



## William "Bill" E. Leistner

November 5, 1948 - September 14, 2025

William "Bill" E. Leistner, age 76, of Dubois, Indiana, passed away peacefully at home at 1:35 a.m. on Sunday, September 14, 2025, after a brave fight with glioblastoma.

Bill was born in Huntingburg, Indiana, on November 5, 1948, to Clarence F. and Dorothy (Nordhoff) Leistner. He married Beth A. Hentrup on June 24, 1972, in St. Raphael's Catholic Church in Dubois, Indiana.

Bill was a 1966 graduate of Dubois High School. He was in the United States Army from 1968 until 1970 where he served 13 months in Vietnam.

He was employed by Jasper Engines and Transmissions where he retired after 44 years.

He was a member of St. Isidore Parish- St. Raphael's Catholic Church, their bereavement committee, lifetime member of the V.F.W. Post #673, and the Honor Guard.

Bill enjoyed the outdoors such as gardening and cutting firewood. He enjoyed time at the cabin with family. He loved spending time with the grandchildren and following them in their sporting events and horse shows.

Bill enjoyed traveling with his wife especially road trips.

Bill is survived by his wife of 53 years, Beth Leistner, Dubois; two children: Kevin (Mary) Leistner, Jasper; and Audrey (Ricardo) Bravo, Dubois, three grandchildren: Grace and Bentley Kluesner and Jackson Bravo, seven step-grandchildren, and 10 step-great grandchildren, two brothers: Donald (Yvonne) Leistner, James and (Cathy) Leistner, and two sisters: Judy Freeman and Phyllis (Steve) Fowler.

He is preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Carol Sue Leistner who died in infancy.

A Mass of Christian Burial for William "Bill" E. Leistner will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 18, 2025, at St. Raphael's Catholic Church in Dubois. A burial will follow at the church cemetery. The V.F.W. Post #673 will perform military graveside rites.

A visitation will be held from 3:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 17, at the Becher Kluesner North Chapel in Jasper.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Isidore Parish or the V.F.W. Post #673 Honor Guard.

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

# Cemetery Details

## St. Raphael Church Cemetery

5564 E. St. Raphael Street  
Dubois, IN 47527

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 17. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

## Mass of Christian Burial

SEP 18. 10:00 AM (ET)

St Raphael's Catholic Church  
5564 E St Raphael St  
Dubois, IN 47527

# Tribute Wall

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“ I met Bill on Oct. 1, 1968 on the Courthouse steps as we loaded a bus for Fort Knox and Basic Army Training. He being from Dubois and myself from Huntingburg, we got along well and shared stories of home. After Basic the Army sent us on our own path but never met again but we both ended-up in Vietnam.  
I wish I knew Bill after the service, he was a great guy to be a buddy with. My deepest sympathies go out to his loving friends and family.

*Sincerely, Robert (BOB) Underwood, Jasper*

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**Robert Underwood** - September 19, 2025 at 04:26 AM

KF

“ Keith & I always enjoyed working the Bingo at our Parish Social with Bill and Beth. There was never a dull moment with Bill and his friends manning the pay out table. Our deepest sympathy to his family!

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**Kathy Freyberger** - September 17, 2025 at 09:33 AM

EZ

“ I worked with Bill at JET for 25 of his 44 years. I was in different departments over the years but Bill was always a friend and Mentor to me...he taught me much...RIP my friend!

*Ed Zoglman*

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**Ed Zoglman** - September 16, 2025 at 03:30 PM

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“ *Bill And Jenny Smith lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" E. Leistner*



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**Bill and Jenny Smith** - September 15, 2025 at 03:54 PM