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David Thomas Butler, age 74, of Burgettstown, Pennsylvania, passed away peacefully on January 9, 2026, while surrounded by the love of family. He was born on February 26, 1951, in Pittsburgh, the son of the late James and Helen Butler.

Dave grew up in the Allentown neighborhood of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where he attended local schools, ultimately graduating from St. George School. He proudly served his country in the United States Navy, achieving the rank of Electrician's Mate Third Class (EM3).

In November of 1970, Dave married Debra Kruger, the love of his life. Together, they raised four children, creating a warm and nurturing home filled with love and laughter.

Dave enjoyed a long and fulfilling career as a journeyman electrician with IBEW Local #5. He was known for his exceptional work ethic and dedication to his craft. Dave's enjoyment for his career and selfless nature led him to often undertake home remodeling and various projects with enthusiasm, and he found great joy in spending time with whichever family member or friend he was helping.

Dave found happiness in being in the sunshine, whether taking a dip in his pool, waterskiing, or tending to his expansive 10 acres of land. He enjoyed staying active, engaging in tasks such as cutting wood and building puzzles. However, his greatest source of happiness came from spending time with his family, and he cherished the role of a grandfather, affectionately being known as "Pap." He was always eager to share joyful moments with his loved ones, offering rides on his tractor, jet ski or slip and slide to all.

Dave was known for his warm smile and fun-loving personality, easily making friends wherever he went. His family remembers him as a smart, sweet, and silly person whose kindness left an indelible mark on everyone he encountered.



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Dave is survived by his loving wife, Debra Butler; his children, David Butler, Jr., Dawn (Scott) Butler, Daniel (Heather) Butler, and Darren (Heather) Butler; and grandchildren, Brittany, Brendan, Carson, Julianna, Samantha and Bryce. He also leaves his sisters, Kathy (the late, James) Schmaderer and Barbara Butler; brother, Daniel (Michelle) Butler and many beloved nieces and nephews who lovingly nicknamed him "Uncle Buckethead" and "Uncle Ta-Da".

In addition to his parents, Dave was preceded in death by his brothers, James (Toni) Butler, Jerry (Colleen) Butler, and Robert Butler, and sister, Susan (Tony) Eperthener.

Relatives and friends are invited to join the family for visitation from 1:00 - 3:00 pm and 5:00 - 8:00 pm on Tuesday, January 13, 2026, and Wednesday, January 14, 2026, from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm at Jefferson Memorial Funeral Home, 301 Curry Hollow Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15236. A service in honor of Dave will be held in the chapel at the funeral home at 12:00 pm. Burial with military honors to follow at Jefferson Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Dave's honor may be made to the Hanover Township Volunteer Fire Department, 9 Starck Drive, Burgettstown, PA 15021.

To leave online condolences please visit <https://www.jeffersonmemorial.com>



Tribute Wall

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Philip L. planted a Memorial Tree in honor of David.

January 14 at 4:47 AM



Courtney And Austin sent a Medium Dish Garden to the Butler family.

January 13 at 4:10 PM



Volunteers Of America, Dakotas sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Butler family.

January 12 at 3:29 PM



The Lake Family sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Butler family.

January 12 at 2:59 PM



The Lake Family planted a Memorial Tree in honor of David.

January 12 at 2:59 PM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Butler family.

January 12 at 2:47 PM





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AB

Antoinette B. sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Butler family.



January 12 at 1:30 PM

AB

Antoinette B. planted a Memorial Tree in honor of David.



January 12 at 1:30 PM

BK

Bill Klemick sent a Florist Choice Bouquet to the Butler family.



January 12 at 12:03 PM

LV

Linda Volz lit a candle in honor of David.

Dear Deb and Family: So so sorry for your great loss. Dave was such a great guy with a contagious laugh and sense of humor. So many memories will bring a smile each time they come to mind. Keeping all of you in prayer for comfort and peace during this time. Sending love, Allan and Linda Volz



January 12 at 12:05 AM

ME

Mary Ann Eperthener posted:

One of the smartest, nicest and fun people we were ever blessed to know. Dave always made the vacations in Ohio extra special with his vibrance and welcoming personality. A great example of what a father, and husband should be, too. He made the best breakfasts and late night mountain pies on the open fire in Vermillion and was such a quick witted and kindhearted participant in our Scavenger Hunts. A funny memory from Ray's bachelor party at our house when he cut a perfect square from the center of the cake not leaving any other crumbs! The rest of the cake undisturbed...he had many skills! Thankful for so many additional fond memories throughout the years...we will miss him.

January 11 at 11:56 PM



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Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Butler family.



January 11 at 10:36 PM



Joshua And Nicole Landis planted a Memorial Tree in honor of David.



January 11 at 10:36 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring David by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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