



Leonard R Chaplinski Sr.

August 11, 1951 - February 22, 2025

Leonard R. Chaplinski Sr., age 73, of Bradley, passed away Saturday, February 22, 2025 at his home.

He was born August 11, 1951 in Kankakee, the son of Joseph & Patricia Splear Chaplinski.

Leonard married Vickie Ford on June 1, 1972 in Kankakee.

He was a retired employee of Sugar Steel Company in Chicago Heights. He had also worked in construction.

Leonard enjoyed camping, fishing, hunting, and spending time with friends and family.

Surviving are his wife, Vickie Chaplinski of Bradley; two sons, John & Linda Chaplinski of Kouts, IN and Leonard "JR" Jr., & Stephanie Chaplinski of Bradley; two daughters, Cassandra Chaplinski of Bradley and Monica Kaack of Grant Park; one sister, Judy Avila of Limestone; three brothers, Jack Chaplinski of Arizona, James "Jim" & Darla Chaplinski of Bradley, and John & Connie Chaplinski of Arizona; seven grandchildren, John Chaplinski, Jacquelyn Chaplinski, Cameron Chaplinski, Payton Chaplinski, Tyler Kaack, Reiley Kaack, Jayden Kaack; and four great-grandchildren.

Leonard is preceded in death by his parents; one sister, Carlotta Buza; one grandson, Jacob Chaplinski; and one granddaughter, Madison Chaplinski.

Visitation will be held 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 25, 2025 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais.

Funeral services will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, February 26, 2025,

also at the funeral home. Deacon Patrick Skelly will officiate the ceremony. Interment will follow at Mt. Calvary Cemetery in Kankakee. In lieu of flowers the family has requested plants and flowers that they will plant in the family garden.

Cemetery Details

Mount Calvary Cemetery

2000 E. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **25**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.
295 Main St., NW
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 932-1214
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Funeral Service

FEB **26**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

RL

“ Had many good times with Lenny at Plato - great family and friend - our condolences to the family. Rick and Shelia Light

Rick Light - February 26, 2025 at 10:25 AM

SE

“ I worked with Leonard for 10 years at the Wastewater Treatment pant, I never met a more hardworking, honest man always willingly to help out. His word met everything to him and he always fought the good fight. RIP Leonard you were one of the good guys.

Scott Ellis - February 26, 2025 at 08:09 AM

JF

“ James E Foy lit a candle in memory of Leonard R Chaplinski Sr.



James E Foy - February 25, 2025 at 03:16 PM

CB

“ So sorry for your loss. Nice that Jack was there at the end. Remember the good times. Vickie stay strong, its a tough road.

Cindy Bossinger (Jacks former s-i-l.)

Cindy Bossinger - February 25, 2025 at 01:15 PM

RP

“ *Sending my deepest Condolences to Leonard and his Family. I used to hang out with Him and his sister Carlotta (God bless her) in our early years. I knew Leonard because My Father Ray Porter and my Uncle Roland (Ronnie) Cappellano were Buddies of his Father Joseph. I was named after my uncle and Joseph commemorating their relationship to my father. May God place his hands upon the entire family to help you heal from your loss. Roland Joesph Porter (Ronnie)*



Roland (RON) Porter - February 25, 2025 at 12:55 PM