



David L. Lorah

February 26, 2024

David L. “Wally” Lorah, 67, of Landisville, died peacefully in his home surrounded by his family on Monday, February 26, 2024, after a long-fought battle with cancer. Born in Ephrata PA, he was the son of Howard S. Lorah and the late Barbara Schall. Dave married his wife, Beth, in 1978 and they raised three children together over the span of their 45-year marriage.

Dave attended J.P. McCaskey High School before completing the welding program at Willow Street Vo Tech. A particular point of pride, he later completed his GED at the age of 40. Early in his career, Dave worked as a welder for Posey Ironworks before becoming a machine operator at the Kellogg Company where he worked for 34 years until his retirement in 2020.

Nicknamed “Wally” after his infectious laugh reminiscent of the classic cartoon alligator, Dave found joy in a variety of hobbies, including playing for a church softball league as a dedicated slugger in the early 80s. He was also an avid bowler, participating in a variety of leagues at both Rocky Springs and Leisure Lanes, most notably representing Midway Hotel. His love for golf extended beyond the greens, creating lasting memories as he shared the fairways with his son and brothers-in-law.

Dave’s love for family beach vacations at Rehoboth Beach and Sea Isle City was built upon a life-long tradition of family togetherness. He was the

unwavering captain of the annual sun-soaked adventures, leading the charge for boardwalk games, mini golf, and seafood feasts.

He is survived by his wife, Beth, children, Amy (Cory Trimble), Bryan (Stephanie Bray), and Kelly, as well as his grandchildren, Landon, Marci, and Mia. He is also survived by 2 brothers, 2 stepbrothers, and a stepsister. He was preceded in death by his stepmother, Patricia Lorah and an older stepbrother.

A Memorial Gathering will be held at The Groff's Family Funeral Home, 528 W. Orange Street, Lancaster, PA on Monday, March 4, 2024, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Interment at Greenwood Cemetery will be private at the discretion of the family.

Forever a classic hard rock fan, Dave's passion for the genre was like a well-played riff that echoed through his life. Whether cruising in his car or relaxing at home, the sounds of his iconic favorites filled the space and created the soundtrack for a life well lived. In honor of Dave, memorial attire is casual and don't forget to dig out your favorite band t-shirt!

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Hospice & Community Care, 685 Good Drive, Lancaster PA, 17604 or The Healing Journey Foundation, Lancaster Cancer Center, 498 Stehman Road, Lancaster PA, 17603.

Cemetery Details

Greenwood Cemetery

Lancaster, PA 17603

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 4. 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc
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Tribute Wall



“ *The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of David L. Lorah*



The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc - March 01, 2024 at 02:30 PM

AH

“ *Sorry to hear of your loss, I worked Dave always enjoyed his humor and stories he will be missed by all*

Al Hake - March 04, 2024 at 07:05 PM

AW

“ *I so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with the entire family. I always enjoyed caring for Dave when he came in for his appointments, we always shared good conversations and laughs. I remember when I got him scheduled very early in the morning for his appointment and we joked how he didn't like early morning so I joked and told him to come in and just ware your pajamas, we laughed , and the next day here comes Dave walking in his pajamas, totally made my day. He will defiantly be missed.*

Alanna Watts - March 03, 2024 at 07:32 PM

KF

“ Kevin, Tania, Chris , Zach and families.
purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for
the family of David L. Lorah.



Kevin, Tania, Chris , Zach and families. - March 03, 2024 at
04:02 PM

LR

“ So sorry for your loss! Dave was such a nice coworker and fellow
retiree from Kellogg's. He will be missed. Cherish those memories.

Lancaster Kellogg Retirees - March 02, 2024 at 08:00 PM

JS

*So sorry for your loss. Dave was such a nice coworker at Kelloggs and
he always had a smile on his face. I know he will be missed. Janet
Simms*

Janet Simms - March 02, 2024 at 09:57 PM

MM

My condolences to the family. RIP Dave.

Mark Myers - March 03, 2024 at 08:34 AM

KH

*So sad to hear of Dave's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with all
the family. I cherish the memories of the many years we worked
together at Kelloggs. RIP my dear friend! Kathy Herr*

Kathy Herr - March 03, 2024 at 06:04 PM

DB

*Saddened by the news, my heart goes out to the Lorah family. Dave
was always a pleasure to talk to and be around. He left us way too
soon.*

Dave Bush - March 04, 2024 at 08:25 AM



“ 83 files added to the album LifeTributes



The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc - March 01, 2024 at 02:14 PM



“ Karen L. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David L. Lorah.

Karen L. - February 29, 2024 at 11:02 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of David L. Lorah.



February 29, 2024 at 11:02 AM