



Larry Offermann

July 27, 1955 - June 10, 2008

Larry Offermann -- Bourbonnais Visitation for Larry J. Offermann, 52, of Bourbonnais, will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at the Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Friday at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Bradley, where he was a member. The Rev. Tony Nugent will officiate. Burial will be in All Saints Cemetery, Bourbonnais. Memorials may be made to Bishop McNamara High School. He died Tuesday (June 10, 2008). Mr. Offermann was a professional in the floor covering industry for 34 years. He had worked the last 28 years at Floor Covering Associates of Kankakee Inc. in Bradley. He was born July 27, 1955, in Kankakee. He was a 1974 graduate of Bishop McNamara High School. He enjoyed auto racing, boating, snow skiing and slalom waterskiing. Surviving are his wife, the former Ann M. Goggins, of Bourbonnais, whom he married April 26, 1980, at St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church, Kankakee; two sons, Adam J. Offermann of Maui, Hawaii, Drew T. Offermann, attending Southern Illinois University in Carbondale; two sisters and brothers-in-law, Karen and Jeff Senesac of Bourbonnais, Tari and Jon Olszewski of Clifton; one brother, Gary Offermann of Bradley; three half sisters, Tonna and Ross Winks, Nikki and Aaron Fuerst, and Tiffany Offermann; three sisters-in-law and two brothers-in-law, Mary Kay and Randy Morel of Bourbonnais, Fran and Bruce Sparenberg of Remington, Ind., Patricia Dahn of Kankakee; and several nieces and nephews. Deceased are his father, Donald Offermann; his mother, Ardis Dubuque Peterson, who died April 3, 2008; and one brother, Barry.



“ Our deepest and heartfelt sympathy goes out to your family. i½Larry was an amazing person and we will miss him greatly.##imported-begin##Kelly Gaunce##imported-end##

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“ NULL##imported-begin##Paul Vaglica##imported-end##

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“ Larry was a great and respectable businessman with integrity. I always enjoyed running in to him. He always had a smile on his face. He will be missed greatly by many, many people.##imported-begin##Thomas & Paula Harwood##imported-end##

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“ NULL##imported-begin##Karyn L. Fitts##imported-end##

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“ Ann,
Words cannot adequately express the feeling that Maggie and I had when we heard of Larry's death. Larry was an outstanding person and a wonderful friend. I would see him often at the fitness center and our conversation would inevitably lead to family matters. I was always taken by the depth of feeling that he freely expressed for you and your boys. It is not often that you see such feelings lived so well. Larry will always remind me to try to live to that higher standard. Witnessing his funeral today demonstrated that he set that standard for so many others also.##imported-begin##Jim Frogge##imported-end##

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“ Prayers of sympathy and all of God's blessings in your time of such great sorrow.##imported-begin##Pat Edbrooke##imported-end##

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“ I'm very sorry to hear about your loss. Truly a great all around guy. He will be missed.##imported-begin##Paul Vaglica##imported-end##

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“ I was really shocked to hear this news the other night. My prayers go out to Ann and her family. Larry will certainly be missed!##imported-begin##Brian Brave##imported-end##

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“ NULL##imported-begin##Keith T. Lockwood##imported-end##

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“ Ann and family,

We were saddened to hear of your sudden and tragic loss. Larry was a Great Guy and will be missed dearly.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Lake Shelbyville will never be the same!!!!##imported-begin##Jim, Janet, and Connor Marcukaitis##imported-end##

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“ Dear Ann

I am so sorry about Larry. ĩ½My heart goes out to you and your family. ĩ½May you find comfort and strength from God, your family and friends.##imported-begin##Mary Ann Zagorski##imported-end##

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“ Ann and family,

I am so sorry to hear about Larry.

May you find comfort in God and your friends.

You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Tamie##imported-begin##Tamie Wright-Riffell##imported-end##

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“ Ann - - I am so sorry to hear of your tragic, all too soon loss. Words cannot express the heartfelt emotion when one so precious is taken so abruptly and senselessly. May time ease your sorrow and give you peace and may you find comfort in knowing so many are praying for you and your sons during this most difficult time. - Lorna - - Lorna Young Vinson

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“ Dear Ann and Family:
I am so sorry to hear about the sudden and tragic death of your husband. This is where only faith in the God who is holding you in his arms, will get you through each day ahead. I'll be praying for you and your family. With sympathy, Marsha

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“ Ann, Adam & Drew: Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time and in the days ahead. Marty & Gayle Wilder

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“ We are sorry for your loss

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“ Please accept my sympathy for the terrible loss of your husband. *i½*It must have been wonderful to have him in your life.

