



David Raye Cross

March 3, 1948 - April 7, 2025

David Raye Cross, 77, of New Castle, passed away early Monday morning, April 7, 2025, at home following a brief illness.

He was born on March 3, 1948, in New Castle, Indiana, a son of the late Homer C. and Evelyn I. (Favorite) Cross.

David graduated from Blue River Valley High School in 1966, where he ran track and played baseball. David was very athletic and had a passion for playing softball. He played in the men's league at Osborn Park and in tournaments all over. David was a hard worker and worked 32 years at Dana Corporation before retiring. For many years, he detailed vehicles on the side. He loved oldies and gospel music, attending car shows and cruise-ins.

Those left to cherish David's memory include his son, Jeff (Cindy) Cross, and his daughter, Gina (Tony) Marcum, both of New Castle; grandchildren, Billy Cross, Jeffrey (Kara) Cross Jr., Chris (Katelyn) Marcum, and Chase Marcum (Makayla King); great-grandchildren, Ezra, Lila, MaKennedy, Zaria, Ruby, Miles, and Finley; a nephew by marriage, Aaron Pope, whom he raised like a son; a sister, Pam Cross of New Castle; a brother, Mike Cross, of Mooreland; a special friend, Darlene Runyon of New Castle, and several cousins, nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, David was preceded in death by a sister, Rochelle Lewis.

Funeral services will be held at 1:00 pm Friday, April 11, 2025, at Sproles Family Funeral Home, with Pastor Paul Riddle and Rev. Thomas Sproles officiating. Burial will follow South Mound West Lawn Addition.

Friends may call from 4 – 8 pm Thursday at the funeral home.

Memorial Contributions may be offered to the Alzheimer's Association at www.alz.org.

You may send the family a personal condolence at www.sprolesfamilycares.com.

The Sproles family and staff are honored to serve the family of David Raye Cross.

Cemetery Details

South Mound Cemetery West Lawn Addition

950 South Memorial Dr.
New Castle, IN 47362

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 10. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Sproles Family Funeral Home
2400 S Memorial Dr
New Castle, IN 47362
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Funeral

APR 11. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

BL

“ *Briskin, Cross & Sanford, LLC purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of David Raye Cross.*



Briskin, Cross & Sanford, LLC - April 11, 2025 at 09:02 AM

LM

“ *Linda Thomas was Magee lit a candle in memory of David Cross*



Linda Thomas was Magee - April 10, 2025 at 01:31 PM

LM

“ *I am so sorry to hear about David, I went to school with him in elementary, we had a lot of fun on the play ground. I know he will be missed.
Linda "Magee "Thomas*

Linda Thomas was Magee - April 10, 2025 at 01:30 PM



“ 131 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Sproles Family Funeral Home - April 09, 2025 at 08:29 PM

DG

“ *Darlene Garvin lit a candle in memory of David Cross*



Darlene Garvin - April 09, 2025 at 05:50 PM

DG

“ *I am sad to hear of David's passing. Wishing you peace and comfort Pam. David detailed my cars for years and no one could ever compare to him on detailing. My car would always look like it just rolled off the show room floor. I always told David his detailing was the life of my car. I will never forget when David lived out in the country and one day when I took my car to him, he had a cat house built behind his home. The door to it was open and about 20 some cats came out of their house running to David. It was a funny sight and I have never forgot it. I am assuming David must have loved cats and was a good caretaker of those lucky cats.*

Darlene Garvin - April 09, 2025 at 05:42 PM

DG

“ *Darlene Garvin lit a candle in memory of David Cross*



Darlene Garvin - April 09, 2025 at 05:21 PM

PM

“ *Phil Marsh lit a candle in memory of David Cross*



Phil Marsh - April 09, 2025 at 12:16 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of David Raye Cross.*



April 09, 2025 at 08:34 AM

DC

“ *We will miss David in our neighborhood. He was always so nice walking with his music playing so only he could hear it but he would sing along at times. I'm glad he is free from confusion and needing help. I hope the family knows how they can see him again someday. God is the answer!*

Donna Criswell - April 08, 2025 at 10:40 AM

DG

So sorry to hear that David has passed and for your loss Pam. Wishing you comfort and peace at this time. I always told David he was the life of my cars as no one could detail a car like David. He detailed my cars for years and it would look like the car just rolled off the show room floor. The most amazing thing I could never get over when he finished the car he would never have a hair out of place and you would never know how he did it as hard as he worked. When David lived in the country he had a building in back of his house and one day when I dropped my car off, I will never forget he kept cats in the building and here came I think about 20 cats out of the building and they all marched down to where David was. It was a funny sight and I can still remember it. David said they had their own house in the back yard.
Darlene Garvin

Darlene Garvin - April 08, 2025 at 12:53 PM

KU

My sympathy and thoughts to the whole Cross family. I am so sorry for what you've been through these past few months. We've lost another one of the good guys.

Kevin B. Umbarger - April 09, 2025 at 10:07 AM