



## Lester Paul Gentis

April 26, 1950 - June 24, 2012

Lester Paul Gentis, age 62, died Sunday (June 24, 2012) at 4:57 a.m. at Parkview Huntington Hospital.

He was born on April 26, 1950 to Lester E. and Ruby (Bennett) Gentis in Wells County, Indiana. Lester was a graduate of Huntington High School in 1968. He married Melissa Hubley on September 4, 1981 in Huntington.

Lester served in the United States Marines for 4 years as a Staff Sergeant and the United States Air Force for 18 years with the 122 Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron out of Fort Wayne, Indiana as Staff Sergeant. He went on to serve in the United States National Guard for 9 years. Lester worked as a conductor for CF&E of Fort Wayne a division of Rail America in Cincinnati, Ohio, since 1999 and prior to that he worked as a foreman at Majestic in Huntington for 25 years. He was a member of the American Legion Post #7 and served as the First Vice Commander.

Survivors include his wife of 30 years - Melissa Gentis of Huntington; a daughter - Kim (Nick) Cocklin of Huntington; two sons - Travis (Kandi) Camomile of Huntington and Lester Scott Gentis of Huntington; five sisters - June Collier of New Haven, Diana Gentis of Huntington, Cheryl Shurtz of Lemont, Illinois, Libby Buzzard of Upland and Sally Stanley of Blackford; six grandchildren - Olivia, Meg and Adison Camomile of Huntington, Gage and

Dakota Cocklin of Huntington and Ramona Gentis of Florida. His parents, sister Patricia Tappy, brother Howard Earl Gentis preceded him in death.

Visitation is from 10 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. (Thursday) June 28, 2012 at Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, Indiana with funeral services following at 1:00 p.m. at Bailey-Love Mortuary with Pastor Jeff Carrell officiating. The V.F.W Post # 2689 of Huntington will perform Military Honors.

Memorial contributions can be made to American Legion Post #7 Kitchen fund in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary 35 West Park Drive, Huntington Indiana 46750.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 28. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Lester Paul Gentis



Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary - June 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Love & miss you Daddy. My hero. Best Dad in the world.

Lester Scot Gentis - June 24, 2019 at 02:39 PM



“ Okay so grandpa you were the bet grandpa anyone could every ask for you were always the greatest even though you would always yell at us for picking on Diana 😭.....but we all love you and miss iou very much still and I just found out about this thing when I was looking up your name to see when you past away love you so much 😭😇  
Love Cody💕💕

Dakota - March 15, 2017 at 08:00 PM

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“ *Brenda Hare (Elsten) lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis*



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**Brenda Hare (Elsten)** - July 09, 2012 at 03:59 PM

JW

“ *Judy Wade lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis*



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**Judy Wade** - June 28, 2012 at 10:11 PM



“ *Lester was a great friend & a great guy to work with, always had a way to make you laugh. he will be gresatly missed. Rest in peace, buddy.*

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June 28, 2012 at 04:12 PM



“ *lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis*



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June 28, 2012 at 04:06 PM

SU

“ I will never forget how often he caught us guys doing exactly what he told us not to do, but he always welcomed us back for more. He is a great man who will be missed.

Scott Ulrich - June 28, 2012 at 12:35 PM

LH

“ Lisa (Tappy) Hinkledire lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis



Lisa (Tappy) Hinkledire - June 28, 2012 at 12:01 PM

LH

My deepest Sympathy for his wife and Family

Lisa (Tappy) Hinkledire - June 28, 2012 at 12:03 PM

SU

“ I will never forget how many times he caught us doing exactly what he didn't want us to do, but then he always welcomed us in his home to do it again. He is a great man who will be missed. My thoughts are with you all.

Scott Ulrich - June 28, 2012 at 10:14 AM

JD

“ Our condolences go out to you and your family! You are in our thoughts and prayers.  
John and Jill Denman

Jill Denman - June 28, 2012 at 10:00 AM

KH

“ *Kathy Feighner Poe Hemker lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis*



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**Kathy Feighner Poe Hemker** - June 28, 2012 at 06:16 AM

MH

“ *Marcia Hernandez lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis*



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**marcia hernandez** - June 27, 2012 at 08:00 PM

LC

“ *Lindsey Crago lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis*



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**Lindsey Crago** - June 27, 2012 at 07:43 PM

CO

“ *Chip & Debby Olinger lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis*



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**Chip & Debby Olinger** - June 27, 2012 at 06:03 PM

SF

“ Our condolences go out to you and your family. He was a great asset in the Weapons Area at the Air Guard Base and will be missed.

*Steven and Shrley Ferris*

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**Steven W. Ferris** - June 27, 2012 at 01:03 PM

AS

“ *Autumn Schamerloh lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis*



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**Autumn Schamerloh** - June 27, 2012 at 10:37 AM

TC

“ *Teresa (Ewell) Cook lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis*



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**Teresa (Ewell) Cook** - June 27, 2012 at 08:57 AM

EE

“ *Ed And Marjie Ehler lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis*



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**Ed and Marjie Ehler** - June 27, 2012 at 07:40 AM

KH

“ *Kathy Harper lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis*



**kathy harper** - June 27, 2012 at 06:42 AM

KH

*so sorry to read about Lester..he was always such a swwet guy to run into. my prayers are with you and the family Missy<3*

