



Jerry Boudreau

November 14, 1949 - April 26, 2007

Visitation for Jerry Norman Boudreau Sr., 57, of Bourbonnais, will be from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. today at the Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, west Kankakee. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Monday at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Bradley, where he was a member. Entombment will be in All Saints Mausoleum. Memorials may be made to the family wishes or to Hospice of Kankakee Valley. He died Thursday (April 26, 2007) at the home of his daughter and son-in-law in Bradley. Mr. Boudreau was previously employed by General Foods Corporation Pet Foods Division, working in research and development until the company left the area. He also owned a Schlotzsky's Sandwich Shop franchise with his wife and children in the late 1980s. At the time of his death, he was employed by Borg Warner Automotive in Frankfort. He was born Nov. 14, 1949, in Kankakee, the son of Henry A. and Maryrose Bertrand Boudreau. He was a very active member of the Goldwing Road Riders Association of which he held many positions over the past 20 years. He loved spending time with his children and grandchildren. He enjoyed traveling extensively on his Goldwing motorcycle all across the United States and Canada with his wife, Mary; and also with many of his close friends. He enjoyed collecting M&M's memorabilia, several of which were gifts from family and friends who knew of his love for the candy. He will be remembered by those that knew him for his dry sense of humor; how he loved to travel, especially to the mountains; and for the way he was always available to lend a helping hand to anyone. Surviving are his wife, the former Mary Beth Euchner,

whom he married Aug. 24, 1968, at St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church, Kankakee; one daughter and son-in-law, Jeanette "Jeanie" and Stephen "Steve" Luehrs of Bradley; one son and daughter-in-law, Jerry "JR" Jr. and Cheryl (Fritz) Boudreau of South Elgin; two granddaughters, Hannah and Allison Luehrs of Bradley; four brothers and three sisters-in-law, Eldon and Joan Boudreau of St. Anne, Larry and Cindy Boudreau of Bloomington, Roaul and Cyndi Boudreau of Chebanse, Edgar Boudreau of Englewood, Tenn.; one sister and brother-in-law, Shirley and Fred Harrawood of Englewood; brother-in-law, Ronald "Ronnie" and Gay Lee Euchner of Belleville; two sisters-in-law, Juanita "Nita" Stoltz and Richard McCoy of Milwaukee, Wis., Sharon and Charles "Chuck" Boudreau of Sun City, Ariz.; one aunt, Genevieve Frechette of San Dimas, Calif.; many cousins, nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, and great-great-nieces and great-great-nephews. Deceased are his parents; and father-in-law and mother-in-law, Orlan "Euch" and Rosella O'Connor Euchner.



“ I worked with Jerry for many years at the Gaines Research Center. He had a great sense of humor and loved to kid around with everyone.

I extend my deepest sympathy to Mary and family. ĩ½His spirit will live on in your hearts forever.

Sincerely,

Donna Scott###imported-begin###Donna Scott###imported-end##

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“ We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May you find peace knowing he is in a better place. We all need to remember we are God's children and he can take us home anytime. Memories are wonderful and they will always stay close in your heart. God Bless you all.###imported-begin###Jim & Rhonda Davis###imported-end##

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“ ĩ½We are very sorry for your loss and are in our prayers daily.If we can be of any assistance please call.

With deepest sympathy,

Gary & Julie###imported-begin###Gary & Julie Dockemeyer###imported-end##

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“ Mary, I am so sorry for your loss. ĩ½If there is anything I can do for you, please let me know. ĩ½You and your family will be in my prayers.##imported-begin##Kathi Wolfe##imported-end##

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“ Mary,

You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. ĩ½It is time like these when one is reminded of the loss of living so far away from family.##imported-begin##Mary Lou (Bertrand) Boudreau##imported-end##

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“ ĩ½Mary, Jeannie, Jr

 ĩ½I'm so sorry for your loss. I remember many fun times spent at your house.

 ĩ½Jerry is in good hands now he's with my Dad.

 ĩ½God Bless you all,

 ĩ½Madonna##imported-begin##Madonna Bertrand##imported-end##

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“ We are sorry but a previous commitment keeps us from attending Jerry's visitation and service.

Your family has our sympathy for your loss.##imported-begin##Carol and Joe Fritz##imported-end##

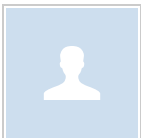
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“ Jerry Boudreau Sr. and *The Man In The Mirror*:
 The following poem references the test we face each day when we must decide on the person we want to be. ⁱ½For Jerry the question was never in doubt. He could always look at *The Man in the Mirror* and never be ashamed.
 He had to approve of what he saw, we know the rest of us did.
 We will never forget him and all the wonderful memories.
 Darrell & Jody Bewsey

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*The Man in the Mirror*  
 When you get what you want in your struggle for self,  
 And the world makes you King for a day,  
 Then go to the mirror and look at yourself,  
 And see what that man has to say.  
 For it isn't your Father, or Mother, or Wife,  
 Who's judgment upon you must pass.  
 The fellow whose verdict counts most in your life  
 Is the person staring back from the glass.  
 He's the fellow to please, never mind all the rest,  
 For he's with you clear up to the end,  
 And you've passed your most difficult test  
 If the man in the glass is your friend.  
 by Dale Wimbrow, 1895-1954  
 ##imported-begin##Darrell & Jody Bewsey##imported-end##

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“ So sorry for your loss. <sup>i</sup>½Will always remember many rides w/the GWRRA and the local group in Kankakee. <sup>i</sup>½Even though we had a Harley we always felt welcome riding with everyone.##imported-begin##Ike & Sheryl Sutherland##imported-end##

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“ Our deepest sympathy, thoughts and prayers are with Mary and her family.##imported-begin##Robert and Larua Callaci##imported-end##

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“ Jerry, We will always remember how bitinglly funny and kind you were at the same time. ĩ ħ½Herman says you helped us "electronically challenged" new riders many times while we tried to learn all the fang-dangled gadgets on our new Goldwing. ĩ ħ½I remember the chocolate cake you were supposed to take home with you, and you were out the door and speeding away before we even knew you had left it for us. ĩ ħ½Like we really needed the calories, Jerry!! ĩ ħ½We remember how much fun it was for us to go along for a ride when you were the lead bike. ĩ ħ½You made every time we spent with you special, and we will always remember you and Mary and how much we loved being with you!! ĩ ħ½Hope you are on your Goldwing now, riding through the sky, just waiting for the rest of us to catch up, still leading the ride. ĩ ħ½We love you and Mary!!##imported-begin##Herman and Joyce Bringle##imported-end##

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“ Mary,<br><br><br><br>I am so sorry for your loss. Whenever you feel sad, just think of all your good memories about Jerry and I'm sure that they will bring a smile to your face. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.<br><br><br><br>Chris Vaughn##imported-begin##Chris Vaughn##imported-end##

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