

Leonard Glenzinski

January 10, 1953 - February 11, 2008

Leonard Glenzinski -- Kankakee Visitation for Leonard F. "Lenny" Glenzinski, 55, of Kankakee, will be from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at the Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, west Kankakee. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Friday at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, where he was a member. The Rev. John Peeters will officiate. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Bishop McNamara High School or to the American Heart Association. He died Monday (Feb. 11, 2008) in the emergency room at Riverside Medical Center. Mr. Glenzinski was employed for 17 years at Johnson-Downs Construction, where he served as vice president. He was born Jan. 10, 1953, in Kankakee, the son of Eugene R. and Barbara M. Kertzman Glenzinski. He was a graduate of St. Patrick Grade School, Bishop McNamara High School, and attended the Illinois Institute of Technology. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, the Carpenters Local, and Ducks Unlimited. He was a true Packers fan and loved fishing with his brothers and others. He enjoyed football, Wednesdays at the Knights, breakfast with Norah, and above all his family. Surviving are his wife, the former Patricia J. Rivard, whom he married Sept. 30, 1978, at St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church; two daughters and sons-in-law, Katie and Jon Marchetti of Monee, Laura and Adam Janczak of Herscher; one granddaughter, Norah; six brothers and five sisters-in-law, Kenneth and Lori Glenzinski of Morton, John and JoAnn Glenzinski of Santa Fe, N.M. Dennis Glenzinski and his fiancée, Marian Wilkinson of Kankakee, Donald and Sue Glenzinski of Kankakee, Kevin and Angela Shea of

Kankakee, Robert and Jamie Glenzinski of East Peoria; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Omer and Marjorie Rivard of Kankakee; and several nieces and nephews. Welcoming him to eternal life are his parents; one brother, Ron; one sister-in-law, Dingena Glenzinski; and one brother-in-law, Jim Rivard. Lendog, Leo, Dad, Pappy, Polack. We love you and our lives will never be the same without you.

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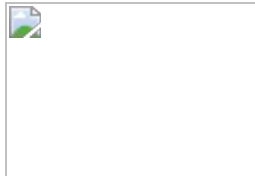
“ Eric lit a candle in memory of Leonard Glenzinski



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“ We are sorry for your loss##imported-begin##Denise & D'Arcy Ballinger##imported-end##

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“ NULL##imported-begin##Bill Faulkner##imported-end##

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“ So sorry to hear of your loss. My heart and prayers goes out to you and your family. I know how it is to lose someone so dear. Hold on to the precious memories, hoping the days get easier.##imported-begin##Nina Williams##imported-end##

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“ Denny and family,

We were so saddened to hear of the passing of your brother. We know what a great loss this is to you and your family.

Even though we are far away, you will keep you close to our hearts this day.

Our deepest sympathy,

Wayne and Cheryl##imported-begin##Wayne and Cheryl Segneri##imported-end##

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“ Although it's difficult today to see beyond the sorrow,

May looking back in memory help comfort you tomorrow.

~Author Unknown

We are sorry about your loss. I know this is a hard time for all of you, Let the memories of him live in all of you forever.##imported-begin##Ryan & Ashley##imported-end##

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“ Katie, my condolences to you and your family. You are in my prayers.##imported-begin##Jessica Canlas##imported-end##

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“ Dear Glenzinski Family,
 I want to extend my deepest sympath
 Lenny was a great guy. He was always smiling and friendly to ever
 My brother, Dale Piggush, is going to miss him greatly. He
 has told me many stories about his high school days with Lenny and th
 boys.
 You are all in my thoughts and prayers during this difficu
 time.

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Glor
 LaGesse##imported-begin##Gloria LaGesse##imported-end##

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“ Well where to begin. Lenny was a great friend and I will always
 remember him from the times we spent together at the Knights of
 Columbus and in the Knights of Columbus golf league.

 I will remember Lenny for being one of the most kind and
 honest people I have ever had the pleasure to meet in life. He would
 always shake your hand and respect you. If we had more people in
 life that lived the way Lenny did, the world would be a much better
 place.

I will miss you Lenny, but someday we will
 see eachother again in Heaven.

