



## Leonard F. "Len" Burgener

September 17, 1944 - May 29, 2019

Leonard F. "Len" Burgener, age 74, of Bourbonnais passed away Wednesday, May 29, 2019 at his home. He was born September 17, 1944 in Monticello, the son of Phillip & Lucille (Nalefski) Burgener. Len married Vicki Zace on August 7, 1982 in Kankakee. Len retired from the Frito Lay company where he worked as a route salesman. He had also been a barber at a shop he owned and operated in Decatur and Mattoon. Len and Vicki also worked as greeters for Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes for many years. Len was a Los Angeles Dodger fan and enjoyed watching major league baseball. Len was a parishioner at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Bradley where he served as a Eucharistic Minister, Altar Server, and worked in Hospitality. Surviving are his wife, Vicki Burgener of Bourbonnais; one son & daughter-in-law, James & Lisa Brickle of Bourbonnais; two daughters and one son-in-law, Laura & Friedemann Stuebing of Dekalb and Julie Burgener & Marc Marion of Dekalb; two grandchildren, Sarah of Kansas and Emily of Dekalb; five sisters and two brothers-in-law, Mary Best of Spring Hill, FL, Lucille Chamberlain of Fremont, OH, Virginia Hannon of Jopling, MO, Theresa Davidson of Peoria, Susanna & Vernon Dargel of Peoria, and Eugene Pollock of Assumption; five brothers and five sisters-in-law, Donald & Ruth Burgener of Little Silver, NJ, Raymond Burgener of Tampa, FL, Barbara Burgener of Lehigh Acres, FL, John & Judy Burgener of Lafayette, TN, Charles & Marsha Burgener of Bement, and Robert & Marcia Burgener of Hammond; many nieces & nephews; many great nieces & nephews; and many great-great nieces and nephews. Len is

preceded in death by his parents; three sisters, Helen (James) Albright, Barbara (Fred) Kisters, and Karol Pollock; one brother, Phillip Burgener; and sisters-in-law & brothers-in-law, Max Best, Linda Burgener, Richard Chamberlain, Tim Davidson, John Hannon, and Beverly Burgener. Cremation rites have been accorded. A memorial visitation will be held from 10 a.m. until the time of the funeral mass at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, June 4, 2019 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Bradley. Inurnment will follow at All Saints Cemetery in Bourbonnais. Memorials may be made to St. Joseph Catholic Church. Arrangements by Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais.

# Cemetery Details

## All Saints Cemetery

1839 W. Route 102  
Bourbonnais, IL 60914  
(815) 933-2342

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

JUN 4. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church  
211 N. Center Street  
Bradley, IL 60915  
(815) 939-3573  
<http://www.stjosephbradley.org>

## Memorial Mass

JUN 4. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church  
211 N. Center Street  
Bradley, IL 60915  
(815) 939-3573  
<http://www.stjosephbradley.org>

# Tribute Wall

DB

“ *Vicky. Im so sorry for your loss. From all the times I saw him at church he was a very kind man. He was always friendly and had a smile on his face. I will say I feel blessed to have met him. God bless you and you are in my prayers.*

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**Dana Byers** - June 04, 2019 at 01:33 PM

VB

*Thank you for your kind words. He indeed had a very warm and welcoming smile.*

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**Vicki Burgener** - June 04, 2019 at 05:50 PM

CR

“ *We are so sorry for your loss, Vicki. It was a pleasure working with Len in the short time that we did. You are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.*  
*Bill and Colleen Regnier*

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**colleen a regnier** - June 02, 2019 at 11:44 AM

VB

*Hi Colleen. Thank you for your kind words. It will be an adjustment for sure. He is not suffering anymore.*

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**Vicki Burgener** - June 02, 2019 at 11:55 AM

MM

“ *I didn't know Len personally, but he was a familiar face at church and at Clancy's. He always had a kind smile on his face. I'm sorry to hear he has been fighting illness for so long. Thank you for your service Len & enjoy your new, pain-free life with our Father in Heaven.*

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**Michelle Meier** - June 01, 2019 at 01:47 PM

VB

*Thank you, Michelle, for your words of encouragement. He fought the good fight, indeed. I will be lost without him, but I will draw strenght frim him and God.*

