



## Dave Lahners

January 14, 1952 - February 14, 2015

Dave Lahners, 63, of Bourbonnais passed away on February 14, 2015 at Presence St. Mary's Hospital Emergency Room. He was born on January 14, 1952 in Kankakee to Ed and Zilphy (Normandin) Lahners. Dave married Carol Wascher on August 14, 1971 at Our Savior Lutheran Church.

Dave worked at Kmart distribution center in Manteno for 20 years. He was also the owner/operator of Dave's Vacuum in Bourbonnais for 42 years. He was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church. Dave was a "Mr. Fix-it" around the house and enjoyed fixing computers, watching old movies and television shows, and spending time with his family.

He is survived by his wife Carol of Bourbonnais; one son Daniel and Jennifer Lahners of Bourbonnais; one daughter Kristina Rockert of Bourbonnais; two grandsons Koltin Rockert and Dawson Rockert of Bourbonnais; six sisters Nance and Al Ivie of Phoenix, Arizona, Bonnie Stutz of Bradley, Kay and John Moore of Bradley, Debbie and Roland Lima of Bradley, Patty and Bob Sisk of Aroma Park and Mary and Kevin Beever of Bourbonnais; three brothers Tom and Kay Lahners of Bradley, Ed and Carol Lahners of Bourbonnais and Jerry Lahners of Bradley; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation will be held Thursday, February 19, 2015 from 4-8:00 p.m. at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais. Funeral service will be held on Friday, February 20, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Kankakee with a visitation from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the church. Pastor

Karl Koeppen will officiate. Burial will follow at All Saints Cemetery in Bourbonnais. Memorials may be made to St. Paul Lutheran Church. Please sign his guestbook at [www.clancygernon.com](http://www.clancygernon.com)

# Cemetery Details

## All Saints Cemetery

1839 W. Route 102  
Bourbonnais, IL 60914  
(815) 933-2342

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 19. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.  
295 Main St., NW  
Bourbonnais, IL 60914  
(815) 932-1214  
cgfuneral@gmail.com

## Visitation

FEB 20. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Paul Lutheran Church  
348 E. Merchant  
Kankakee, IL 60901  
(815) 932-0312  
<http://www.stpaulslutheran.net>

## Funeral Service

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FEB **20**. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Paul Lutheran Church  
348 E. Merchant  
Kankakee, IL 60901  
(815) 932-0312  
<http://www.stpaulslutheran.net>

# Tribute Wall

JR

“ *Jesse Rodriguez lit a candle in memory of Dave Lahners*



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**Jesse Rodriguez** - March 03, 2015 at 07:42 AM

JR

*i'm so sorry for Dan.*

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**Jesse Rodriguez** - March 03, 2015 at 07:43 AM

JH

“ *Bonnie,  
I am so sorry to see David has passed away. It's been a long time but you never forget the neighborhood kids. I don't live in Illinois but my family lets me know (sometimes late as you can see) when something happens in good old Bradley. My condolences, Joyce (Helgeson) Hines*

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**Joyce hines** - March 01, 2015 at 05:23 PM

MJ

“ *Carol,*

*I was shocked and saddened to hear of Dave's passing. You guys were a great pair from day one. Please accept my sincere condolences and know that my prayers are with you and your family.*

*Mona*

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**Mona Jones** - February 26, 2015 at 06:54 PM

MM

“*Kristina and family,  
SO sorry to hear about your dad. I didn't realize Dave was your dad until I read the paper. He was our "vacuum man" for nearly 40 years! What a great guy, who will be missed in many ways. ( I took care of Dawson in the nursery at College Church....fond memories. Saw the pictures...can't believe how old your boys are now!) You are in our prayers! Sincerely, Marilyn Myers*

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**Marilyn Myers** - February 24, 2015 at 07:25 PM

BS

“*Dear Carole and family,  
We were so sorry to hear about Dave's passing. Our prayers and sympathy are with all of you during this difficult time. Love, The Roland Soucie Family*



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**barb soucie** - February 21, 2015 at 10:56 PM

MP

“*Dave was such a caring, nice person. Always used to take my vacuum there and chat with him. Plus he took a new vacuum to my mom when we were unable to pick it up. He would go out of his way for you. He loved his family too. I remember him talking of them as he was working on ordering parts for my vacuum. He will be truly missed.  
Marla and Tom Pietruszka  
Muffy Stamper*



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**marla pietruszka** - February 21, 2015 at 01:03 PM

BS

“ To my brother. i will miss you. Had lots of great memory growing up. Wish I would have seen more of you. Always loved the special hugs. Prayers go out to Carol and family. Your sister Bonnie Stutz.

