



Jack Steelsmith

September 18, 1930 - June 27, 2025

Mr. Jack Steelsmith, 94, of Lebanon, Indiana, passed away peacefully Friday, June 27, 2025, at Homewood Health Campus. Born in Kirklin, Indiana, on September 18, 1930, Jack was a son of the late Percy Glen Steelsmith and Mary Ruth (Hoffman) Red.

On March 21, 1954, he was united in marriage to Patricia Joan (Alford) Steelsmith, at the home of the bride's family in Frankfort, Indiana. They celebrated 70 loving years together before she passed away on April 1, 2024.

Jack was a 1948 graduate of Lebanon High School. Following school, he proudly served his country in the United States Air Force from 1950–1954. Upon his return from service, Jack worked as a switchman, for Indiana Bell and then AT&T, retiring in 1988 after 33 years.

Active in the Lebanon community, he held memberships with the Elks Lodge #635, American Legion Post 113, VFW Post 910, Jaycees, and Telephone Pioneers. He loved spending time with his family and telling stories from the “good old days” with his buddies. Jack worked on many projects including restoring a 1930 Model A Roadster and building a pontoon boat the family enjoyed on Morse Reservoir.

Jack and Joan traveled the United States visiting all of the states except

Alaska. They wintered in Lake Placid, Florida and enjoyed time with friends. He lived a life marked by service, dedication and quiet strength.

Survivors include his children, Tonya Thayer of Lebanon, and Greg (Teresa) Steelsmith of Lebanon; 5 grandchildren, Melissa Stambaugh of Lebanon, Heather (Brian) Montgomery of Lebanon, Andrew (Heidi) Thayer of Zionsville, Alex (Tara) Steelsmith of Attica, Michigan, and Leslie (Nathan) Cannon of Waterford Township, Michigan; seven great grandchildren, Kelsey (Paul) Carr, Evan (Savannah) Stambaugh, Brayden Myers, Brenden Montgomery, Harrison and Hadley Thayer, and Otto Steelsmith; two great-great grandchildren, Jackson and Presley Joan Carr; and a sister Madalyn Peabody, and two sisters-in-law Lois Steelsmith and Virginia Young.

In addition to his parents and his beloved wife, Jack was preceded in death by son-in-law, Sam Thayer; granddaughter, Felicia Steelsmith; grandson-in-law, Andy Myers; brother, Robert Steelsmith; and sister JoAn Reynolds.

Funeral Services with military rites are planned for 11:00 a.m. on Monday, July 7, 2025, at Myers Mortuary, 1502 North Lebanon Street, in Lebanon, Indiana. Visitation will be held from 9:00 a.m. until the time of services. Interment will follow at Oak Hill Cemetery in Lebanon.

Memorials may be directed in Jack's memory to the charity of the donor's choice.

Cemetery Details

Oak Hill Cemetery

935 East Washington Street
Lebanon, IN 46052

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 7. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Myers Mortuary
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Tribute Wall

MK

“ Hi Tonya, Sorry to about Jack. He always to the time to say hi to me when were in Cowan's at the same time. Mike Kiincaid

Mike Kincaid - July 07, 2025 at 05:14 PM

MD

“ Mary DeWitt sent a virtual gift in memory of Jack Steelsmith



Mary DeWitt - July 07, 2025 at 02:53 PM

SS

“ We grew up across the street from the Steelsmith family on Harney Drive. Such wonderful times we had. As July 4th approaches, I think of our families doing sparklers and those messy black worms on the 4th. Jack was a very special person. He always had a smile to share. Our condolences to Greg, Tonya, and their families from the Sosbe Family.

Susan Sosbe - July 01, 2025 at 05:34 PM

TL

“ I had known Jack for sometime. I had the opportunity to get to know him a little more when he would stop in & have coffee with the Hardee's Gang! Which I knew most all of them . As Jack would come in . He had his big cane . I always was told never mess with a person that walks softly & carry's a big stick ! He was a gentleman as always & enjoyed his presence.
Tony Linton

Tony Linton - June 30, 2025 at 04:40 PM

TR

“ My thoughts and prayers to you all. Jack was always out and about and always had a smile. I loved always running into him at Cowan's over the years. He lived a great and long life and loved his family tremendously. Knowing he is in his eternal home with your Mom gives us all peace.

Tami Richardson - June 30, 2025 at 03:45 PM

DJ

“ One of those guys that always seemed to be around Lebanon. Glad to have been around when he was. A special person! Condolences to all the family.

Delbert Davis Jr

LEXINGTON, SC

Delbert Davis Jr - June 28, 2025 at 01:54 PM

DS

“ Sincere sympathy!



Dennis Smith - June 28, 2025 at 09:57 AM