



Brian E. Leslie

February 8, 1961 - February 4, 2025

Brian Eugene “Bubba” Leslie
1961 – 2025

Brian Eugene Leslie, known by his closest friends as “Bubba” passed away on February 4, 2025, in Olympia Fields, Illinois, at the age of 63. Born on February 8, 1961, in Chicago Heights, Illinois. Brian lived a life filled with dedication to his work, deep friendships, and cherished pastimes.

Brian devoted much of his career to serving others as a paramedic and firefighter for Crete Township and Palos Heights fire departments. His commitment to helping those in need was a defining part of his life. In addition to his work in emergency services, he also worked as a limo driver and then at Larry’s Cartage as a truck dispatcher. No matter the role he took on, Brian was dedicated to his work and those around him.

Beyond his professional life, Brian had many passions that brought him joy. He was an avid fisherman and hunter who loved spending time outdoors. Brian enjoyed planting and harvesting his garden and fruit trees. He also had a talent for cooking and enjoyed preparing meals for those he cared about. A dedicated collector, Brian amassed an impressive assortment of coins, Pez dispensers, cast iron banks, and casino chips – each piece holding special meaning for him.

Brian had an extraordinary ability to form lasting friendships. He never met a stranger – only friends he hadn't yet made. His kindness and humor left a permanent mark on everyone who had the pleasure of knowing him. Among those he held closest were his beloved cats, Trixie and Dixie, whom he adored and spoiled endlessly.

He is survived by his sister Bonnie Mausehund (Leslie) and her husband Michael Mausehund, sister Coleen Davis (Leslie), sister-in-law Kimberly Leslie (Snell), nephew Kevin Mausehund, nieces Sandra Coffey and Shelbey Collins, cousins Mithchell Bramsteadt and his husband Paul Garbarczyk, Granger Buhr, Dawn Buss and her husband Lee Buss. Along with many dear friends that Brian choose to call family. Brian was preceded in death by his parents Eugene and Rosalind Leslie and his brother Daniel Leslie. Brian will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

A funeral service will be held on Sunday February 16, 2025 from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM at Hack-Jensen Funeral Home, located at 753 Hodges St. Beecher, Illinois 60401. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital or by planting a tree in Brian's memory.

Brian's warmth, generosity, and unwavering friendship will be remembered always. May his memory bring comfort to all who knew him.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 16. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Hack-Jensen Funeral Home
753 Hodges Street
Beecher, IL 60401
jensenfuneralhomes@yahoo.com
<http://Hackfuneralhome.com>

Memorial Service

FEB 16. 4:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Brian E. Leslie.*



February 14, 2025 at 09:05 PM



“ *I worked with Brian at Crosstown trucking. . We both were drivers/dispatcher. Brian was always willing to help others that needed help. My condolences to the family. Carl*

Carl Clarett - February 14, 2025 at 08:02 PM



“ *Myron Paape and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Brian E. Leslie.*

Myron Paape and family - February 14, 2025 at 11:02 AM



“ *Myron Paape and family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Brian E. Leslie.*



Myron Paape and family - February 14, 2025 at 11:02 AM

ZS

“ Zeta S. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Brian E. Leslie.

Zeta S. - February 08, 2025 at 03:41 PM

LK

“ Lynda K. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Brian E. Leslie.

Lynda K. - February 08, 2025 at 11:11 AM

JR

“ Words can't explain the loss right now Brian was the voice of reason when we work together. Very kind-hearted individual always looked out for the drivers he knew how to be empathetic and relate to us when the weight of the world is coming down on our shoulders. Whether he knew you for a long time or just a short period of time everybody with the highest levels of respect. I would truly miss you Brian God has gained another angel.

Jose Ramos - February 06, 2025 at 07:29 PM

JK

“ Brian was a coworker of mine at Larry's Cartage. He will be deeply missed. He was always in a cheerful mood and genuinely happy to see everyone when he walked through the door. He wasn't just a coworker, he was a work buddy. RIP my friend.

Jeff Koronkowski - February 06, 2025 at 07:20 PM

TK

“ Brian was a genuine friend, always willing to lend a hand or an ear. May he always have a little lace in his fishing gear. If you know, you know. RIP

Theresa Kaszubski - February 06, 2025 at 02:35 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear this. He and I were neighbors since we were born. His dad built a monster sandbox and we played in it every day in summer for a couple years. Hide and go seek at his house as it had the best hiding places. When the 2 of us had dirt bikes we would ride after all the time. Finding pop bottles for gas money. Brian I will miss you dearly as we did nearly everything for our first 15 years. RIP.
Jeff Stout

Jeff Stout - February 05, 2025 at 07:53 PM

PA

So sorry for the family!
Brian was a dispatcher for our small trucking firm. He was a great person and had the admiration and respect from all who worked with him.
Best regards!
Pete D Alesandro and family

pete D Alesandro - February 06, 2025 at 07:19 PM

MH

Brian was a good guy, we would had daily conversations about life issues, which all ways ended with smiles and laughter he will definitely be missed.
Sending prayers of peace to the family.
Mark Hudson

Mark Hudson - February 06, 2025 at 08:25 PM

ZS

There are so many memories of Brian and our family. We remember playing poker or spades, camping and fishing, watching him make biscuits and gravy on Christmas mornings, playing waterball, and going to Cubs games and conventions. He is godfather to Kelsie and was best man for Bill. We will always be thankful for the care he gave to our papa, dad, and husband during his last illness.
The Street Family

Zeta Street - February 08, 2025 at 03:35 PM