



Roger Ruskin Dyer

May 13, 1945 - February 4, 2021

Roger Ruskin Dyer, 75, of Indianapolis, passed away on Thursday, February 4, 2021, at Richard L. Roudebush VA Medical Center in Indianapolis.

He was born May 13, 1945, in Hammond, Indiana, a son of the late Wesley Elwood and Rachel Louise (Larrick) Dyer.

Roger attended Castle Heights Military Academy in Lebanon, Tennessee, where he played trumpet in the band. He was a 1964 graduate of Shortridge High School in Indianapolis. His parents owned many airplanes so Roger grew up with the love of flying. Roger joined the Air Force right after high school and was stationed in Madrid, Spain and Frankfurt, Germany. He loved working with wood and crafted custom kitchen cabinets. For many years, Roger owned RV Vans, a custom van shop, at 16th and Kessler in Indianapolis. After closing the van shop, he drove a semi for many years, until becoming paralyzed in 2006 in an airplane accident. Roger had an adventurous spirit and a vivid imagination. He loved his two dogs, Buster, an American-German Shepherd, and Levi, a Huskie mix.

He is survived by a son, Tom (Michelle) Dyer of Greensboro; five step-grandchildren, Clayton and Caleb Roots, Isaiah and Clementina Mitchell, and Sarah Pate; a brother, Gordon (Jan) Dyer of Gallatin, TN and a sister, Barbara; several nieces and nephews and his long-time companion, Sharon

Hamilton.

In addition to his parents, Roger was preceded in death by a sister, Judy Dyer, who died at age eight and a brother, Ralph Dyer at age 11.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 pm Thursday, February 11, 2021 at Sproles Family Funeral Home with Pastor Jim Becker officiating.

Friends may call from 12:00 pm until the time of the funeral, Thursday, at the funeral home.

Graveside services will be held at 2:00 pm CST, Friday, February 12, 2021 at Evergreen Memorial Cemetery in Bloomington, Illinois with military honors.

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

The Sproles family and staff are honored to serve the family of Roger Ruskin Dyer.

Cemetery Details

Evergreen Memorial Cemetery

302 E Miller St,
Bloomington, IL 61701

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 11. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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

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Graveside Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Sproles Family Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Roger Ruskin Dyer*



Sproles Family Funeral Home - February 11, 2021 at 01:32 PM



“ *45 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Sproles Family Funeral Home - February 10, 2021 at 06:24 PM

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“ Being that I grew up 800 miles away I don't have as many memories of my Uncle as I would like to have. But the memories that I have are precious and near and dear to my heart. As I sit here holding back the tears I remember as a child uncle roger stoping by for a day or so while he was a truck driver out on the road. The morning I watched him eat an entire box of Frosted Flakes in one sitting (mind you he did not eat the entire box in several bowl fulls but he poured the entire box in a huge serving bowl and commenced to make it disappear. The time he taught me how to drive his semi. (that was a scary situation probably more so for him than me). The few times that spent in the wood shop where I watched in awe and learned some neat tips and tricks. The phone conversations where I would answer the phone and he would try to trick me into thinking he was someone else. Possibly my favorite memory is the time he visited for Mardi Gras and I took him to a parade. He stayed out all night picking beads out of trees up and down the parade route. He sure make the clean up crews job the next day a lot easier
Roger Ruskin Dyer was a man with a heart of gold and will be missed many

Chris Dyer

Chris Dyer - February 09, 2021 at 08:26 AM



I remember going snowmobiling on Lake Michigan that Rodger took us to when it was 10 below zero.

James Hamilton - February 15, 2021 at 07:59 AM



“ *This man was my Father, He was smart and talented and had a helping heart. He was strict and set in his ways and at times we bumped heads, but at the end of the day all I can say is thank you dad for teaching me all you could and loving me despite my flaws. You will be dearly missed by all that had a chance to know you. Till I see you again I love you Dad.*

Thomas Dyer - February 07, 2021 at 11:43 AM