



## Wayne J. Mathew

June 7, 1936 - January 6, 2025

Mr. Wayne Joseph Mathew, 88, passed away on Monday, January 6, 2025, at Brownsburg Meadows Assisted Living. He was born in Rensselaer, Indiana on June 7, 1936, a son of the late Ted and Laura (Hardebeck) Mathew.

On July 11, 1959, he was united in marriage to Marilyn Marie (Garing) Mathew, in Kentland, Indiana. She preceded him in death on June 28, 2013.

Wayne graduated from Wolcott High School. After graduating he served our country honorably in the United States Army and was stationed in Panama. Following his service, Wayne returned home and was employed as a mechanic at Allison Transmission for a short time. In 1965, he purchased his first farm and devoted his life to farming.

Wayne was a dedicated member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Lebanon. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather who enjoyed the time he spent with his family.

Survivors include four children, Lorie Mathew of Zionsville, Larry (Marcy) Mathew of Lizton, Gary Mathew of Lizton, and Lana (Robert) Cramer of Zionsville; six grandchildren; six great grandchildren; and nieces, nephews, and cousins.

In addition to his parents and wife, Wayne was preceded in death by his sister, Leatha May (Ralph) Miiller.

Visitation is planned for Tuesday, January 14, 2025, from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m., at Myers Mortuary, 1502 North Lebanon Street, in Lebanon, Indiana, with Rosary held at 3:30 p.m., prior to the visitation. The Funeral Mass with Military Rites will be held at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 319 East South Street, in Lebanon, at 10:30 a.m., on Wednesday, January 15, 2025. Interment will follow the service at St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery in Kentland, Indiana.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Joseph Catholic Church in Lebanon, Indiana and St. Joseph Catholic Church, 409 E Allen St, Kentland, Indiana 47951.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery

2810 W 1700 S  
Kentland, IN 47951

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 14. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Myers Mortuary  
1502 North Lebanon Street  
Lebanon, IN 46052  
(765) 482-0620  
[office@myersmortuary.com](mailto:office@myersmortuary.com)  
<https://myersmortuary.com/>

## Funeral Mass

JAN 15. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Joseph Catholic Church  
319 East South Street  
Lebanon, IN 46052

# Tribute Wall



“ Jasmine M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Wayne J. Mathew.

Jasmine M. - January 14, 2025 at 07:39 PM



“ Wayne was a wonderful man, I so loved talking to him from his stories and his hardy laugh to his knowledge of many things in life, Nancy and I would visit him and Marilyn at the farm and at his assisted living center always knew everyone, I will miss him dearly.  
Jimmy McGraw

Mcgraw Jimmy - January 14, 2025 at 11:25 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Wayne J. Mathew.

January 13, 2025 at 10:04 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Wayne J. Mathew.



January 13, 2025 at 10:04 AM

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“ Wayne was a good person that never seemed to get upset or lose his composure. I remember when he was dating my sister Marilyn, his future wife when I was young. After he arrived they would go out onto our front porch and set on a swing together. I would go out and bother them until they got to the point that they wanted me to go away. So rather than getting mad at me he offered me some change to go away and leave them alone. It worked!!!  
They got married, raised a family, and were very happy together. Now they will be able to be together again forever.  
I send all of my love to their family.  
Dick

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Richard A Garing - January 12, 2025 at 12:32 PM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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Richard A Garing - January 12, 2025 at 12:11 PM

BC

“ Wayne was always a very caring man. He cared about not just me but my whole family. He never saw me and didn't hesitate to ask about my "girl", who is 23. He often gave me days off, he said he would put in the word for me. He also helped me watch the front desk if I had to run an errand. I wasn't prepared for his passing and I have to say I didn't handle it well Monday. He lived a great life, loved much and will truly be missed At Brownsburg Meadows AL. Prayers for you all!!!  
Bridget Cowper

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Bridget Cowper - January 11, 2025 at 04:09 PM

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“ *Whether we were cutting firewood in the woods, welding in the shop, or eating ice cream at the family table, I enjoyed chats with Wayne, and appreciated his love and caring attention to his grandchildren. Gary H*

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**gary higgins** - January 10, 2025 at 11:18 PM