



Duane Louis Boyd

July 25, 1931 - June 2, 2021

Duane Louis Boyd, age 89, of Kankakee, passed away on Wednesday, June 2, 2021 at Miller Healthcare in Kankakee. He was born on July 25, 1931 in Buckingham, the son of Louis and Dora (Arthur) Boyd. He married Anna Mae Bolatto on July 28, 1951 at St. Margaret Mary Church in Herscher.

Duane graduated from Herscher High School in 1950. He was a veteran of the National Guard. He retired as a lineman, troubleman, and crew-leader from Com Ed in 1989 after being employed there for 39 years. He was a 70 year member of IBEW. Duane loved farming on the family farm in Buckingham. He also enjoyed John Deere tractors. He was a member of the Green Club and the Moose Lodge 802. Duane liked reading farm journals and also read the Daily Journal from cover to cover every day. He loved animals, especially the family dog, Joe. He was a member of St. John Paul II Catholic Church and formerly a member of St. Rose Catholic Church.

Survivors include his wife of nearly 70 years, Anna Mae Boyd; a daughter & son-in-law, Linda & Mark Messerle of Kankakee; a son, Ronald Boyd of Buckingham; and 5 grandchildren, Cherise (Tony) Ostrowski, Courtney (Juan) Robles, Ryan (Kristin) Boyd, Keith (Ashley) Boyd, & Kevin (Leanne) Boyd; 8 great-grandchildren, Travis Ostrowski, Trenton Acevedo, Taylor Ostrowski, Dylan Acevedo, Isaiah Robles, Ensley Boyd, Emma Boyd, & Aidan Boyd. Surviving are a brother, William (Paula) Boyd of Concord, North Carolina; two

sisters, Betty Davis of Palatine, and Patricia Fisher of Kankakee; brother-in-law, Robert (Vicki) Bolatto of Campus; along with numerous nieces and nephews and cousins.

Preceding Duane in death were his parents, Louis and Dora Boyd; in-laws, Peter and Anna Bolatto; daughter-in-law, Frieda Boyd; brother, Leon Boyd; brothers-in-law, James Fisher, Edward Davis, & Frank Pullman; and sister-in-law, Dorothy Pullman.

Visitation will be held from 12:00 pm until 3:00 pm on Sunday, June 6, 2021 at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home in Kankakee. The Funeral Mass will be at 10:00 am on Monday, June 7, 2021 at St. Rose Catholic Church in Kankakee. Rev. Charles Wheeler will celebrate the Mass. Please wear a face mask and practice social distancing guidelines unless you are fully vaccinated. Burial will follow at Grand Prairie Norwegian Lutheran Church Cemetery in Herscher.

Memorials may be made to St. Rose Catholic Church or American Diabetes Association.

Cemetery Details

Grand Prairie Norwegian Lutheran Cemetery

Herscher, IL 60941

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 6. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

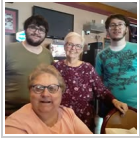
Kankakee - Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home
1480 W. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Funeral Mass

JUN 7. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Rose of Lima Church
486 W. Merchant St.
Kankakee, IL
(815) 933-9391
<http://www.strosekankakee.com/index.htm>

Tribute Wall



“ *MaryAnn Senesac lit a candle in memory of Duane Louis Boyd*



MaryAnn Senesac - June 07, 2021 at 05:16 PM

MC

“ *We are very sorry for your loss. Mac had many good years working with Duane at ComEd. May he rest in peace. Mac and Mary Jane Cleeland, Manteno, IL.*

MJ Cleeland - June 06, 2021 at 10:47 AM

JH

“ *Jack Harvey lit a candle in memory of Duane Louis Boyd*



Jack Harvey - June 05, 2021 at 06:57 PM

LP

“ *We are sorry to learn of Duane's passing. He left a legacy of good memories and a family of whom to be proud. Linda and Bob Pineo (Martin V. Boyd's daughter)*

Linda Pineo - June 05, 2021 at 02:40 PM

KL

“ *Kathy Lott lit a candle in memory of Duane Louis Boyd*



Kathy Lott - June 04, 2021 at 09:51 PM



“ *100 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes - June 04, 2021 at 03:47 PM

NA

“ *Nick/Shirley Africano*



Nick/shirley Africano - June 04, 2021 at 10:06 AM

JU

“ Gpa Boyd it’s a blessing to be a part of your family. You accepted my son and I as part of your family with no hesitation. I will never forget family holidays sitting at the table and talking to you (some our lil secrets😭😭). Thank you for always checking up on me and caring about my health. Our last chat on FaceTime I was telling you that you looked gangsta with your beard grown out😭. You said the razors hurt and pulled your whiskers so you didn’t want to shave. I can only hope one day I can be as accomplished as you were. I promise to continue to take care and love Courtney like I promised you on our wedding day. Thank you for being a great role model to us all. Until we meet up again rest peacefully Gpa!
Juan

Juan - June 03, 2021 at 04:29 PM

KS

“ My deepest sympathy to all the Boyd family. I will always remember the great support that Duane showed for all his grandkids in all their school activities. He was always great to talk to at ALL those games. I remember my father always speaking highly of Duane going way back to his Com Ed days. Thoughts and prayers of comfort to all of you. He definitely will be missed.

Kurt Schlaich

Kurt E Schlaich - June 03, 2021 at 09:27 AM

DT

“ Sorry for your loss, I spent a lot of time with your grandpa at your track meets. I’m not sure he missed many meets or ball games. I remember the 5 gallon bucket he sat on at track meets and recording each of your throws on the bucket. Dave Trent

Dave Trent - June 03, 2021 at 08:57 AM

JF

“ Till we meet again Uncle Duane.

I can now remember the times when I visited you as a child and we talked about tractors, looked at the toy tractors and just enjoyed the day. Thank you for those memories.

I also appreciated your time when I was job hunting and you took my call regarding Ditch Witch. I remembered how you wore a Ditch Witch Hat and during our call you talked about how their machines were used during your time at ComEd.

*Very Respectfully,
Jimmy.*

James Fisher - June 03, 2021 at 08:21 AM

BD

“ So sorry for your loss. Uncle Duane was a great man. The best farmer ever. I remember spending time on the Boyd family farm with him and aunt Anna Mae. Digging potatoes and picking fruit from the trees. One of my best memories was driving His new Combine with him. It was the first time I drove anything. Praying for all the family.

God saw you getting tired
And a cure was not to be.
So He put his arms around
You and whispered, " Come
to me" A golden Heart
stopped beating. Hard
working hands to rest.
God broke our hearts
to prove to us.
He only takes the Best !

Deepest condolences from the Davis family.

Brent Davis - June 02, 2021 at 10:33 PM

CM

“ Sympathy to Anna Mae & family. What a wonderful man. So happy to have known him. Prayers for the family.

Cathie (Sederstrand)Miedema



cathie miedema - June 02, 2021 at 10:04 PM