



Eldon C. Childs

December 14, 1952 - May 18, 2025

Eldon Curtis Childs, 72, of Bradley, passed away unexpectedly Sunday, May 18, 2025.

He was born December 14, 1952, the son of Curtis and Julie Childs. Eldon worked as a beloved custodian and bus driver in the Bradley School District for many years. He enjoyed hunting, golfing, and watching westerns. He was particularly fond of John Wayne and Popeye the Sailor. Eldon also enjoyed hanging out at the local bars with friends. Most of all he loved spending time with his family and being a grandpa.

Eldon is survived by his three children, Dustin (Rhonda) Childs of Bradley, Andrew Childs of Bradley, and Hayley (Quinn Fields) Childs of Kankakee; two loving grandsons, Parker and Carter Childs; as well as many good friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation will be held Friday, May 23, 2025, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Kankakee from 9 a.m. until the memorial service at 11 a.m. with Pastor Karl Koeppen officiating.

Memorials may be made to the wishes of the family.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 23. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Pauls Lutheran Church
348 E Merchant St
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-0312

Memorial Service

MAY 23. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Paul Lutheran Church
Kankakee, IL 60901

Tribute Wall



“ to the childs family: so sorry to hear of eldon's passing. i went to grade school, jr hi and hi school with eldon. were friends thruout the years R.I.P. my friend. sincerely, paul "adolph" miller dekalb, il.

paul p miller - June 06, 2025 at 11:36 AM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Eldon C. Childs.



May 22, 2025 at 11:57 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Eldon C. Childs.

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“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Eldon C. Childs.



May 21, 2025 at 10:21 AM

SH

“ Eldon was so nice, kind, and funny and he would always bring us a watermelon in the summer and when he would mow his grass he would let me sit on his lap and help him. Rest in peace Eldon sincerely Shane

shane - May 20, 2025 at 08:30 PM

CB

“ Fly High Eldon. Been a long time. Oh, to go back to Jensen's downtown in the 70's. Cid and Hank.

Cindy Bittmann - May 20, 2025 at 01:31 PM

MS

“ So sorry for your loss Hayley and Quinn
Your old Berkots family

Mari Swayka - May 20, 2025 at 12:21 PM

CF

“ I started working at the library a couple months and Eldon became one of my favorites very quickly, his humor and sweet, smirk smile he gave walking in the door was so heartfelt and I waited to see him every morning that I worked, with his coffee ready to go and the conversations that never failed to make me laugh. The advice and open ears never went unnoticed. He is going to be missed so much and my heart goes out to his family and all of his friends and the people who even had the opportunity to get to know him. May he rest in peace 🙏❤️ love you Eldon.

chloe frerichs - May 20, 2025 at 01:11 AM

AN

“ We have known Eldon for many years and shared many laughs with him at The Library Bar in Bourbonnais, IL. Our deepest sympathy to the family during this difficult time. May he Rest in Peace.

Al and Diane Nowicki

ALAN R NOWICKI - May 19, 2025 at 11:16 PM

CS

“ I met Eldon over 20 years ago. He was always pleasant to talk to and was always considered a friend. Our sympathy and prayers are with Eldon and his family. RIP Eldon. Chuck Snyder

Charles Snyder - May 19, 2025 at 05:38 PM