



## Dennis Charles Bossinger

October 24, 1941 - June 8, 2024

Dennis Charles Bossinger, age 82, of Peoria, AZ passed away Saturday, June 8, 2024. He was born October 24, 1941 in Hammond, IN, the son of Charles & Rita (Dillon) Bossinger. Dennis married Cynthia LaVoie on May 17, 1985.

Dennis worked in public education for 38 years at many levels from teacher, coach, Dean of Students, Business Manager, and leaving as Superintendent at Bradley Bourbonnais Community High School. He was a graduate of Bishop Noll High School, Eastern Illinois University, University of Illinois and Illinois State. Dennis was an avid runner, golfer, and you could say he was a true sport nut. He volunteered at many organizations in Kankakee County, including Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club, the Elks, and the Moose.

Surviving are his wife, Cynthia Bossinger of Peoria, AZ; his children, Angela (Paul) Martino of Elmhurst and Timothy (Beth) Bossinger of Colorado Springs, CO; stepchildren, Shawn (Tabitha) Ayres of Murphysboro and Bryan (Nicole) Ayres of Peoria, AZ; brothers, William Bossinger of Schererville, IN and Mark (Vivian) Bossinger of Venice, FL; one sister, Mary Ellen Kozanda of Schererville, IN; sisters-in-law, Helen Jean Bossinger of Schererville, IN, Kathy LaVoie of Bourbonnais, Brenda (Jim) Groth of Sachse, TX, Kristine (Gary) Schmitz of Bronston, KY, Sandra (John) Maguire of Bourbonnais, and Jodi (Tim) Ryan of Bourbonnais; brother-in-law, Kurt (Mary) LaVoie of Bourbonnais; and grandchildren, Lucas Bossinger, Jake Bossinger, Annaliese

Bossinger, Brock Bossinger, all of CO, Jack Martino, Francesca Martino, Will Martino, Gryphon (Kimberly) Ayres, Verity Ayres, Tillie Ayres, Allie Ayres, Juju Ayres, Chivy Ayres, Iggy Ayres, all of IL, Chloe Ayres of TX, and Ruby Ayres of AZ. Dennis is preceded in death by his parents; his children, David and Melissa; one brother, Lawrence Bossinger; brother-in-law, Gregory LaVoie; and father and mother-in-law, Lloyd & Lorraine Ruder LaVoie.

Visitation will be held from 4-8 on Monday, June 17, 2024 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, June 18, 2024 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Bradley. Cremation rites will be accorded following the Mass. Inurnment will be held at All Saints Cemetery in Bourbonnais at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made online to [BBCHSAcademicFoundation.org](http://BBCHSAcademicFoundation.org) or [Donorschoice.org](http://Donorschoice.org).

# Cemetery Details

## All Saints Cemetery

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 17. 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

## Funeral Mass

JUN 18. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church  
211 N. Center Street  
Bradley, IL 60915  
(815) 939-3573  
<http://www.stjosephbradley.org>

# Tribute Wall

LL

“ I Remeber Mr. Bossinger very well. He was so young, then. i felt he was very understanding about student matters. He would ask,when are graduating? After I refused to sit in hole,because it was not my crowd.Hes like ,just go to class. Mades me laugh.



**liz lowe** - March 12 at 01:16 PM

KG

“ I had the pleasure of working closely with Denny during the years I served as superintendent of the Kankakee School District. We talked regularly about issues we were dealing with in our respective districts, and I valued his sound advice, his terrific sense of humor, and his honesty. He always wanted the best for his family, his students, and his community. My sincere sympathy to his family.  
Kay Green

**Kay Green** - June 27, 2024 at 08:28 AM

JC

“ Cindy,  
I'm so sorry for your loss. Denny was a great brother in law, a great friend and mentor. I loved talking sports with him and enjoyed his company and companionship in running and family activities. What a great guy to share time with!

**Jack Chaplinski** - June 20, 2024 at 03:59 PM

MR

“ I remember Mr. Bossinger as a principle at BBCHS. Many of us respected him greatly. Some students knew him more as they were always assigned to the "Hole" for in-school suspensions. Those were good times at BBCHS.

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**Mike Ratcliff** - June 20, 2024 at 03:07 PM

LN

“ From being my Economic Teacher in High School to good friends of Denny and Cindy... he will be very sadly missed by everyone who knew him! A truly great man! Heaven just gained another wonderful guy. Cindy... know and treasure your time and memories with “the best”. Love and hugs, Jerry and Lori

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**Lori Naese** - June 17, 2024 at 08:13 PM

SM

“ Cindy, may our Lord guide and heal you and your family through this journey of grief knowing Dennis free from pain. We will miss seeing Dennis with you at 7:00am Mass on Sunday morning. Love and friendship Steve & Nancy March

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**Stephen March** - June 16, 2024 at 02:00 AM

MJ

“ To Cindy and Denny's family I send my condolences to you. May you find comfort in God and each other during this sensitive time.  
Marla Janz

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**Marla Janz** - June 15, 2024 at 09:32 AM

BP

“ Cindy and family: I am sending my deepest sympathy to each of you. I am so sorry I can't be there for the funeral but my thoughts and prayers are with you. God Bless

Barbara Phillips - June 14, 2024 at 04:12 PM

NR

“ RIP Mr Bossinger. Awesome teacher



Nancy Beckner Ruel - June 12, 2024 at 06:54 PM

KS

“ We will miss Denny's smiling face at mass. I know he is smiling now as he enjoys the promises of the King he followed. Christ's peace to the family as you celebrate his life.  
Kate, Larry, Maria and Sam Schmidt  
Peoria, AZ

Kate Schmidt - June 12, 2024 at 04:42 PM

DB

“ Rest in peace Mr. Bossinger

Dennis & Beth Bisailon - June 12, 2024 at 03:20 PM

KE

“ You will be truly missed. Rest in peace Mr. Bossinger.

Kelly - June 12, 2024 at 02:57 PM

CH

“ *Rest In Peace Mr. Bossinger*



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**Chris Page Huffman** - June 12, 2024 at 01:12 PM

DD

“ *Dennis Dunlavey lit a candle in memory of Dennis Charles Bossinger*



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**Dennis Dunlavey** - June 12, 2024 at 11:42 AM

BF

“ *I remember Dennis as being the youngest and trying very hard to be like his older brothers, thus, being everywhere they were! Marktown was a great place to grow up and the Bossinger's played a big role in my growing up there. May he rest in peace and my peace come to the family in time.  
God bless you all.*

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**Betty Faller-Pearson** - June 12, 2024 at 11:27 AM

JB

“ *Janet Boudreau-Johnson lit a candle in memory of Dennis Charles Bossinger*



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**Janet Boudreau-Johnson** - June 11, 2024 at 09:45 PM

TH

“ Tracey Houde lit a candle in memory of  
Dennis Charles Bossinger



Tracey Houde - June 11, 2024 at 08:50 PM

TE

“ Tim And Connie Eaker lit a candle in memory  
of Dennis Charles Bossinger



Tim and Connie Eaker - June 11, 2024 at 06:04 PM

BG

“ Our hearts are broken as we say good bye to our brother in law who  
was a big part of our life. We will miss you. Heaven has received a  
man of kindness.

Brenda and Jim Groth - June 11, 2024 at 04:45 PM

BG

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of Dennis Charles Bossinger



Brenda and Jim Groth - June 11, 2024 at 04:36 PM