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**Bonnie Stutz** - February 20, 2015 at 10:23 PM

CD

“ I am sooooo truly sorry. I had just found out today or I would had been at his service. Dave is one of the nicest guys I had ever met... I had hung out at his house with Mary and Patty way back when in high school and Dave has been keeping my vacuum cleaner running since 1985.. You all are in my prayers.

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**Crystal Thompson Diepeveen** - February 20, 2015 at 01:34 PM

DG

“ Denise Gomez sent a virtual gift in memory of Dave Lahnners



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**Denise Gomez** - February 19, 2015 at 05:01 PM

AN

“ My condolences to the family. I remember playing with Dave when we were growing up always loved going over to his house never a dull moment

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**Albert Normandin** - February 19, 2015 at 10:43 AM

SS

“ *Wishing you peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your hearts.*

*Sheryl Weddell Sutherland*

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**Sheryl Weddell Sutherland** - February 18, 2015 at 08:53 PM

SS

“ *Sheryl Weddell Sutherland lit a candle in memory of Dave Lahners*



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**Sheryl Weddell Sutherland** - February 18, 2015 at 08:47 PM

LS

“ *We are so very sorry to hear about Dave. We are sending our love and prayers from Florida to Carol and all the family. Linda and Paul Schreck*

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**Linda Schreck** - February 18, 2015 at 05:32 PM

CU

“ *Carol And Doug Undewood lit a candle in memory of Dave Lahners*



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**Carol and Doug Undewood** - February 18, 2015 at 02:19 PM

CU

*Our heartfelt sympathy to the Lahners family. We send prayers and condolences to Carol and her family for strength in this time of personal tragedy and loss.*

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**Carol and Doug Undewood** - February 18, 2015 at 02:21 PM

DH

*Carol I just saw that Dave passed. He was a wonderful guy both personally and in his business. He always said hi when he saw me. Please accept our hearth felt sympathy and condolences. Our prayers and thoughts are with you. Dave and Bernadette*

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**David Hansing** - February 23, 2015 at 12:47 PM

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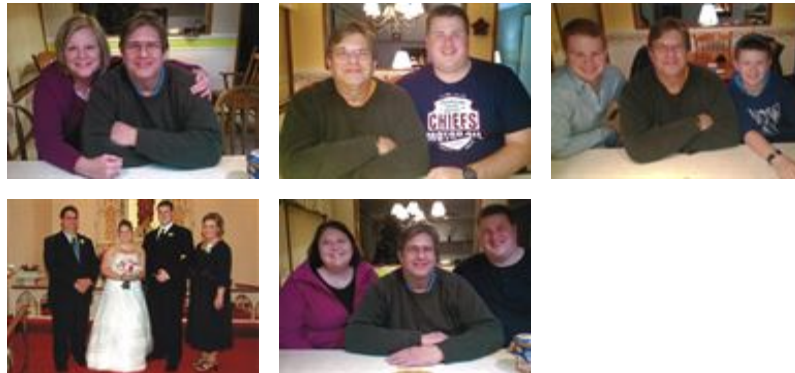
“*Dear Dave, Carol & family, I am so very sorry to hear this tragic news about Dave. I worked with Dave at Filter Queen & then on to Dave's Vacuum. Always enjoyed his fun & laughter & his Spiritual side. He was an Awesome, Caring Boss to me! We never had an argument, ever! Dave, you always made me laugh & I will hold this dear to my heart forever! May Our Good Lord give you all the Peace, Love & Joy you so very much Deserve! Rest Peacefully Now & Thank You again for always lifting up my soul! God Bless You, Carol & your Beautiful Children..*

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**Mary McGrath** - February 18, 2015 at 01:16 PM



“ 39 files added to the album Life Tributes



Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes - February 18, 2015 at 11:05 AM

BR

“ My sympathy goes out to Carol and family. I have known Dave and grew up with Dave and Ernie as part of the old Grand street group since our grade school days. Lots of good memories and was looking forward to getting back together at class reunion in Sept. My prayers go out to the family!!!