You are not alone...you are in the comfort of many caring hearts.

##imported-begin##Belinda Balsano##imported-end##

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“ Our prayers are with you Ross and Tonna, Nikki and Aaron and Tiffany and family.##imported-begin##Vernon Campe##imported-end##

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“ I will always remember how great of a person you are. No more sitting behind the piano. You are now sitting in the front row in heaven shinning so bright.I will never forget your smile and your warm heart. The races in July will never be the same. We are now lost without you. Your seat will still be their with your "leomanade". We will all see your smile,your new hat and HAIR! and your beautiful necklace that only you could wear.##imported-begin##Jan##imported-end##

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“ it was so good to remember Larry at the

mac dinner auction.he was having a great time,and anne looked lovely.i will remember them as a couple that loved each other,and took pride in their famiy.the world has lost "one of the good guys"##imported-begin##gretchen I demarah##imported-end##

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“ Our sympathy to all of Larry's family. *½*When one of the boys was a student at Robert Frost Elementary School, I was the secretary. *½*I remember that Larry made all of the children in one of the boy's classes, little wooden Christmas ornaments. *½*A kind man... we are so sorry. *½*##imported-begin##Debi Barrone##imported-end##

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“ Dear Ann, Karen, Gary, and Tari our thoughts and prayers are with you in this time of sorrow. *½*There just aren't words to say what we feel for you and your family.

I'm so glad you all went to Vegas for a family vacation. *½*Tomorrow is promised to nobody and we need to let our family and friends always know how much we love them. *½*You will always have great memories of Larry, I'm just glad to have known him. *½*He was a special person to everyone who knew him. *½*God Bless you all and remember He is with you right now in your need.

Love,

Jim & Chris Buckner##imported-begin##Jim and Chris Buckner##imported-end##

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“ Ann,

My heart goes out to you and your family. *½*I pray for God's grace and strength for you to come through with a sound mind. *½*God bless you and your family.

With Deepest Sympathy,

Anita Winters##imported-begin##Anita P. Winters##imported-end##

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“ One of the "bestest" guys I've ever met! Truly a gentle and kind man
 first carpet layer (probably 33 years ago) and a great job at that! His
 smile will be remembered forever. . .
 Naese##imported-begin##Lori Naese##imported-end##

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“ ANN, ADAM, DREW, FRANNIE & BRUCE, MARY KAY & RANDY
 AND TRISHA & KENNY, LARRY WAS ONE OF
 THE GOOD GUYS! HE WAS SO FRIENDLY AND FUN TO BE
 AROUND. YOU GUYS ARE ALL SUCH A CLOSE AND
 SOCIAL FAMILY AND HE'LL BE GREATLY MISSED. MY LATE
 FATHER RON KREISSLER KNEW LARRY FROM THE FLOORING
 INDUSTRY AND HE ALSO THOUGHT THE WORLD OF HIM.
 YOU'RE ALL IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS.
 TIM, KERRY AND DELANEY KREISSLER
 TIM KREISSLER

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“ Ann -
 You and your family are in my thoughts and
 prayers. May God bless you and comfort you in your loss.
 Casandra Slade

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“ We are both extremely sorry we could not make it in person to extend our condolences. i;½Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you at this most difficult time.

Cheryl and Jim##imported-begin##Jim and Cheryl Denoyer##imported-end##

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“ Our Deepest Sympathy. Larry was a good man and a great friend. We will greatly miss him.##imported-begin##Shaun & Kathi Ronek##imported-end##

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“ Ann and Family

just a note to say that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers during this time.

May Peace come over you in Gods speed

##imported-begin##Janet "Hackney" Martin##imported-end##

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“ Ann and family,

Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this stressful time.##imported-begin##Beulah Pennell##imported-end##

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“ Ann, we were friends for so many years. I never had the chance to meet Larry, but remembering you and knowing what a wonderful person you are, I know Larry must have been a wonderful man. My heart goes out to you and your family.