**kathy harper** - June 27, 2012 at 06:43 AM

BR

“ *Brenda sent a virtual gift in memory of Lester Paul Gentis*



**Brenda** - June 27, 2012 at 02:05 AM

AW

“ *Ami Waters lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis*



**Ami Waters** - June 27, 2012 at 12:05 AM

JF

“ Jeff And Deanna Albertson And Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Lester Paul Gentis



Jeff and Deanna Albertson and family - June 26, 2012 at 09:07 PM

SG

“ Sally A Gamble lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis



sally a gamble - June 26, 2012 at 07:59 PM

SG

Missie and Family, Im so saddened about Les. Just know we all are thinking of you and your Family .He will be Greatly missed. What a wonderful man. May God be with you . Your Friend from Post # 7

Sally A Gamble - June 26, 2012 at 10:58 PM

MH

“ Lester was a very very special cousin and friend. No matter where he was; he always had a kind word. He would always make sure you would part with a smile on your face. Will miss you and our phone conversions. We will always remember all the fun all of us had in Grandmas " red rocking chair" love miss your favorite cuz; marcia



marcia ( bennett) hernandez - June 26, 2012 at 06:54 PM

JS

“ *John Stanley lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis*



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**John Stanley** - June 26, 2012 at 06:20 PM

RW

“ *Ronda Wiland lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis*



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**Ronda Wiland** - June 26, 2012 at 06:14 PM

JF

“ *Lester was always fun to be around, he was a great guy. sorry for our loss.*

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**Jesse Fordyce** - June 26, 2012 at 06:14 PM

JS

“ *Jeanine Shock lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis*



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**Jeanine Shock** - June 26, 2012 at 05:55 PM

JB

“ Joe And Theresa Bucher lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis



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**Joe and Theresa Bucher** - June 26, 2012 at 04:59 PM

RM

“ Rhonda Morgan lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis



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**Rhonda Morgan** - June 26, 2012 at 04:47 PM

RM

*I have lots of memories of Lester and the rest of the Gentis family. So sorry to hear of your loss. Have wondered about all of you many times.*

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**Rhonda Morgan** - June 26, 2012 at 04:50 PM

AM

“ My love and prayers to Missy and all of the family. I am going to miss him and his smile and how much love he showed me by giving me a hard time. Most of all, I will miss dancing with him at Johnny's! God Bless You!



*Amanda Menchaca*

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**Amanda Menchaca** - June 26, 2012 at 04:30 PM

JS

“ *Jim And Sue Sunderman lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis*



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**Jim and Sue Sunderman** - June 26, 2012 at 03:51 PM

JS

*Missy always remember...The Eagle Has Landed... Our Deepest Sympathy :(*

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**Jim and Sue Sunderman** - June 26, 2012 at 03:58 PM



“ *lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis*



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June 26, 2012 at 03:35 PM

BS

“ *Brandi Shockney lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis*



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**Brandi Shockney** - June 26, 2012 at 02:58 PM

MS

“ *Dear Missy and Family, Am so sorry to hear of Les's death, just way too young...I am thinking of you with deepest sympathy.*

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**Mary Jo Schenkel** - June 26, 2012 at 02:28 PM

KB

“ *Kent Barrus lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis*



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**kent barrus** - June 26, 2012 at 02:02 PM

AB

“ *Amanda L. (Schott) Brown lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis*



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**Amanda L. (Schott) Brown** - June 26, 2012 at 02:01 PM

AB

*Rest peacefully in Heaven Lester Paul! God took you home way too soon!! My thoughts & prayers are with your family!!! Love Ya Cousin!!!!*

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**Amanda L. (Schott) Brown** - June 26, 2012 at 02:05 PM



“ *lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis*



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June 26, 2012 at 01:45 PM

BK

“ *Blaine And Teresa Kaylor lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis*



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**Blaine and Teresa Kaylor** - June 26, 2012 at 01:18 PM

DS

“ *Dan Schmalzried And Pam Sherman lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis*



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**Dan Schmalzried and Pam Sherman** - June 26, 2012 at 12:52 PM

DS

*Sorry to hear about Les passing. Thoughts and prayers are with the family at this time.....Dan Schmalzried and Pam Sherman*

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**Dan and Pam Schmalzried** - June 26, 2012 at 12:54 PM

SK

“ *Missy, you have my sympathy.*

*Shirley Kiefer*

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**Shirley Kiefer** - June 26, 2012 at 12:43 PM

MH

“ Mike & Teresha Hubley lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis



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**Mike & Teresha Hubley** - June 26, 2012 at 11:42 AM

MH

*Lester was a very nice guy. He will be missed. Know you as his family will be in our prayers during this time of sorrow. Bless you all.*

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**Mike & Teresha Hubley** - June 26, 2012 at 11:44 AM

SS

“ Sally Stanley lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis



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**sally stanley** - June 26, 2012 at 09:58 AM

MT

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Matt Tappy** - June 26, 2012 at 06:39 AM

TS

“ *Teresa Snyder lit a candle in memory of Lester Paul Gentis*



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**teresa snyder** - June 26, 2012 at 05:33 AM

JD

“ *Lester would come to American Legion Post 7 always with the biggest smile on his face and would not leave until he told everyone good bye and either shook their hand or gave them a big hug. He will be missed by our Post and our American Legion Riders. Your mission is now complete, our brother is home.*



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**Joie Jodrey ALR Chapter 7 Director** - June 25, 2012 at 03:23 PM