



## Ross A. Walter

February 23, 1948 - August 12, 2022

Ross Alan Walter, 74, of Muncie, IN, passed away on August 12, 2022, at IU Health Simon Cancer Center in Indianapolis, IN after a brief illness.

Ross was born on February 23, 1948, in New Castle, IN, raised by his parents, Ralph and Gladys (Stockton) Boyd and Harvey Walter, and loved by his in-laws, Leonard and Thelma Bicknell. He married his high school sweetheart, Kathy (Bicknell) Walter on September 2, 1966, in Mooreland, IN, and spent nearly 56 years together; raising their family, taking bus trips, and playing cards.

He is survived by his wife, Kathy Walter; daughters, Wendy (Patrick Murphy) Walter of Bloomington, IN, Kelly (Brad) Zimmerman of Franklin, IN, and Mandy (Aaron) Parris of Indianapolis, IN; grandsons, Alex (Kayla) Zimmerman, Griffin Walter-Bailey, Sam (Anne) Zimmerman, and Avery Walter-Bailey; granddaughters, Mari Walter-Bailey, Kayla Parris and Maren Parris; great-grandson, Liam Zimmerman; sister, Candace Baker of West Manchester, OH; brothers and sisters-in-law, Chris Lundy, Mike (Brenda) Bicknell, Jackie (Gary) Daffron, and David (Becky) Bicknell; as well as several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, mother-in-law and brother-in-law.

Ross was a graduate of Hagerstown High School in 1966, and Ball State University in 1973. He enjoyed an almost 30-year career as Superintendent of Building Maintenance at Ball State University, retiring in November of 2018. This was after spending 20 successful years with Dana Corporation, as well

as time with Marathon, Texaco and Allison Transmission. Along with enjoying his retirement together with his wife, Ross was a dedicated servant and always willing to help others, spending many years as a trustee of their church, Eden, in Muncie, IN, and being involved with the Jaycees in Hagerstown. He loved sports, and was a great coach and supporter of his daughters and grandkids, including coaching basketball and softball in Churubusco, as well as coaching track for Delta High School. He also spent many years officiating basketball games in the Muncie area.

Visitation will be 4 to 7 PM on Thursday, August 18 and 11 AM to 12 PM on Friday at Culberson Funeral Home, Hagerstown. Services will follow at 12 PM. Burial will be in Brick Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Ross's name to the Hagerstown Athletics, 701 Baker Rd., Hagerstown, IN 47346 or to Eden Church, 11205 N. SR 3, Muncie, IN 47303.

# Cemetery Details

## Brick Cemetery

5352 N. Brick Church Rd.  
Hagerstown, IN 47346

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 18. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Culberson Funeral Home - Hagerstown  
51 South Washington Street  
Hagerstown, IN 47346  
(765) 489-5511  
info@culbersonfh.com  
<https://www.culbersonfh.com/>

## Visitation

AUG 19. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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51 South Washington Street  
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## Service

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AUG 19. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Culberson Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ross A. Walter*



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**Culberson Funeral Home** - August 17, 2022 at 09:20 PM

SW

*A Life Well Lived❤️❤️❤️ So sorry for your loss of Ross.*

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**Sandy Watt** - August 18, 2022 at 04:21 PM

SW

“ *So very sorry to hear this. I retired from FPM in June 2020, after 21 years running the sign shop. Ross was my boss for a portion of those years. He was a genuinely super nice guy. He knew everyone's name, throughout campus. That always amazed me, as I am terrible at remembering names! Thank you for the wonderful pictures included. I really enjoyed looking at them. My condolences to the family and friends. -Sue White*

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**Sue White** - August 20, 2022 at 10:07 AM

MT

“ I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Ross. I lived at the Hults Farm in Albany and owned by Ball State for a few years and he would come out if I had a problem with something. The absolute sweetest man and always had a smile and a kind word. May he rest in complete peace and may his family have wonderful memories to hold near to you.



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**Melanie L Turner** - August 18, 2022 at 04:49 PM

JM

“ So sorry Kathy Ross was a good man.

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**Jeff Morgan** - August 18, 2022 at 04:08 PM

PC

“ Kathy and all the Walter family,

*We send our sincere condolences with the loss of your wonderful husband, father and grandfather. I worked with Ross for many years at Ball State. He was always genuine and a great help to me and all of us in the Department of Sports Facilities. There were very few days went by that Ross and I did not talk about or collaborate on some project. I'm sure that everyone who knew Ross would agree that he was definitely a kind and dedicated servant. Truly a man of high integrity. I will always relish his friendship. Prayers to all of the Walter family.*

*Phil and Susan Clay*

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**Philip Clay** - August 18, 2022 at 11:48 AM

