

Clifford E. Sands

March 22, 1963 - June 14, 2014

Visitation for Clifford E. Sands, 51, of Kankakee, will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, west Kankakee, where funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday. The Rev. Barbara Lohrbach will officiate. Burial will be in Mound Grove Gardens of Memory, Kankakee. Memorials may be made to the family. He passed away Saturday (June 14, 2014) at his home.

Mr. Sands was a salesman for Jays for 13 years. He was born March 22, 1963, in Kankakee, the son of Dale and Marlene Strohecker Sands. He was an umpire for 37 years for area Little League, PONY League and high school ball. He umpired for the Senior League World Series in Bangor, Maine, in 2013. He also was a local bowler who had four 300 games and one 800 series.

Surviving are his wife, the former Wanda Crider, of Kankakee, whom he married April 26, 1988; three sons, Cliff "C.J." Sands, Thomas "Tommy" Sands (Samantha Murray), and Michael Joslin, all of Kankakee; two daughters Carrie Joslin, of Bradley, and Michelle Joslin, of Mount Vernon; five grandchildren; four brothers, Allen "Al" (Kathy) Sands, of Bettendorf, Iowa, Curtis (Susan) Sands, of Clifton, Joseph "Joe" (Dianne) Sands, and Mark (Connie) Sands, all of Kankakee; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Larry and Terry Sands; and father-in-law, Leroy Crider.

Cemetery Details

Mound Grove Gardens Cemetery

1000 N. Greenwood
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 933-6726

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 18. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Kankakee - Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home
1480 W. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Funeral Service

JUN 19. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

LV

“ *Lorna Young Vinson lit a candle in memory of Clifford E. Sands*



Lorna Young Vinson - June 19, 2014 at 10:51 AM

LV

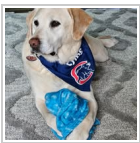
Yellow - - Joy, Friendship, Jealousy, Hope and Freedom. All the Sands boys were/are gentlemen. Their mother did an awesome job. May she rest in peace and may her reunion with yet another son be joyful. Peace to those who've lost him. Remember ... you'll meet up again and oh, what a wonderful reunion that will be. - - Lorna

Lorna Young Vinson - June 19, 2014 at 10:53 AM

RK

“ *My Deepest Sympathy to Cliff's family. He will be greatly missed.*
Rob Klenzak

Rob Klenzak - June 18, 2014 at 05:18 PM



“ *Barbara Dams lit a candle in memory of Clifford E. Sands*



Barbara Dams - June 18, 2014 at 03:47 PM

DM

“A good man, gone too soon.” Cliff was a kind & very hard working guy whose love for the sport of baseball & bowling was clearly seen by all who knew him. He sure enjoyed the planning of the surprise wedding anniversary for his lovely wife Wanda. We feel the pain of the entire Sands family! Our prayers & condolences to all of you.
Eddie & Deb Maher

Deb Maher - June 18, 2014 at 03:26 PM

MM

“ Thank You Cliff for your love of baseball!! Can't remember how many times you umpired My son's games!! And Thank You Wanda for always lifting me up through the loss of my brother Ray & my husband George! I Love Great People & you both are a prime example.. May Our Good Lord keep you Cliff in His Loving Arms & Console your family with His Loving Heart! God's Blessings to All of You.??

mary mcgrath - June 18, 2014 at 01:09 PM

PD

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Peggy Dabbs - June 18, 2014 at 10:41 AM



“ *Cindy lit a candle in memory of Clifford E. Sands*



Cindy - June 17, 2014 at 07:30 PM



“ *I spent many years working various baseball levels with Cliff before moving from the area. He was always there to lend a helping hand, cover your back, and go the extra mile for his partners. I'll always look back fondly on those years and will say that the area and baseball lost a great person.*

Scott Kukuck - June 17, 2014 at 06:02 PM



“ *June Breckenridge lit a candle in memory of Clifford E. Sands*



June Breckenridge - June 17, 2014 at 05:21 PM



“ *The Sands Family was always integrated into the entire Kankakee area, for as long as I can remember. I went to school with Cliff and some of the other family members, and will always remember him as the gentle giant. Rest in peace, my friend ~*

Jeff Satterwhite - June 17, 2014 at 04:54 PM

FM

“ Knew him from bowling and as a route man for Jays Chips . Our deepest sympathy to his family and friends as he was a great man .

Fred,Linda,& Eric Mancuso

Fred & Eric Mancuso - June 17, 2014 at 04:15 PM



“ He is one of my best uncles I have had. I love you uncle Cliff. Praying for all my family. Megan

Megan Minter - June 17, 2014 at 03:37 PM

TM

“ Tom Mallaney lit a candle in memory of Clifford E. Sands



Tom Mallaney - June 17, 2014 at 01:59 PM

SW

“ Condolences to the family and friends of Cliff Sands. I've spent many days talking Little League, bowling and family with Wanda, I've bowled with Mark and Curt, my children bowl with and consider Tommy and Samantha good friends. I never went on the bowling trips that Cliff did with some of his bowling buddies, but I know from hearing the stories that any of us would have had fun being there. Those of you that went have cherished memories! Cliff had a voice that let you know if he was in the bowling alley, and we'll miss that. But he had a presence as a friend, as a fan of bowling, and as a family man that will be missed the most. Our prayers and support go to all who read this and are remembering and missing Cliff. Scott, Carol, AJ, Allie, Alec and Adam Weedon

scott weedon - June 17, 2014 at 09:21 AM

SH

“ Sarah Hoffman lit a candle in memory of Clifford E. Sands



Sarah Hoffman - June 16, 2014 at 06:35 PM

SH

Sorry to hear of the loss of Cliff.
To the Sands family:
Praying for friends to comfort you, faith to uphold you, and loving memories to heal your heart.

Sarah Hoffman - June 16, 2014 at 06:39 PM

HT

Kathy and I considered Cliff a good friend, we are both saddened for your loss as well as all those that knew him. may our Lord give you comfort at this time, we pray for Cliff and all his family. Harold and Kathy Tosh

harold tosh - June 16, 2014 at 10:07 PM

SA

“ You will truly be missed all the memories where to start you and your family are great friends and inspirational people kate chasing you and loving you on Adams watching you get mad and throw a bike cuz it was part of your therapy :-) the birthday drinks the full moon has a different t meaning now you was are and will always be a great man love you cliffy and my heart and prayers to all of the sands family

samantha - June 16, 2014 at 04:34 PM

RO

“ I will truly miss you my grumpy old friend. We had many laughs together. Love to the Sands family

Rosemary - June 16, 2014 at 03:36 PM