



## David L. Knoblock

August 7, 1940 - January 13, 2024

David "Knobby" L. Knoblock, 83 of Rockford; formerly of Lisle; went to be with his Lord and Savior on January 13, 2024. Born August 7, 1940 in Chicago; son of Frank and Louise (Moses) Knoblock Sr. . Attended Lisle Community High School. Served in the United States Air Force as a Missile Tech in Bitburg, Germany from January 1960 to December 1964, where he met the love of his life, Britt-Marie Eima Graslie; they were united in marriage on December 5, 1964 at First Baptist Church of Downers Grove. In his early married years, he was a volunteer EMT for the Lisle Fire Protection District for 15 years. David was an Electrician and a member of IBEW Local 134. He was employed at the University of Illinois at Chicago, where he accepted greater levels of responsibility; retiring as a Telecommunications Engineer. Upon his retirement he moved with his wife to Rockford, where they found their church home at First Evangelical Free Church, where he was an active member. Additionally, he was a volunteer for Gideons International, where he served as the Camp Treasurer. He was a member of the American Legion Robert C.A. Carlson Post 1207 in Rockford. He volunteered for Habitat for Humanity, and was a volunteer coordinator for By Design Visuals, a place where he wore many hats. He was a talented golfer, who enjoyed keeping the scores and statistics for the league in his Excel spreadsheet. David was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother and friend. He loved Jesus and was a true example of His love here on earth; he had a big heart, warm demeanor, and true affection for others. He was the first one to say yes when a need or

crisis came up. David was a meticulous and skilled woodworker and craftsman, he enjoyed tinkering and fixing things around the house, and assisting his children and grandchildren with their projects. Survived by children; Beth-Ann (Keith) Kinton, Jennifer Knoblock, Cindy Knoblock; grandchildren, Ashley Knoblock, Taylor (Matthew Hardin) Rachwal, Emilie Jurcak; sister, Cathryn Vincent; nieces, Vicki (Luciano) Guerra, Susan (Kelly) Keech; numerous great-nieces and great-nephews. Preceded in death by his wife, parents, brother and sister-in-law Frank and Mary Knoblock Jr.; nephew, Christopher Knoblock; brother-in-law, Warren Vincent. Visitation Saturday, January 20, 2024 from 9:30 -10:45 a.m. at First Free Church, 2223 N. Mulford, Rockford; followed by a funeral service at 11:00 a.m. Pastor Chuck Rife will officiate. Live stream of the service can be viewed here: <https://my.gather.app/remember/david-knoblock> Interment in Clarendon Hills Cemetery, 6900 S. Cass Ave. Darien, IL on Monday, January 22, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to By Design Visuals: <https://bydesignvisuals.org/> in his memory or Gideons International: <https://www.gideons.org/donate> Grace Funeral & Cremation Services is assisting the family. Share a memory or condolence at [www.graceFH.com](http://www.graceFH.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 20. 9:30 AM - 10:45 AM (CT)

First Evangelical Free Church  
2223 N Mulford Rd  
Rockford, IL 61107

## Funeral Service

JAN 20. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

First Evangelical Free Church  
2223 N Mulford Rd  
Rockford, IL 61107

## Graveside Service

JAN 22. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Clarendon Hills Cemetery  
6900 S. Cass Ave.  
Darien, IL

# Tribute Wall



“ Grace Funeral & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of David L. Knoblock



Grace Funeral & Cremation Services - January 20, 2024 at 10:22 AM

HF

“ Hung Ta & family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David L. Knoblock.

Hung Ta & family - January 19, 2024 at 08:19 PM

HF

“ Hung Ta & family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of David L. Knoblock.



Hung Ta & family - January 19, 2024 at 08:19 PM

RR

“ Ron and Libby Robertson purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of David L. Knoblock.



Ron and Libby Robertson - January 19, 2024 at 11:01 AM

RR

“ Ron and Libby Robertson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David L. Knoblock.

Ron and Libby Robertson - January 19, 2024 at 11:01 AM

FC

“ From Kevin Colichio planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David L. Knoblock.

From Kevin Colichio - January 18, 2024 at 11:18 PM

FC

“ From Kevin Colichio purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of David L. Knoblock.



From Kevin Colichio - January 18, 2024 at 11:18 PM



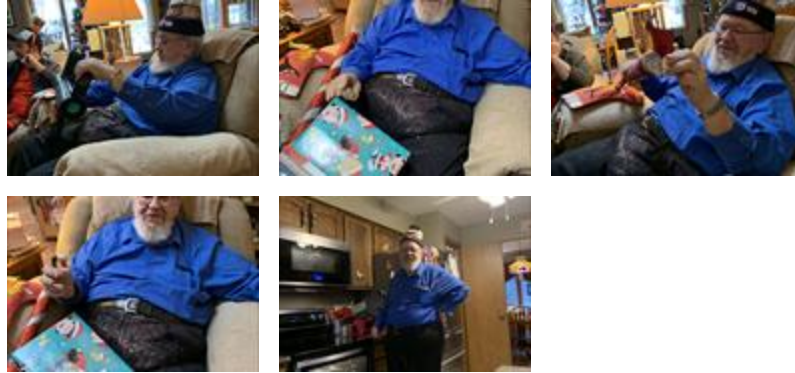
“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of David L. Knoblock.



January 18, 2024 at 11:26 AM



“ *Papa at Christmas trying to vacuum all the glitter from my mom’s presents off his clothes.*



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**Ashley Knoblock** - January 17, 2024 at 07:01 PM

RN

“ *Knobby was a valued member of our Rockford Gideon Camp. I was blessed to serve with him for many years, and always appreciated his willingness to serve, his wonderfully calm demeanor, and professionalism. I was also blessed to have associated with him in his work at By Design. He will be greatly missed.*

*Randy Nicholson  
Rockford Gideon Camp Chaplain*

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**Randall Nicholson** - January 17, 2024 at 05:50 PM

DK

“ *Beth Ann, Jennifer, Cindy. We are so sorry to hear of David’s passing. I have so many fond memories of working with your dad doing various projects at First Baptist. I learned so much from him. Your family is in our prayers. David & Lisa Kerr*

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**David Kerr** - January 17, 2024 at 01:39 PM

KF

“ Kitty & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David L. Knoblock.

Kitty & Family - January 17, 2024 at 12:08 PM

KF

“ Kitty & Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of David L. Knoblock.



Kitty & Family - January 17, 2024 at 12:08 PM

JW

“ I never actually met David but, having working with Jenny for what's quickly approaching a decade and a half, I feel like I know him to some extent through stories she's shared and I appreciate that he was a really good man.

Jenny, I'd like to send my deepest heartfelt condolences to you and your family. May God grant you all some serenity during this difficult time.

- Jim Witek

Jim Witek - January 17, 2024 at 11:52 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of David L. Knoblock.



January 17, 2024 at 10:35 AM

PL

“ Phoenix Business Solutions LLC planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David L. Knoblock.

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Phoenix Business Solutions LLC - January 17, 2024 at 10:35 AM