007 at Lake Michigan.

Tubby is a US Navy Veteran who enlisted in the Navy following high school as a Diesel Mechanic. Chief Zehr served on the following navel vessels: USS Thomaston LSD; Stersfield DD; USS Graham AGP; USS Antelope PG; USS Ready PG; USS Douglas PG100; USS Grand Rapids PG; and the USS Canopus AS.

He served multiple combat tours in Vietnam. He retired from the Navy in 1981 after 20 years of honorable service.

Following his naval career, Chief Zehr returned home to Indiana and served for 27 years as the technical maintenance supervisor for the Springs Valley School Systems in French Lick until his retirement in 2009. During his tenure

with the Springs Valley Schools, he also ran his own trucking and auto repair business.

Surviving,

Loving Wife;

Dawn Zehr, French Lick, IN

Daughter;

Deanne Burger and husband Denny, French Lick, IN

Brother;

Danny Zehr and wife Joanna, Eckerty, IN

Sister;

Mary Jo Zehr, Hermitage, TN

Nieces and Nephews

Preceding him in death were his parents and one brother, Larry Zehr of Wagoner, OK

Funeral services for Jerry "Tubby" Zehr will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday (December 19, 2015) at the Becher-Kluesner North Funeral Home in Jasper, Indiana, with burial to follow in Emmons Ridge Cemetery in Hillham, IN. Fr. Eugene Schmitt and Pastor Paul DeHart will officiate. The French Lick American Legion Post #76 will conduct military graveside rites.

Friends may call from 2:00 p.m. until the 8:00 p.m. on Friday (December 18, 2015) at the Becher-Kluesner North Side Chapel in Jasper, IN.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Heart to Heart Hospice Foundation, 3555 Newton Street, Jasper, IN 47546.

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



# Cemetery Details

## Emmons Ridge Cemetery

Hillham, IN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 18. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Becher & Kluesner Funeral Home - North  
3221 N. Newton Street  
Jasper, IN 47546  
(812) 482-4141  
email@becherkluesner.com

## Service

DEC 19. 10:00 AM (ET)

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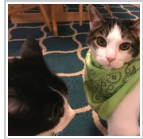
# Tribute Wall



“ Jerry "Tubby" L. Zehr

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January 01, 2023 at 10:54 AM



“ Dear Dawn,  
I am so sorry for your loss. You and Jerry made the perfect couple. He was so happy! Jerry was such a good friend of mine at school, we just loved the guy! Sending love and hugs, Lynne and Ferlin Nelson.

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**Lynne Acres** - December 19, 2015 at 07:35 AM



“ Lauren Goodman sent a virtual gift in memory of Jerry "Tubby" L. Zehr



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**Lauren Goodman** - December 18, 2015 at 10:19 AM

JK

“ Dawn, Deanna, Danny and Mary Jo I am so sorry for your loss. I will always remember Tubby when we come and visit Uncle George and Aunt Laurena on the farm. Those were fun times, I remember Mom baking cookies at Christmas and sending them to him when he was in the Navy. Those are just some of the memories I will always remember. I am so sorry I will not be able to make it to the funeral I have to work but please know all of you are in our thoughts and prayers. Cousin Jimmy and Family




Jim Kluesner - December 17, 2015 at 11:01 PM

MZ

Thanks Jimmy. This is a tough onr

matu jo zrhr - December 18, 2015 at 12:10 PM

 Mackenzie Zehr

“ This is so hard!! I miss him so much :(

Mackenzie Zehr - December 17, 2015 at 10:21 PM

KZ

“ This has been harder than I ever imagined. I already miss him so much! 😞

Kelly Zehr - December 17, 2015 at 10:02 PM

KZ

“ Kelly Zehr lit a candle in memory of Jerry "Tubby" L. Zehr



Kelly Zehr - December 17, 2015 at 09:59 PM

BL

“ *Bill Lagenour lit a candle in memory of Jerry "Tubby" L. Zehr*



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**Bill Lagenour** - December 17, 2015 at 06:09 AM

BL

*Blessed to have been able to have him as a friend. Bonny & Bill will miss you Tubby. Our prayers are with you Dawn*

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**Bill Lagenour** - December 17, 2015 at 06:11 AM

RW

“ *All my heart felt sympathy on the loss of a remarkable man. Ruthie Wessel*



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**Ruthie Wessel** - December 17, 2015 at 12:43 AM

DH

“ *Dana Huff-Eary lit a candle in memory of Jerry "Tubby" L. Zehr*



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**Dana Huff-Eary** - December 16, 2015 at 08:51 AM

CL

“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



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**Craig Lysinger** - December 16, 2015 at 07:18 AM

CH

“ *Tubby will be missed by so many in our neighborhood! You were a great friend to all. Thanks for always lending a hand when needed. It won't be the same without you, but. you will never be forgotten. Rest in peace! Our sympathy and love to all. Mike and Chris Hinkle*

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**Chris Hinkle** - December 15, 2015 at 08:40 PM

CH

“ *Chris Hinkle lit a candle in memory of Jerry "Tubby" L. Zehr*



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**Chris Hinkle** - December 15, 2015 at 08:35 PM

CL

“ 12 files added to the album *New Album Name*



**Craig Lysinger** - December 15, 2015 at 07:02 PM

KZ

*These are great pictures!!! 😍*

**Kelly Zehr** - December 15, 2015 at 09:30 PM

CP

*Dawn, we are do sorry for your loss. Thinking of you at this time. Carla Perry, New Zealand*

**carla perry** - December 15, 2015 at 10:29 PM

RW

*Great memories frozen in time>>*

**Ruthie Wessel** - December 17, 2015 at 12:45 AM