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Arthur G. Behnke, 77, of The Villages, FL, passed away on Saturday, August 20th at the Advent Health Deland Hospital in Deland, FL. He was born on November 12, 1944 in Chicago, IL, the son of Christine (Struck) and Arthur C. Behnke. Arthur was united in marriage on May 24, 1969 in Chicago, IL to Nancy J. Kantarski. He is survived by his two sons, David (Kyra) Behnke of Glen Ellyn, IL, and Mike (Beth) Behnke of Chicago, IL; one daughter, Carol (Greg) Autenrieth of Batavia, IL; one brother, Glenn (Sue) Behnke of Rantoul, IL; four grandchildren, Molly, Lily, Callie, and Jonah. Arthur was preceded in death by his parents and spouse. A visitation will be held on September 3, 2022 at 9:00 AM with a service following at 10:00 AM. The visitation and service will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church, 17330 S US HWY 441, Summerfield, FL 34491. Following the service, a burial with Military Honors will be held at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens, 1901 County Road 25A, Leesburg, FL 34748. Online condolences may be shared by visiting www.bankspagetheus.com.



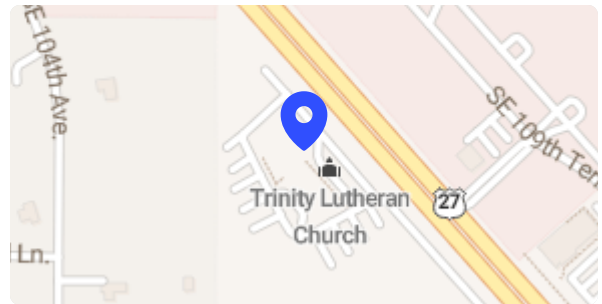
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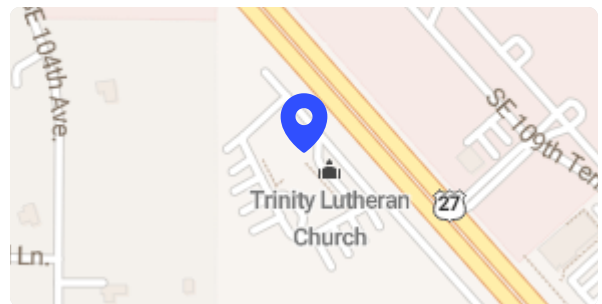
Visitation prior to ceremony

- Saturday**, September 3, 2022
- 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM ET
- Trinity Lutheran Church**
17330 US-441, Summerfield FL 34491



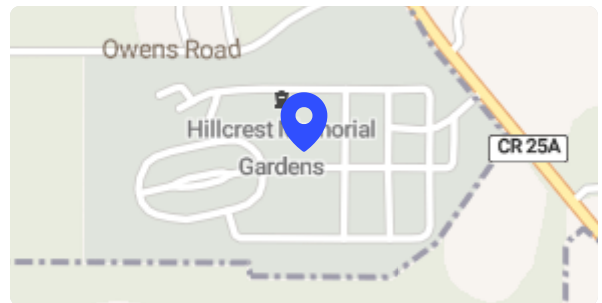
Funeral Ceremony

- Saturday**, September 3, 2022
- 10:00 AM ET
- Trinity Lutheran Church**
17330 US-441, Summerfield FL 34491



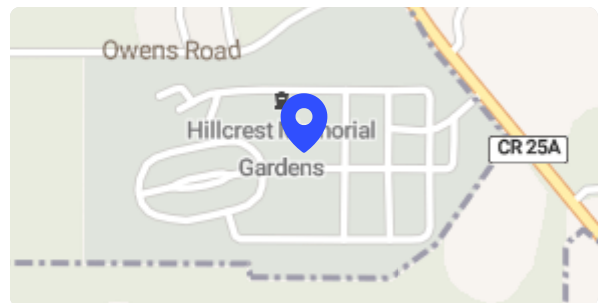
Burial

- Saturday**, September 3, 2022
- 11:30 AM ET
- Hillcrest Memorial Gardens**
1901 County Road 25-A, Leesburg FL 34748



Cemetery Details

- Hillcrest Memorial Gardens**
1901 County Road 25-A, Leesburg FL 34748
- (352) 702-9066**





Tribute Wall

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Kevin Weber posted:

It was such a privilege, blessing and honor to have known your father. Art was such a good friend to me. I am deeply saddened by his passing and am sorry to not be there for the wake and funeral, but please know that I am praying for the Lord's hand on you all as you grieve. For the past several years, I did not see him a lot, but when I did, he was the kind of friend who I could talk to for a short while and feel like we had never skipped a beat in our friendship. I worked with him for, I think, around 7 years, and came to know him and respect him deeply. He was very good and very passionate about his work and very caring for the people with whom he worked. He was a father figure to many of us, always quick to lend a compassionate, attentive ear and offer fatherly advice. Even though he reported to me, I never felt like it was a supervisor/worker relationship. It was more of a friendship. He loved counting down the days to his retirement, but I remember telling him on his last day that I had dreaded that day long before it came to pass. Work was never the same after he retired. He loved his life and it was so obvious that he deeply loved Nancy, Carol, Dave, Mike and his grandkids. You all were at the very top of his priority list in every way. He was fun to be around. He had a lot of endearing quirks and phrases such as "I don't care about the labor pains, just get me the baby!" and "tell it to the judge!". There were so many more that I can't recall off the top of my head right now. He loved his flat cokes! And he and I shared a love for baseball even though he loved and cheered for the hated Yankees! 8-) Art was there for me in one of the greatest trials of my life, sharing the burden with me. I will never forget his willingness to walk that road with me. I am so glad to have had the opportunity to come down to Florida and visit him a couple of times. It was so much fun. I will never forget, and will always very much treasure and appreciate the time and friendship I had with Art and the impact he had and still has on my life. I am going to miss him a lot. Thank you for this opportunity to share. Kevin Weber

September 3 at 5:56 AM



Anonymous sent a Classic Sympathy Dish Garden to the Behnke family.



September 1 at 7:44 AM



Anonymous sent a Roses For Sympathy to the Behnke family.



August 31 at 4:21 AM



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Love From The Luken And Lichter Families sent a Sincerest Sorrow - Blue and White to the Behnke family.

August 29 at 5:09 PM



Anonymous sent a Fields of Europe to the Behnke family.

August 28 at 6:15 AM



Anonymous sent a Red & White Sympathy Floor Basket to the Behnke family.

August 27 at 8:28 AM



Dan And Eileen Moll posted:

We are very sorry and sad to hear about Art's passing. I have great memories seeing Artie, often on Sundays at Grandma's house and on vacations our families took together a few times. I'm probably a Yankee fan because of Art. In later years, we enjoyed seeing Art and Nancy both in Illinois and Florida. He was a kind and generous man and we are honored to have known him. We offer sincere condolences to Art's family. Dan and Eileen Moll

August 26 at 7:10 AM



Beth Eckels posted:

So sorry to hear that Artie died. His family and ours were very close. We all looked up to "Big Artie." My husband and I visited him in The Villages, and our magic connection was still there.

August 26 at 6:01 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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