



Walter E. Kruegel

July 22, 1961 - October 12, 2025

Walter E. Kruegel passed away on October 12th, 2025, after a courageous two-year-long battle fighting Pancreatic Cancer. Walt was a man who believed in God, followed Jesus Christ's model, was generous, funny, thoughtful, and lived his life as fully as he could.

Walt was born on July 22, 1961. He had a loving family and a life full of exploration. He traveled to many states and countries, was an Army Veteran, jumped out of airplanes, mined and prospected, found treasure, dived this world's oceans, climbed mountains, and loved dogs and children. Walt's generosity knew no bounds; his humor and gift of creativity touched our world and our lives. His family will tell you that if Walt was known for anything, it was his quirky ability to bring laughter and fun to life. Walt, to any stranger, soon would be a friend.

Walt's pride stemmed from his many accomplishments, and later, as he gained wisdom, Walt became most proud of his children, Joshua Kruegel, Jacob (Jen) Kruegel, Danielle (RJ) Vukovich, Wally Kruegel, and Parker Kruegel, and his five grandchildren: Josie, Jayna, Veyda, Jett, and Vinny. Walt will be deeply missed by his family, including his children, his wife Kamiah, step-son Robert, and his brother Christopher and his brother's wife, Patricia.

A private Celebration of Life will be held in Walter Kruegel's memory at Dodds

Funeral Home in Carrollton, Ohio. The family requests donations be made in Walter Kruegel's name to the Tunnel to Towers Foundation or to St. Jude's in lieu of flowers.

Tribute Wall



“ *May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,

May your memories of Walter E. Kruegel, give you peace, comfort and strength...

Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete.
I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom.
You will not be forgotten...
My thoughts
and prayers to the family of

US Army Veteran, Walter E. Kruegel, is “A True American Hero”
God Bless†

† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13 †*

Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum - October 17, 2025 at 04:24 AM

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“ *Wally,
I remember our youth days playing baseball together. Going to Pittsburgh Pirate games. Playing basketball. Going to miss you, especially since you relocated back east and thought we could relive those days again. See you again someday my friend.*

Mike Holisky

Mike Holisky - October 16, 2025 at 11:34 AM