



Larry L. Bailey

September 6, 1939 - May 23, 2017

Larry L. Bailey, 77, of Kankakee, left this world and entered into the kingdom of our Heavenly Father, with his wife of 32 years at his side on Tuesday (May 23, 2017) at Riverside Medical Center in Kankakee.

He was born Sept. 6, 1939, in Bloomington, the son of Leona "Toni" and Donald Bailey. They moved to Kankakee, where Larry graduated from BBCHS in 1957. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served four years, also serving in the U.S. Air Force.

Larry attended barber college and was a barber in the Chicago area until his stepfather, Vernon "Pete" Stahl, introduced him to iron working and he remained an ironworker for 34 years. He was a member of Ironworker's Local 465. After his retirement, he turned to woodworking. He built all the kitchen cabinets in his home, the decks, put up fencing and also did woodworking jobs for other people. He was very meticulous and did beautiful work.

He met Genice A. Sumrall on Oct. 19, 1983, and they were married on Aug. 12, 1985, at the Kankakee County Courthouse. They went on many trips to Florida to see his mother, sister and stepfather. They enjoyed camping and visited Raccoon Lake and Shelbyville. In 1987, he took his wife on a belated honeymoon to Disney World. They also attended the Kentucky Derby that year. Larry had a vast amount of friends and enjoyed being with "the gang."

Most of his friendships went back 30-40 years.

Surviving are his wife; his sister, Donna Benise, of Monitcello, Ga., a nephew, Tony (Kelly) Benise; nephews, A.J. and Aiden, of Georgia. He is also survived by Thomas J. Brown, who was like a son to him, Noah and Emily Brown (like his grandchildren), Cassandra Stipp (like a daughter). On his wife's side, brothers-in-law, Thomas (Lowell) (Kathy) Sumrall, of Bourbonnais, David Sumrall, of Chebanse, brother-in-law, Robert (Brenda) Sumrall, of Massachusetts; sister-in-law, Beverly Freeman, of Evansville, Ind.; plus many nieces and nephews, great and great-great nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Leona "Toni" Stahl, and stepfather, Vernon "Pete" Stahl.

Larry loved animals and his wife asks in lieu of flowers to make a donation to the ASPCA or the Kankakee Humane Society or any animal shelter of the donor's choice.

A memorial visitation will be held 5:00 - 9:00 on Friday, June 23, 2017 at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home in Kankakee.

He will be greatly missed by many and as he was so fond of saying, "I am worth the price of admission." According to his wife, he indeed was.

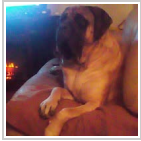
Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

JUN **23**. 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ We already miss you Larry. We've sure had some crazy fun in all the years. I can still hear you say "Run TELL DAVID THAT!" Among other things, your love for animals was how I saw you as a person. You cared. Your love for GENICE was so strong, I think it helped you stay with us a bit longer. You are now at rest and with different friends. Things will be ok now you're with God. We miss you greatly.
All our love Larry
God bless you GENICE
David, sherry, Matthew Rashenskas



Sherry Rashenskas - May 27, 2017 at 09:05 AM

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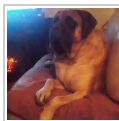
“ Larry was a great guy, he will be missed. Hoping Genise knows she can call on me if ever she might need anything. Chris Buhr

Chris - May 26, 2017 at 02:15 PM

BI

“ TOO BAD, SO SAD. BOB IVEY.

BOB IVEY - May 26, 2017 at 08:23 AM



You're a low class ass bob

Sherry Rashenskas - May 27, 2017 at 08:51 AM

GB

Larry should have killed you and gotten rubbish like you off the face of the Earth. I have tried to forgive you for what you were trying to do to ruin LB and my relationship and everyone else knows. I'm trying to be a good Christian about those hateful words, but even Christians have their limit. You are not half the man Larry Bailey was. May God forgive you.

Genice Bailey - May 27, 2017 at 10:15 AM

SB

Shame on you Bob Ivey. You were never the man Larry Bailey was, you were a drunken waste of skin. You will pay for everything you have said and done when your time comes!

susan Bewsey - May 27, 2017 at 02:55 PM


Michael
Crouse

“ *Larry saved my life actually a couple times when I was a crazy teenage maniac. He was a Wildman with a monster heart. God bless Him and family.*



Michael Crouse - May 25, 2017 at 08:03 PM

SB

“ *You were one of the good guys Larry you would do anything for a friend! Rest easy old man! 🥹💕🙏*

susan and Rick Bewsey - May 25, 2017 at 02:57 PM

MS

“ *RIP, Larry. It was a pleasure to know and work with you. God Bless you and those who know and love you, Mark and Lisa Stipp.*



Mark Stipp - May 25, 2017 at 02:55 PM

DS

I met larry as a small girl.stayed friends til the end.if i was there id a went to see him in the hospital.best wishes to genice.for he will be missed by many in kankakee county

Dena stipp - May 25, 2017 at 03:23 PM

RG

“ *Larry was a one of a kind all around good guy. Played lots of pool and ping pong with him. Bought my very first Pool Cue from Larry when I was 13. He will be missed.. Godspeed to you Larry 🙏🙏🙏*

Rod Girard - May 24, 2017 at 11:36 PM