Pam Martin

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“ During these times, we pause to know the depth of our love for each other. Know that Larry knows your love and take heart in the fact that your family extends beyond even your scope by these lives you have touched by your example of that love. God Bless

Steve Lemner

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“ To You and Your Family With Sympathy

May your memories of the wonderful times you shared with your loved one comfort you and your family in this great loss, today and always.

Toni Castillo

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“ Dear Ann and family,

I was saddened to hear of the tragic death of Larry. I wanted to extend my condolences to you. I was your former neighbor living at 1421 S. Fourth Avenue in Kankakee, and attended Westview High School. I was made aware of this tragedy by Bill Maass. For the past 28 years I have been living in Wisconsin. My heart goes out to you.

May the Lord bless you and keep you, may he keep his eyes upon you and be gracious unto you. Amen

Dan Micha###imported-begin##Dan Micha###imported-end##

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“ Karen, Gary, and Tari,

So much time has passed. ĩ½Our own children are now older than we were when we lived in Marycrest! ĩ½I still have very fond memories of card parties, gatherings and family. ĩ½I can't imagine the pain of losing a brother. ĩ½I do know that there is now one more angel watching over you from heaven. ĩ½I'm sure that Grandma helped to welcome Larry with open arms. ĩ½My thoughts and prayers are with you!###imported-begin##Debbie (Brosseau) Yeazel###imported-end##

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“ I am deeply saddened to hear about your loss. ĩ½Please let me know if there is anything that I or my team can do for you during this difficult time. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you.###imported-begin##Brian Bushnell###imported-end##

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“ *Ann and Family. It is so, tragic. You were all so blessed to have such a loving husband, father, and friend in your life. I know the pain you are feeling too well. Please know that God will carry you through- That is the only thing that will get you through it.

 Blessings and Love ~Cimber Shelby##imported-begin##Cimber D. Shelby##imported-end##*

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“ *My sincere and deepest sympathy for the loss to your family of such a great person. So many memories of the Offermann home and his presence during those younger years. I am truly sorry for your unexpected loss and wish you the best in years to come. Please give my condolences to all the family.##imported-begin##David Black##imported-end##*

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“ *I learned SO much from Larry, He will sadly be missed! God bless you and you family.##imported-begin##Randy Martin##imported-end##*

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“ Ann,Karen,Gary,and Tari,

I am deeply saddened to hear of your tragic loss. You are a wonderful family whose lives I was privileged to share when I was in Illinois. Gary, I think of you,Barry,and Larry every time I see an Indy race.My mind has been flooded with memories these past few weeks of races,boating,cookouts,living next door in Clifton...how fast it all flies bye, how short and sudden it can all end. I am jolted again by the sudden reality which reminds me to live in the moment and not take anything for granted as I was when Barry left us.

I will always remember Larr's smile and soft eyes which were the picture window to the wonderful heart he had that touched everyone he knew.

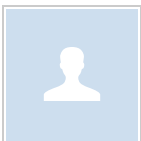
May God and his Angels continue to wrap their huge arms around all of you, and support you.##imported-begin##Jeff LaMie##imported-end##

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“ Dear Ann,Adam & Drew,We just want you all to know that our thoughts and prayers are with you three at this time.Drew,way back when we all hung out,everyone one called your dad"dad".He always watched over all of us,what a fantastic human being he IS!!! knew one day he would be a wonderful father.Keep the beautiful memories in your heart,he is and will forever be right by your side.May the Lord comfort you all with his love,gentleness & peace now and always.Remember Drew,my door is always open for you,I know you know that,Much Love and hugs to all of you,Mary & Gina##imported-begin##Mary Barber##imported-end##

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“ Rest in Peace, my friend.##imported-begin##Billy Bob##imported-end##

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“ NULL##imported-begin##roger schultz##imported-end##

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“ I was so, so sad to hear the news of Larry's untimely passing. Our sincere sympathy goes out to your family. I'll share that many memories came flooding back from the 70's when Larry lived in our neighborhood; Gracefield and use to install pools. Of course those days he ran with the legendary "Famous Pack" that we all looked up to and aspired to be: Larry Offerman, Greg Merrill, Tim Menard, Tim Martin, John Billadeau, Harold Tooper & Nick Bataglia. Till this very day, we all still speak of that famous group of long ago. May you always remember Larry the way that we did...as one of the coolest guys we ever met. Signed, Beaumont & the Boyz##imported-begin##Hugh##imported-end##

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“ Ann & Family, We are so very sorry for your tragic loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with i¿½you at this difficult time.##imported-begin##Benny & Charlene Skeldoon##imported-end##

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“ Ann

I wanted to express my sincere condolences to you and your sons. i¿½You and your family are in my prayers and thoughts.

