



Lucas A. Gehlhausen

May 6, 1984 - September 7, 2025

Lucas A. Gehlhausen, age 41, of Celestine, Indiana, tragically lost his life in the line of duty on the evening of September 7, 2025, while responding to an incident. Luke was responding in his personal vehicle to the report of a structure fire when he was involved in a fatal single vehicle accident.

Luke was born in Jasper, Indiana, on May 6, 1984, to Vernon L. and Karen S. (Reutman) Gehlhausen. He married Brittney Cato on May 25, 2022.

He was a 2002 graduate of Northeast Dubois High School. He attended Oakland City University and received his automotive and mechanical degree.

He was a 17-year member of the Celestine Volunteer Fire Department, Indiana Volunteer Fire Firefighters Association, Celestine Community Club, and St. Isidore Parish- Celestine Catholic Church.

Luke was a lifelong farmer. He worked in the engines division at Jasper Engines and Transmissions. His passion was serving his community as a veteran member of the Celestine Volunteer Fire Department.

Lucas lived for his family and his children. He was always willing to offer a helping hand with a smile.

He is survived by his wife, Brittney Gehlhausen, Celestine; three children: Bryce Cato, Hayden Gehlhausen, and Lenore Gehlhausen; parents: Vernon and Karen Gehlhausen; sister, Alisha Gehlhausen; father-in-law, Steve Cato; mother-in-law, Kathy Cato and significant other, Steve Hemmer; and his beloved dog, Stormy.

He is preceded in death by his brother, Jeremy Gehlhausen, paternal grandparents: Paul and Gertrude Gehlhausen, maternal grandparents: Robert J. and Irma Reutman.

A Mass of Christian Burial for Lucas A. Gehlhausen will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 13, 2025, at St. Isidore Parish- St. Celestine Catholic Church with burial to follow in the church cemetery. Full firefighter honors will be rendered at the cemetery.

A visitation will be held from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Friday, September 12, 2025, at the Becher-Kluesner Downtown Chapel in Jasper. The IVFA District #18 will lead a memorial service at 7:00 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Celestine Volunteer Fire Department.

Online condolences may be made at www.becherkluesner.com.

Cemetery Details

St. Celestine Cemetery

6864 Indiana 164
Celestine, IN 47521

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 12. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

Memorial Service

SEP 12. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Mass of Christian Burial

SEP **13**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Isidore Catholic Church - Celestine Campus
Celestine, IN

Tribute Wall

SK

“ Karen, Vernon and family,
I am so very sorry to learn of your tremendous loss. Prayers for you
all. 🙏❤️

Sara and Ron Kunkel - September 18, 2025 at 08:19 AM

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“ I worked with Luke more than 20 years ago. He was the kindest and
sweetest young man. I always thought a lot of him. My Sincere
Sympathy To His Entire Family and Fire Department Family. We
Lost A Good One!!!

Julia Schutz - September 09, 2025 at 04:00 PM

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*I have no words to even write a single, solitary word of condolence.
Only Jesus can bring comfort and strength.*

Donna Mills - September 11, 2025 at 03:20 PM