



Henry C. "Chief" Connelly

March 21, 1958 - October 2, 2021

Henry C. "Chief" Connelly, 63, of Anderson, passed away on October 2, 2021, at the Select Specialty Hospital Indianapolis. He was born on March 21, 1958, in Anderson to James and Ora (Tipton) Connelly.

Henry graduated from Highland High School, where he was a drum major, in 1976. Following graduation, Henry enlisted in the United States Navy and graduated from the Armed Forces School of Music, Norfolk, VA. In his 22 years in the Navy, Henry traveled and lived in places such as Newport, RI, Virginia Beach, VA, New Orleans, LA, the Great Lakes Region of Illinois, and was dedicated to music both in the Navy and outside of it. Henry had the honor of conducting at the White House.

After Henry retired, he became a large part of the Central Indiana music scene. Henry played in many area bands, including PowerTrain, the Gene Deer Blues Band, Nuthin' Fancy, and many more.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his siblings, Jim Connelly, Mary Jane Connelly, and Julie Connelly, and his nephew, John Robertson.

Henry is survived by his wife, Sharon, Anderson; his daughters, Sara Hawk (Gary), Anderson, and Jean Connelly, Anderson; his step-son, Kaleb Giddens (Rachael), Anderson; his grandchildren, Levi, Ian, Jaspar, Lillie, Karson, and

Quinn; and his niece Cassandra Robertson (Brett), Anderson; and his nephew, Shiloh Robertson (Karley), Anderson; and numerous nieces, nephews, and many long-time friends.

Visitation will be on Friday, October 8 from 1:00 - 4:00 P.M. at Loose Funeral Homes & Crematory, 200 W. 53rd Street, Anderson, with a celebration of life service at 4:00 P.M.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Indiana Special Olympics of Madison County.

www.loosecares.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 8. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Loose Funeral Homes & Crematory
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Anderson, IN 46013
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Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall



“ *Loose Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Henry C. "Chief" Connelly*



Loose Funeral Home - October 05, 2021 at 05:29 PM



Nice video tribute

Roger Ockomon - October 09, 2021 at 01:22 PM

TJ

“ *We are so sorry to learn of Henry's passing. While we have not seen him much since high school, we have such fond memories of him in band. Your family is in our thoughts.*
Dan and Teresa Joyce

Teresa Joyce - October 08, 2021 at 04:45 PM

TB

“ *Tag Grunden & Carol Taylor Blackmon purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Henry C. "Chief" Connelly.*



Tag Grunden & Carol Taylor Blackmon - October 06, 2021 at 08:21 PM



“ 104 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Loose Funeral Home - October 05, 2021 at 05:27 PM

BS

“ *Rest well, my friend...*

Bruce Swafford - October 05, 2021 at 09:16 AM

PL

“ *Rest in Peace Music Man, remembering our high school days, Class of 76, May God comfort your family and friends enduring your loss, Until we meet again*

Patty Mills Lee - October 05, 2021 at 08:41 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Henry C. "Chief" Connelly.*



October 04, 2021 at 08:32 PM

HC

“ Henry was one of my favorite students. As a junior high beginner learning to play tuba, Henry quickly progressed and by his senior year of high school, he gave an outstanding performance of the Vaughan-Williams Concerto for Tuba. He was respectful, loyal and very ambitious as a student of music. It is truly an honor for me to teach Henry. My condolences to his family and many friends who share our grief together. Dr. Hugh A. Callison, Director of Bands, Highland High School, 1969-1977

Hugh Callison - October 04, 2021 at 07:52 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Henry C. "Chief" Connelly.



October 04, 2021 at 07:32 PM

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“ Rest.on peace brother

Roger Ockomon - October 04, 2021 at 06:55 PM

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