Jennifer Andree##imported-begin##Jennifer Andree##imported-end##

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“ I am so sorry this tragedy has happened to one of my best friends.
½Being around every member of the Offermann family while growing up was such a pleasure for me. ½I remember your father as such a fun and sweet man and will miss him. ½I love you all. ##imported-begin##Rachel Azzarelli##imported-end##

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“ NULL##imported-begin##Mr & Mrs. Michael Corum##imported-end##

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“ Ann and Family,

I am so sorry to hear about your loss.
½My thoughts and prayers go out to you at this difficult time.

With Deepest Sympathy,

Brenda##imported-begin##Brenda Bokowski##imported-end##

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“ With deepest sympathy on your sudden loss - my prayers are with you. ##imported-begin##Pamela J. (Brooker) Cordes-Redding##imported-end##

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“ Ann & Karen,

While I know you two best, I send my sympathies to Adam, Drew, Tari, Tonna, and all of Larry's family and loved ones in this terrible tragedy. You and all your loved ones are in my thoughts and prayers. I pray that memories, and the love of your friends and community will buoy you in the days ahead.##imported-begin##Becky Wilder##imported-end##

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“ Dear Karen, Ann, and all of Larry's family, We are devastated with the news of Larry's tragic accident. We pray that you may find some comfort knowing he is with God, his parents and brother Barry. May you all be blessed with strength and courage during this most difficult time. With our deepest condolences and prayer, Nancy (Azzarelli) and Mike Delgado##imported-begin##Nancy and Mike Delgado##imported-end##

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“ To Ann and all your family

My thoughts and prayers go out to all of you during this difficult time. May God Bless You and Give You Strength not just today but during all the difficult days ahead. Take comfort in knowing that you will always carry Larry's love in hearts, thoughts and memories forever. ##imported-begin##NULL##imported-end##

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“ I did not know Larry very well, but what I knew of him through our sons was that of a great man, and a wonderful father. ½Also, in working with Ann on various committees, I heard many great stories of their family life, and I know he will be sorely missed. ½My prayers are with the family.##imported-begin##Rick Mackin##imported-end##

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“ Ann, I still can't believe that it was someone I knew in that awful accident.

I pray that God wrap his arms around you and your family in this time of sorrow and pull you close together and remember all the good times together.##imported-begin##Debi (Kinkade) & John Schultz##imported-end##

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“ While I didn't know Larry, I do know he made Ann and his boys happy. What better tribute to a husband and dad than that!!

I'm so sorry for your loss. How I wish it were otherwise. But, in your time of sorrow, there is One who is the God of all comfort, because He gave up His Son to death and knows the depth of your hurt and pain. May His peace be yours.

Know that you are in my heart and prayers!

Love,

Doris##imported-begin##Doris Dippel##imported-end##

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“ Dear Offerman's

My heartfelt sympathy for you all, I just learned today of your tragic loss of such a great person. Many fond memories will always fill my thoughts of sharing time with your family. Please accept my sincere condolences and best wishes for the entire family.

David
David
Black

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“ We don't know the reason why these things happen, only God knows the reason. Thoughts and prayers are with Ann, and the family during this difficult time.

Thecla Rekah

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“ Ann,

I am sorry for your loss. You and your sons are in my prayers.

Kim Matthews

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“ Ann and family -

My deepest and sincere sympathy on your tragic loss. May the Good Lord keep you and your family close to him and give you the comfort you need today and in all the days to come.

