



Jeffrey J. Bester

May 21, 1964 - October 5, 2025

Jeffrey J. Bester, 61, of Butler, passed away peacefully on Sunday, October 5, 2025, at his favorite place-his camp in Wilcox, PA, in Elk County.

He was born on May 21, 1964, in Grove City, the son of the late Joseph E. Bester and Wilda Jane (Christy) Bester.

He was a graduate of Butler High School, continued his education at Butler County Community College, and went on to earn a bachelor's degree from Slippery Rock University.

Jeff worked for many years as the head of maintenance at AGR International.

He loved spending time at camp with Deb, and their two beloved dogs, Sadie May and Honey Bell. Surrounded by nature, friends, and camp buddies, it was the place he loved most.

Jeff is survived by his life partner, Debbie Gaul of Butler; his sister, Janet (Steve) Cumberland of West Sunbury; his brother, Jim (Diane Sutara) Bester of Upper Burrell; stepson, TJ Gaul of Washington; nephew, Justin (Katie) Cumberland of Fairview; and several cousins.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his aunt and uncle,

Bud and Louise Bester, who raised him.

Friends will be received at Young Funeral Home, Ltd., 127 W. Jefferson St., Butler, on Wednesday, October 8, 2025, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. and again from 5:00 p.m. until the time of the funeral service at 7:00 p.m.

Private burial will take place at West Sunbury Union Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

West Sunbury Union Cemetery

West Sunbury, PA

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 8. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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Butler, PA 16003
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Visitation

OCT 8. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Service

OCT 8. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Jeff was a genuine good person, glad to have had the pleasure knowing him and also as a friend. Our deepest thoughts, prayers, and condolences to all the family.

Pat and Gina Mohn

Pat Mohn - October 08, 2025 at 10:59 PM



“ Janet and families,
Prayers to all family members and friends. So very sorry.

Debbie Dunkle - October 08, 2025 at 03:26 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Jeffrey J. Bester.



October 08, 2025 at 11:39 AM



“ Janet, Steve Cumberland and Family, Jim and Diane Bester

You have our deepest condolences. We're keeping you all in our thoughts and prayers.

John and Lynn Bester

John and Lynn Bester - October 08, 2025 at 10:05 AM

GF

“ Our dear Fester Bester... We love you and we miss you so much already! To Deb and his family, we are so sorry and saddened by this monumental loss! Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Our Fester pal and Grant's lifetime buddy, we'll see you and remember you in our Montana mountains.

Grant and Melissa Rider and family - October 07, 2025 at 08:41 PM

BC

“ Dear Deb, I am so sorry for your loss, my thoughts and prayers are with you.

Bernadette Czzowitz - October 07, 2025 at 09:38 AM

JG

“ Janet, Steve, Justin Cumberland and Jim Bester

*Condolences to your families after hearing about Jeff passing away. You are in our thoughts at this difficult time.
Michael and Tracy Bester and family
Judy (Bester) Gaggini (Mike's mom)*

Judy Gaggini - October 07, 2025 at 03:47 AM