



Ralph W. "BUTCH" Andrews Jr

June 24, 1952 - June 11, 2017

Ralph W. "BUTCH" Andrews Jr., 64, of Concord Twp. for the past 24 years, passed away after a long and courageous battle with pancreatic cancer on June 11, 2017 at his home with his family by his side. He was born June 24, 1952 in Cleveland, Ohio.

Butch was an avid front running fan of the Dallas Cowboys, L.A. Lakers, New York Yankees and the Cleveland Cavaliers. He started working at Phil mar Corporation in 1970 and then moved on to Ohio Sealants, now the Henkel Corporation, in 1978 where he worked for 37 years. Butch was a "graduate" of OSI and worked there for 37 years before retiring in 2015. He was inducted into the Greater Cleveland Slo Pitch Hall of Fame in 2001 and played many years for Ohio Sealants, Holiday Lounge and Erieside Electric. The Hall of Fame voted Butch the president of the organization in 2005 and he held that title until he passed away. Butch and his wife Yvonne coached several youth organizations at St. Gabriel's Church and in Concord Twp., Painesville and Leroy Twp. for over 18 years. "BUTCHSTRONG – ALL IN, #27"

Survivors are his loving wife of 26 years, Yvonne (nee Basilone) Andrews; children Jennifer (Joseph) Felty, Douglas (Heather) Andrews, Ashley (Steve) Lampman, and Jordan (fiancé Beth Switzler) Andrews; his grandchildren, Michael, Paige, Madison, Austin, Lucas, Alexa, and Morgan; his sister, Lori Austin; his brother, Warren (Debbie) Andrews; and his nieces and nephews,

Kristy (Marty) Adams, Matt Austin and Sarah Cox. He is also survived by many other loving family members and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ralph W. Andrews Sr., and Elizabeth Andrews; and his brothers in law, Craig Austin and Ted Wolf.

The family will receive friends from 3-8 p.m. Wednesday at the Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060.

A funeral mass to celebrate Butch's life will be held 10 a.m. Thursday June 15, 2017 at St. Gabriel's Catholic Church, 9925 Johnnycake Ridge Rd., Concord Twp. Please meet at church.

Interment will be at Concord Twp. Cemetery.

In memory of Butch and in lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the Greater Cleveland Slo Pitch Softball Hall of Fame and Museum, 605 East 222nd St. Euclid, OH 44123, visit their website at www.softballmuseum.org or to St. Gabriel's Catholic Church.

Please offer condolences at www.brunners.com

Cemetery Details

Concord Twp. Cemetery

11650 Concord Hambden Rd
Concord Twp, OH 44077

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **14.** 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center
8466 Mentor Avenue
Mentor, OH 44060
(440) 255-3401
ajs@brunners.com
<https://www.brunners.com/>

Funeral Mass

JUN **15.** 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Gabriel Catholic Church
9925 Johnnycake Ridge Rd.
Concord Twp., OH 44060
(440) 352-8282

Tribute Wall



“ Garden Accent - *"Those we love don't go away..."* was purchased for the family of Ralph W. "BUTCH" Andrews Jr.



June 15, 2017 at 06:48 PM



“ *Butch will be greatly missed. My father, Anthony Suhadolnik, played slow-pitch softball with him for many many years! So I have so many fond memories of Butch and to try and pick one memory of him is hard to do, whether it was from the ball fields, the tournaments, or at his house. He was an awesome person all around! Always making people laugh, so compassionate, so caring, and always smiling. Not to mention he was an awesome ballplayer! My sympathy for you and your family. He definitely was a "one of a kind" person.*

Melissa (Missy Suhadolnik) Noggy

Melissa (Missy Suhadolnik) Noggy - June 14, 2017 at 03:19 PM



“ *Our prayers are with the Andrews family. Butch was an awesome guy and will be greatly missed by his family and friends. He was Godfather to my son, and he was such a great role model for him. Godspeed Butch.*

Jona S. Mullins - June 14, 2017 at 01:43 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ralph W. "BUTCH" Andrews Jr.



June 14, 2017 at 07:50 AM



“ To Yvonne, Jordan and all o the Andrews family, Michelle and I are deeply saddened by Butch's passing. His legacy is entrenched in local softball lore and I was privileged to having played together on our Gabe's team; if for a brief time.

Our sincere condolences....Rich & Michelle lafelice

Richard J lafelice - June 14, 2017 at 07:11 AM



“ Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ralph W. "BUTCH" Andrews Jr.



June 13, 2017 at 10:59 AM



“ Your father will always be missed for his lovely smile, gentle behavior, and his kindness. Let your lovely memories give you peace and strength, and know that we will keep you close in our thoughts and prayers in the coming weeks as you go through your process of grieving. Our deepest sympathy.

Andy & Sandy Thomas - June 13, 2017 at 08:36 AM

MS

“ I cannot find the words to adequately express the sorrow I feel over the loss of my lifelong friend, Butch, or the depth of my sympathy for his wonderful family who have shared and benefited from his enormously welcoming personality and love over the years. Butch and I grew up together, we played lots of baseball together as kids (for the record, there was a brief period in time when I could actually outplay him—it didn't last long), and we shared many life stories and a few special moments along the way to adulthood as our professions and families grew and separated us by geography. It is a gross understatement for me to say that I will miss Butch, as will all who knew him. As long as we have love in our hearts and thoughts in our minds, Butch Andrews will live on forever and fondly in our memories. God bless you Butch, and God bless the Andrews' family.

Mike Sarraino

Michael Sarraino - June 13, 2017 at 08:13 AM

AT

“ Andy And Sandy Thomas lit a candle in memory of Ralph W. "BUTCH" Andrews Jr



Andy and Sandy Thomas - June 13, 2017 at 08:06 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ralph W. "BUTCH" Andrews Jr.



June 13, 2017 at 07:47 AM

DB

“ One of a kind, a gentle, wonderful young man. I am proud to say that I had an opportunity to play with Butch when he first joined OSI, a class young man. I am sure he is still playing the game he loved. His family I am sure, are proud, as they should be, to call him husband, father, son, uncle, as he was a first class man. God Bless his family and his departed soul. RIP!

*Dick Bernard
Sun Lakes, AZ*

Dick Bernard - June 13, 2017 at 06:52 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Ralph W. "BUTCH" Andrews Jr.



June 13, 2017 at 04:26 AM

SG

“ *SAL GIUNTA lit a candle in memory of Ralph W. "BUTCH" Andrews Jr*



SAL GIUNTA - June 13, 2017 at 03:17 AM

KL

“ *Butchie was such an amazing guy both on the field and off. Such good fun memories of him. This picture is how I remember him. He's in heaven with my Dad (Leonard Longo) watching softball and having a good time. RIP dear Butchie. Karen Longo-Veverka*

Karen Longo-Veverka - June 12, 2017 at 07:05 PM

LF

“ *RIP Butch. One of our softball family gone to soon. Our sympathies to the Andrews family in their time of loss.*

Lynne A Frizell - June 12, 2017 at 07:03 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Ralph W. "BUTCH" Andrews Jr.*



June 12, 2017 at 06:12 PM