I know it must be hard to figure out where God was that morning but I think the promises given to us are for the next world and not this one so i would have to say he was there with tears in his eyes to welcome your husband home to him where you'll be with him again someday along with all the rest of your loved ones. The trick now is how to let your husbands life and not his death define your relationship with him and who you and the children are. Not any easy task but you are a strong woman and I have no doubt you can do it. May the love and memories he gave you help you and your children in the days ahead. Big hugs from an old Southsider friend-###imported-begin##Bill Maass###imported-end##

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“ Our hearts are heavy. Larry will always be in our hearts and our wonderful memories will hopefully sustain us through our grief. Ann, Adam & Drew, we love you and will keep you in our thoughts and prayers.###imported-begin##Jim & Linda Siedle###imported-end##

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“ Ann,

Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your sons. ĩ½I can only pray you keep Larry close to your heart as you go forward. ĩ½Rik and Karen###imported-begin##Karen Johnson###imported-end##

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“ Ann,

I am so sorry for your loss. It was so hard for me to believe when I heard. Seeing you and Larry at Sarah's wedding after so many years had gone by, brought back so many memories of all the crazy things John & Larry used to do! Larry was a "fixture" at our house when we were growing up.

He was a GREAT guy and a very good friend to all of the Billadeaus'

My thoughts and prayers are with you and the boys.##imported-begin##Janet Billadeau Carr##imported-end##

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“ Dear Ann, i½I was so sorry to hear about the sudden death of your husband. i½I'll be praying for you now and in the days to come.

With much sympathy,

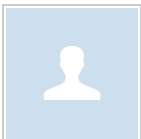
Jennifer##imported-begin##Jennifer Roop Troutman##imported-end##

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“ My deepest sympathy goes out to his family. i½God Bless##imported-begin##Diane (DeCarlo)White##imported-end##

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“ Our deepest condolences and sympathy. Larry was a wonderful man and will be missed my many. i½God bless!##imported-begin##Jaclyn Dugan-Roof##imported-end##

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“ NULL##imported-begin##Scott & Anne Peterson##imported-end##

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“ Dear Ann and Family, Very sorry to hear about Larry. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Very sad.

Sincerely, Scott and Mary Seaton##imported-begin##Scott and Mary Seaton##imported-end##

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“ ANN AND FAMILY- SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS OF A GREAT MAN. GOD DID TAKE A GOOD MAN. HE WILL BE SADLY MISSED. CALL IF IN NEED OF ANYTHING ANN. SHERRY AND JULIEN FROM MEIER BROTHERS TIRE##imported-begin##SHERRY & JULIEN BRZOZNOWSKI##imported-end##

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“ NOTHING CAN BE SAID OUT OF THE NORMAL WHEN YOU HAVE LOST SOMEONE SO SPECIAL! I CAN ONLY ASK FATHER GOD TO CARE FOR ALL OF YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS. LARRY'S KINDNESS AND BEAMING SMILE WILL NEVER LEAVE US!##imported-begin##DANA SUPRENANT##imported-end##

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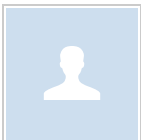
“ To the family: *Words cannot express the sadness & loss that we feel about someone that was taken away way to soon.*
Larry was someone that once you met him you could never forget. You always knew when he walked in a room.
Races will never be the same-there will always be an empty seat in the stands.
Our thought and prayers are with you during this difficult time. He will be greatly missed by all.
##imported-begin##Paul & Donna Mericle##imported-end##

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“ Dear Larry,
Even though I have always argued with Pat that you maded the Bloody Mary's that made me sick in Shelbyville a few years ago I know it was really Randy.
I want to thank you for the kindness you and Ann showed me when I was visitting Pat. You guys always included me with your family even when you were on vacation.
I will always remember you as a fun and caring person. God Bless you and your loved ones.
##imported-begin##Laura Copenbarger##imported-end##

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“ My prayers and thoughts are with Larry's family. I am friends with Kathy Offermann and my parents were good friends of Don's. I remember as a kid, going to their house.
##imported-begin##Linda Barr##imported-end##

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“ I never had the privilege of meeting Larry. However I did have the honor of getting to know his son Adam in college. Adam is one of the most genuine, respectable and kind hearted people I have ever met. That is truly a testament to the type of person I believe his father to have been. I'm sure Adam's good nature has everything to do with the upbringing he had. No doubt the world is now short a wonderful man. Yet this man has left behind a legacy in the remarkable children he has raised with his wife. My love, heart and prayers go out to Adam and his family during this difficult time. A quote that has always helped me through situations like this is "Things seen are temporal. Things unseen are eternal." I hope it will bring you all some comfort.

With deepest sympathy,

Janine Grandsart

##imported-begin##Janine##imported-end##

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“ Ann, I am so sorry to hear of your husband's death. My thoughts are with you and your family. Jim##imported-begin##Jim Hoffman##imported-end##

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