



Wayne A. Yeisley Sr

June 24, 1947 - December 16, 2025

Wayne Allen Yeisley. Sr., 78, of Roseto, Pennsylvania, passed away peacefully on December 16, 2025, surrounded by his family, following a courageous battle with cancer and diabetes.

Born in 1947 in Easton, Pennsylvania, he was the son of the late Arthur and Josephine (Mammana)Yeisley. Wayne was a graduate of Wilson Area High School, Class of 1965. Following graduation, he enlisted in the United States Air Force where he was personally awarded an Air Force Commendation Medal by General William Westmoreland during the Vietnam War for maintaining his and General William Momyer's electric generators during the 1968 Tet Offensive at Tan Son Nhut Air Force Base in Saigon. Until very recently, he was extensively involved in honoring his fellow military brothers who passed before him by being a part of The Roseto American Legion Honor Guard.

Wayne was employed by the Metropolitan Edison company for 31 years as an electrician, maintenance worker, map worker, and welder before retiring in 2001 due to disability. He was a wrestling coach for The Little Royals wrestling team at the former Pius X High School, where he took pride in coaching his two sons, Wayne and Darren, and his nephew, Kevin.

He was married to his devoted wife, Lucille M. (Fragano), for 57 years. Together, they raised four children.

Wayne will be remembered for his rare gift of being able to strike up a conversation with anyone he met, always making friends easily. He was also

willing to lend a helping hand to anyone in need, friend, family, or stranger. He spent many years enjoying his hobby of buying and restoring antique cars, attending many car shows through the years, where he won awards for his meticulous auto work. When he wasn't in his garage, he could be found on various sports fields attending his children's and grandchildren's sporting events as their #1 fan. His favorite places to be were in his home or the homes of his children, spending time with his family.

Wayne is survived by his wife, his children, Lanette (Patrick) Gilluly, Darren (Jessica) Yeisley, and Jennifer (Jeffrey) Steele. He is predeceased by his son, Wayne Allen Yeisley, Jr. He is also survived by his grandchildren, Haley, Paige, Havyn, Patrick Wayne, Harper, Hannah, Mason, Mya, Hayes, Rya, and DQ, great-granddaughter, Finley, nephew, Kevin, sisters-in-law, Loretta (Gary) Miller, and Brenda (Albert) Stout, aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, and nephews. He will also be missed by his little Yorkie buddy, Leo.

In addition to his parents and son, Wayne was predeceased by his sister, Phyllis Strawn.

A Memorial Gathering will be held from 9:00-11:00 a.m. on Saturday, January 3, 2025, with services at 11:00 AM at Fiore Funeral Home, 230 Market St., Bangor, PA 18013. Burial with Military Honors will be in the New Mt. Carmel Cemetery, Roseto, PA.

Instead of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Wayne's name to St. Jude's Children's Hospital (www.stjude.org) or Donate Life America (donatelife.net).

Previous Events

Memorial Gathering

JAN 3. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Fiore Funeral Home
230 Market Street
Bangor, PA 18013

Memorial Service

JAN 3. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I have many good memories with Wayne and Lucille. Our friendship has been since we met in Aviano, Italy in 1968. My husband and I shared a relationship as family. Our Sons were both born at Vicenza Army base just two weeks apart. We traveled together all around during our tour. My Husband Frank challenged him to a swim at Barchis, water was cold but Wayne did not know that. Frank said” hey Wayne, last one in is a rotten egg” Wayne was first in as my husband knew Wayne wanted to be first in everything, Wayne let out a curdling scream as I remember it Lucille and I laughed hysterically. So many good times were had. Frank called him often after returning to the states. Frank was a good friend to Wayne and his fellow Air Force buddies. When you see Frank in heaven tell Frank I miss him and I will always be only his love. God speed Wayne. And say hello to our buddy Bowen. ❤️😊🙏

Deborah Fais - January 05 at 08:25 PM

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“ -- purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Wayne A. Yeisley Sr.



-- - December 29, 2025 at 02:19 PM

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“ I grew up knowing Wayne, and his sister Phyllis, he was always a sweet guy, you will be missed, my condolences to your family, rest in peace.

Roseann((McCloughan)Graver

Roseann Graver - December 21, 2025 at 09:15 PM

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“A Vietnam Veteran has passed away today.” Wayne, you stand relieved from your post. A job well done fellow Vietnam Veteran. We all are grateful for your stepping up to the plate when your country needed you the most. America thanks you for your service to our country in the defense of freedom. The final volley has sounded and taps is about to begin, ending a successful career as a nation’s defender. Have a smooth flight airman.

Robert J. Miklas, USN - December 20, 2025 at 03:02 PM

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Jessica Burley - December 20, 2025 at 03:01 PM



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Hannah Steele - December 20, 2025 at 12:28 PM