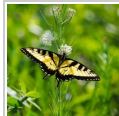


“ *Kathy and Family,*

*Words cannot express what is in our hearts as we think of what Ross meant to our family, our church family, and community. Our love and prayers are with you, as you and your family journey through this difficult time of loss. We cannot begin to tell you how often we have heard church family express how Ross has impacted them with his caring, loving, and friendly outreach on Sunday mornings at church. We and church family looked forward to seeing him in the hallways warmly greeting others, and we know that he truly was a man of God in every way. He was a strong and gentle servant who quietly served God in so many ways, often in the background, where others may never notice. Bill so loved working for Ross as well at Ball State, and looked up to the way he treated others with respect and cared about everyone. We will always smile when we remember Ross's expression, " Ohhhhh Bill!", which always brought a laugh. We are truly thankful for his amazing life and the loving husband, father, grandfather, and man of God that he was. We will deeply miss Ross, but know that he is healed and truly in joy this day with his Heavenly family!*

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**Barbara Broyles** - August 18, 2022 at 10:41 AM



*In an age when fathers and grandfathers are often missing, Ross served in that role for many. Up until mid May, Ross and another volunteer hosted a basketball time weekly with a few boys at Eden Church who needed a father figure, mentor, and coach. Ross impacted their lives by the time that he spent with them, and the way that he listened and encouraged them. Praying that his legacy will continue on.*

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**Barbara Broyles** - August 18, 2022 at 11:08 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Ross A. Walter.*



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August 18, 2022 at 07:41 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Ross A. Walter.*



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August 18, 2022 at 02:43 AM



“ *93 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Culberson Funeral Home** - August 17, 2022 at 08:25 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Ross A. Walter.*



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August 17, 2022 at 01:49 PM



“ *Sorry to hear this news, Ross was such a nice guy! Even if I didn't care for a call he made, I could never get upset with him. He was a mild mannered gentlemen who TRULY wanted to help young people. Thank You Ross for your friendship through sports! I pray for his family and friends!*

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**Aaron Groves** - August 17, 2022 at 01:46 PM



“ *Sweet Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Ross A. Walter.*



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August 17, 2022 at 08:27 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ross A. Walter.*



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August 17, 2022 at 07:10 AM

PE

“ *My sincere condolences to Ross's family. What a gentle soul. My prayers to his wife and girls...he always beamed when talking about you. Prayers to all...and God rest his soul. Pat Ervin*

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**Pat Ervin** - August 16, 2022 at 09:43 PM

AJ

“ *Ross and I spent many, many hours together painting, repairing, and generally enjoying each others stories and musings. Oh yes, we both enjoyed eating Chinese, Mexican and basically any other type of meal. It wasn't the food that was important, but rather the genuine enjoyment of each other's company. I shall sorely miss you, my friend.*

*Alan Johnson*

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**Alan Johnson** - August 16, 2022 at 06:43 PM

WA

“ *My condolences to the Walter family.*

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**William Auker** - August 16, 2022 at 06:28 PM

JL

“ *On behalf of everyone in Facilities Planning and Management at Ball State University we are sadden to learn of the passing of our friend and colleague Ross Walter.*

*To the family we pass along our sincere condolences.*

*Ross was a kind and caring person, who helped everyone.*

*The world would greatly benefit from having more individuals like Ross.*

*He will be sadly missed.*

*Sincerely,*

*Jim Lowe*

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**James Lowe** - August 16, 2022 at 05:19 PM

DD

“ I was honored to work with Ross for many years at Ball State. I will always remember his smile and his kindness. Diane Drake

Diane Drake - August 16, 2022 at 03:31 PM

GG

“ Ross, Janie, and I commuted together to Ball State, all starting back to college at the same time. It was great to have the support of my former classmates as we started this adventure. Ross was always there at any class gatherings. As I read of all the things he has done in his lifetime, it was amazing!

Gloria Goens - August 16, 2022 at 10:19 AM

PH

“ Kathy & Family, your Eden Church family are grieving with you and will always be inspired by Ross' life, his character, kindness and commitment to our community. He will forever be missed from this side of the veil. Much love to you all and we continue to carry you all in our thoughts and prayers.



Pastor Tammy & Jack Hallam - August 15, 2022 at 09:30 PM

MG

“ Words can not express the sympathy I have for Kathy and all the family. The story you wrote tells everyone what a wonderful Sheperd we lost. All I can say is God needed him now. Bless you all in this time of sorrow. Marcia

Marcia Conder Geise - August 15, 2022 at 03:51 PM

DS

“ *Don Siefker lit a candle in memory of Ross A. Walter*



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**Don Siefker** - August 15, 2022 at 03:10 PM

MD

“ *Mark and Dixie DeWitt purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ross A. Walter.*



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**Mark and Dixie DeWitt** - August 15, 2022 at 02:40 PM

LO

“ *Words can't describe how much I will miss Ross. To the Kathy and all of the family my thoughts and prayers are with you in the days and weeks ahead. Well done good and faithful servant. Lori*

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**Lori** - August 15, 2022 at 02:06 PM