



## Dr. Donald E Krause

November 16, 1955 - December 2, 2024

Donald E. Krause, DDS, age 69 of Bourbonnais, passed away on Monday, December 2, 2024, at his home following a brief illness. He was born November 16, 1955, at St. Mary's Hospital, Kankakee, the son of Walter and June Krause.

Dr. Krause opened a private dental practice in Kankakee in 1982. He retired in 2023, after serving the community and his patients for over 40 years.

Dr. Krause was a 1973 graduate of Westview High School in Kankakee and a 1977 graduate of Illinois Wesleyan University. He completed his professional education at Northwestern University earning his dental degree in 1982.

Dr. Krause was a member of College Church of the Nazarene, Bourbonnais. He performed missionary dental work on multiple occasions in the Galapagos Islands serving children and involved in charitable work for all those in need.

Surviving is his wife, Delores of Bourbonnais; one son, Ryan Krause, two daughters and son-in-law, Emily Krause, Dr. Laurie (Hymie) Gauthier; one brother and sister-in-law, Dr. David (Rebecca) Krause of Bourbonnais; and three grandchildren.

Dr. Krause is preceded in death by his parents; and one son, Andrew Krause.

Dr. Krause was a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity, the Kiwanis Club of Kankakee, the Kankakee County Dental Society, and the American Dental Association.

Dr. Krause was an attending staff member at Presence St. Mary's Hospital and Riverside Medical Center, both of Kankakee.

Visitation will be from 9:00 a.m. until the 11:00 a.m. service on Friday, December 6, 2024, at College Church of the Nazarene, Bourbonnais. Cremation rites will be accorded following the service. Arrangements are by Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Bourbonnais. Memorials may be made to family wishes.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 6. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

College Church of the Nazarene  
200 University Ave.  
Bourbonnais, IL  
(815) 933-7749  
<http://www.collegechurch.org/>

## Funeral Service

DEC 6. 11:00 AM (CT)

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200 University Ave.  
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# Tribute Wall

JL

“ Don and I were close friends as students at Northwestern Dental and beyond after I moved back east to MA. A kind and genuine man I enjoyed sharing Chicago memories with until late Aug this year. My Christmas text went unanswered and today New Years I read the sad news. God bless you DK, sorry Florida didn't happen in retirement with the wife you so loved. Thanks for all

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**Jim Lindsay** - January 01, 2025 at 11:05 AM

JL

“ My deepest sympathies to Don's family and friends. My brother, Dr. Bruce LaCoste and Don shared an office space for many years. After Bruce retired, Don was kind enough to take me on as a patient. He was an excellent dentist and kind friend. I was so saddened to hear of his passing. May he rest in peace.

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**Julie LaCoste** - December 08, 2024 at 09:25 PM

AC

“ What a kind soul he was. My condolences. 😭

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**araminta crump** - December 08, 2024 at 11:19 AM

TT

“ I was introduced to Dr. krause when he was attempting to pledge at Tau Kappa Epsilon and had gone through rush. It was time for the Fraternity brothers to vote on who to accept and I was given the job of posting the names on a chalk board. Don's brother Dave was already a member and it was a unanimous vote to have Don join us as a pledge. My writing was never my strong suit and I wrote Don k on the board with the K close to Don and Bob Ware an older member came in and asked who is Donk? From then on he was no longer Don but was Donk. His good nature allowed him to accept it with no animosity. He was an asset to our fraternity and was always serving the public which he carried on throughout life. He was as unselfish a person as you could find and a quite leader. God has a new soldier that will serve him well and will be a guardian angel to all. Hopefully we will meet in the here after and Dr. Don will post my name for God to vote to accept me and Don can take a little revenge if he wishes then but probably won't. God bless Delores and the entire family.

Ted Teschner - December 04, 2024 at 10:08 PM

BE

There are people you meet at seasons in your life who are just there for that season and yet are influences that stay with you forever. Don was one of those at IWU and though we lost contact thoughts of him always invoke good thoughts and wonderful memories. I will treasure mine of him as I'm sure all who knew him will as well. My condolences.  
Bill Embry

Bill Embry - December 06, 2024 at 08:03 PM

RM

“ My condolences to the family and friends!!!  
My experiences will always be appreciated!!  
My he rest in peace 🕊️



Rosetta Mason - December 04, 2024 at 09:27 PM

LS

“ I was a patient for over 35 years. Saddened with his retirement and heart broken that he only had a year to enjoy it. A good person and true family dentist. Condolences for his family  
May he rest in peace

Laurie Schade - December 04, 2024 at 06:19 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Dr. Donald E Krause.



December 04, 2024 at 05:50 PM

MM

“ Dr Krause was my dentist since he took over Dr. Perry Taylor's practice. Good person an always went the extra mile to make sure my teeth were good. My deepest sympathy for the family! Marty Martin

Marty Martin - December 04, 2024 at 05:41 PM

BM

“ Deepest sympathy to Kayhawk David and to all of Don's family and friends, from Don's Kayhawk family on Facebook. Prayers for family and friends.

Bill Maass - December 04, 2024 at 11:51 AM

RE

“ I was a patient for many years. I have missed him since he closed his practice. I am so sorry to learn he did not get much time to enjoy his retirement. He certainly earned it.

Rebecca - December 04, 2024 at 10:24 AM

GB

“ I was a patient for years we shared stories of experiences with Dr petruzzelli and considered close friend ❤️ May he rest in peace 🙏



Gloria Bydalek - December 04, 2024 at 10:10 AM