**Vicki Burgener** - June 01, 2019 at 02:06 PM

LS

“ *Leonard and I went to school together for 12 years. We were both Hammond kids and rode that miserable school bus together to and from school. I had not seen him since graduation night, but I have very fond memories of him. God bless his family.*

**Linda Rivers Smith** - June 01, 2019 at 11:35 AM

VB

*Thank you for sharing this memory of him. Gives me comfort.*

**Vicki Burgener** - June 01, 2019 at 12:01 PM

MR

“ *Marilyn Roy lit a candle in memory of Leonard F. "Len" Burgener*



**Marilyn Roy** - May 31, 2019 at 11:43 PM

MR

*My sympathy to you Vicki, Jim & Lisa at this very difficult time. I always enjoyed joking with Len throughout the years. I know this has been quite a struggle for all of you. May you find peace in knowing that you did so much for him in his care.*

**Marilyn Roy** - May 31, 2019 at 11:51 PM

VB

*Thank you for your friendship. And words of encouragement.*

**Vicki Burgener** - June 01, 2019 at 08:53 AM

JG

“ I am so sorry to hear about Len. He was always a smiling face and a kindhearted friend. My prayers are with you Vicki!

Jerry Gregoire - May 31, 2019 at 09:53 PM

VB

Thank you Jerry. He suffered with this for a long time. Thank you for your words of support.

Vicki Burgener - June 01, 2019 at 08:52 AM

BC

“ Bernie & Shelley Cox lit a candle in memory of Leonard F. "Len" Burgener



Bernie & Shelley Cox - May 31, 2019 at 09:00 PM

VB

Thank you!

Vicki Burgener - May 31, 2019 at 09:26 PM



“ Will always remember Len's warm smile and friendly, gentle manner. Our sincere condolences to his loving family!

Melissa Marcotte - May 30, 2019 at 11:38 PM

VB

Thank you Melissa.

Vicki Burgener - May 31, 2019 at 08:21 AM

VA

*Len, you always will be remembered as a wonderful & caring man. Your special laugh always made me smile. From cutting my hair as a child, and being there when my parents were ill or dying, you have always been there and never be forgotten. Your giving of yourself has touched so many lives, Now you can greet others as they enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Love & prayers to Vickie and all the children.*

Vance - May 31, 2019 at 11:53 AM

VB

*Thank you Vance for your kind words.*

Vicki Burgener - May 31, 2019 at 03:26 PM

 Lena  
Park  
Price

“ *Lena Park Price lit a candle in memory of Leonard F. "Len" Burgener*



Lena Park Price - May 30, 2019 at 10:33 PM

 Lena  
Park  
Price

*Laura and Julie, sending many prayers for healing in this time of loss. Rest in Peace Uncle Lenny. 🌸❤️*

Lena Park Price - May 30, 2019 at 10:35 PM

CM

“ *Always remember your smiling face at St. Joe's 4 o'clock Mass. Keeping your family in my prayers.*



*Cathie Miedema*

Cathie Miedema - May 30, 2019 at 09:46 PM

VB

*Thank you Cathie.*

**Vicki Burgener** - May 31, 2019 at 08:22 AM

TE

“ *Tim And Connie Eaker lit a candle in memory of Leonard F. "Len" Burgener*



**Tim and Connie Eaker** - May 30, 2019 at 08:15 PM

VB

*Thank you.*

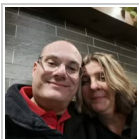
**Vicki Burgener** - May 31, 2019 at 08:22 AM



“ *Lisa Brickle sent a virtual gift in memory of Leonard F. "Len" Burgener*



**Lisa Brickle** - May 30, 2019 at 07:12 PM



“ *I love you Dad and I miss you!!*



**Jim Brickle** - May 30, 2019 at 06:58 PM

AA

“ Alan Luther Ayres lit a candle in memory of Leonard F. "Len" Burgener



Alan Luther Ayres - May 30, 2019 at 05:30 PM

VB

Thank you.

Vicki Burgener - May 30, 2019 at 06:33 PM

BA

“ Barbara Anderson lit a candle in memory of Leonard F. "Len" Burgener



Barbara Anderson - May 30, 2019 at 12:34 PM

BA

So sorry for your loss.

Barbara Anderson - May 30, 2019 at 12:36 PM

VB

Thank you.

Vicki Burgener - May 30, 2019 at 05:12 PM