Bob Rice - February 17, 2015 at 08:40 PM

BG

“ To the LAHNER FAMILY....I am so very,very saddened by your loss of Dave. I first met Dave in 1984 at his store in Bourbonnais, looking for a reconditioned vacuum.I bought one he recommended and still have to this day. I just saw Dave on Mon. Feb. 9 to look at problem with another machine This is tragic that such a sweet and kind man as Dave is taken from those who knew him. He was a good person.....May he rest in peace and Eternal Light Shine Upon Him.. ((HUGS)) to you all . Brian Grady

Brian Grady - February 17, 2015 at 07:38 PM

BH

“ Carol and family, it's been some time since we've seen each other but our days as teenagers were always exciting and fun. You and Dave were always so perfect for each other. I cannot express my deepest sympathy for you and your families as you all face this tragic loss.

*May God keep you embraced as he has embraced Dave.....God be with you all!*

*Barb Hood*

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**Barbara Hood** - February 17, 2015 at 05:41 PM

DC

“ Delaina Caise lit a candle in memory of Dave Lahners



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**Delaina Caise** - February 17, 2015 at 04:31 PM

CV

“ Carol & Family - I am so sorry for your loss of Dave. I hope all of your wonderful memories of him will get you through this difficult time. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

*Chris Vaughn*

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**Chris Vaughn** - February 17, 2015 at 01:33 PM

RH

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Lahners family. May God comfort you and be with you at this time over the loss of you're loved one. Rick, Stacy,Brandi and Trisha Harris

Rick Harris - February 17, 2015 at 01:01 PM

LM

“ Linda L Mcgrath lit a candle in memory of Dave Lahners



linda l mcgrath - February 17, 2015 at 12:38 PM

RO

“ Roberta Olson lit a candle in memory of Dave Lahners



Roberta Olson - February 17, 2015 at 10:42 AM

LN

“ Carol and family..... My very deepest sympathy . What a sad loss for everyone !! Such a kind,loving and special guy ! I haven't seen you guys for a while but always think of you as a terrific couple and great match !!! Dave and I were buddies in high school..... The " Ernie,etc. gang" (a much different meaning in the old days !!!!). Sending tons of hugs ,prayers and loving thoughts.....Lori Naese

lori naese - February 17, 2015 at 09:29 AM

MI

“ Carol, Kris & Danny - May beautiful memories of Dave help to ease your pain. He was certainly there for you - always so calm and kind. We had many good times around the campfires in your yard and at your pool. Tucked the kids in bed after they wore themselves out and listen to the baby monitors for a peep. Ran many a mile between the houses. You have left a calming mark on this world. May your cushion be soft in heaven for your kindness and gentle personality. God Bless all of you.

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**Mileen** - February 17, 2015 at 09:04 AM

AD

“ When I was young, Dave would host campfires in his backyard. I have fond memories of sitting in the dark and listening to the stores of the neighbors in attendance. Those seem so distant now, but they were always something to look forward to on a Saturday night, and are a set of memories I will hopefully one day replicate with campfires of my own. So thank you Dave, may you rest in peace.

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**Adam** - February 16, 2015 at 11:25 PM



“ Dave was the sweetest guy and best next door neighbor. Always so welcoming to us. I will surely miss our talks. We would take a break from mowing our lawns, just sitting on our tractors to talk about everything, from the crazy weather, to landscaping, or our kids. I will also miss his smiling face and friendly waves each and every day. My heart is breaking for you Carol. May God hold you close always. I will keep you and your family in my prayers as you deeply mourn the loss of your beloved husband and best friend. My most sincere condolences to you and your family 🥹🥹  
Your Chippewa Neighbors, Sherry & Perry Denault

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**Sherry Denault** - February 16, 2015 at 10:57 PM

NI

“ We will miss him so much! I'm so happy I got to talk to him on his birthday, and I got to tell him I loved him.  
I pray that his family will feel the love and support of all his siblings and friends.  
Rest in peace my dear brother!

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**Nancy , AI, William Ivie** - February 16, 2015 at 05:58 PM

PW

“ My sincere sympathy to the entire family. Dave was an honest man that you could ask questions about your vacuum and get an honest answer. So sorry for your loss and the entire community.

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**Pat Watson-Billadeau** - February 16, 2015 at 05:25 PM