Your friend,

 Stephen Ryan##imported-begin##Stephen C.
 Ryan##imported-end##

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“ Katie, you and your family is in my prayer.##imported-begin##Ms.
 Priscilla Ka' McGlaun##imported-end##

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“ My thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Angel Laroche-Born##imported-end##

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“ Patty and family:

Thinking of you during this most difficult time. ĩ½My prayers and thoughts are with you.

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“ Lenny is without a doubt the nicest guy I ever knew and I am a better person because of him. Heaven is a better place because that's where Lenny lives now.##imported-begin##Scott & Cathy Natschke##imported-end##

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“ Universal laws were broken when we lost our dear friend, Lenny. After all, a heart so rich and full simply cannot become ill. Lenny's heart touched everyone he met. One only needed to witness him with Patty, Katie, Laura, and Norah to know that his heart couldn't be happier. The Glenzinski family is Lenny's legacy, one of which he was very proud. Lenny will live on through them and through the memories of everyone he knew, because to know him was indeed to love him. He was like a prairie rose, a subtle rarity one couldn't help but notice and admire. We are thankful we had the chance to share in his beauty. To Patty and his family we express our deepest sorrow and assure you that we will remember him well and often.##imported-begin##Pat and Patti McKenna##imported-end##

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“ Katie:

I'm sorry to hear about Len. He was a great guy. The last time I saw him was at your wedding. He was a very proud and happy man that night.

I extend my condolences to you and your entire family.

##imported-begin##Jim Brimm##imported-end##

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“ Patty and family,

Please accept my deepest sympathy.

I think of Lenny very fondly - he

was a wonderful example of a true

gentleman.

My thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Mary Glenzinski##imported-end##

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“ With our hearts heavy and heads bowed, we send our prayers to you. ĩ½

We truly feel honored for having shared a friendship with such a wonderful man.

God Bless ĩ½

##imported-begin##Todd & Julie Rapp##imported-end##

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“ May God hold you in his arms and help ease the pain of your sad loss.##imported-begin##Mary Thomson##imported-end##

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“ I am very sorry for your loss. I am not sure if you remember me, Patty, I am a friend of your sister, Cathy.

May God bless you during this very difficult time. My prayers are with you and your family.##imported-begin##Tammy Brazill##imported-end##

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“ We are so sorry to hear ĩ½of Lenny's passing ! He is playing with his buddy Dog in heaven !! He was a good man !##imported-begin##Bob & Patty Ferrias##imported-end##

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“ To the entire Glenzinski Family:

Please accept our deepest condolences and sympathy on the loss of your husband and father. ĩ½You are in our thoughts and prayers in this difficult time.##imported-begin##Patricia Smith##imported-end##

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“ NULL##imported-begin##Valerie Robinson##imported-end##

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“ Patty and family,

We were so sorry to hear about Lenny.
ı¿½You have our sympathy. ı¿½We have many good memories of
high school with Lenny. We will keep you in out prayers.

ı¿½Marc and Vicki##imported-begin##Marc and Vicki
Cheffer##imported-end##

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“ Katie and Family, May the Peace of God hold you in his precious
arms at this time I understand your sorrow and pain my heart and
thoughts are with you and your family.##imported-begin##Janice
Jones##imported-end##

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“ Patty and Family,

Our deepest sympathy. Lenny
was such an

extraordinary husband, father, and friend. Our
thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. ı¿½##imported-
begin##Brian and Deb Mayo##imported-end##

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“ Patty,

 ĩ ĩ½I'm so sorry to hear of Len's death. ĩ ĩ½May God bless and keep you. May you know and sense His protection and love for you and your family.

 ĩ ĩ½With much sympathy,

 ĩ ĩ½Craigton and Linda

###imported-begin###Linda Hippenhammer###imported-end###

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“ I want to extend my deepest sympathies. Words can not express how we feel. Our hearts are with you katie and Family. You are in uor thoughts and prayers in these difficults times.

With Love

Sincerely

Gracie B. and Co-workers

UIC Surgery Clinic

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“ When I worked at Security Lumber in the 90's, I had many dealings with Lenny. ĩ ĩ½He was friendly and easy going every time I talked with him. ĩ ĩ½On days when answering the phone could be difficult, it was always a relief when it was his voice on the other end. ĩ ĩ½I am very sorry for his passing.###imported-begin###Curt Benson###imported-end###

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“ Katie,

 ĩ ĩ½ ĩ ĩ½May our Lord Jesus Christ cover you and your family with strength and understanding in this difficult time. My condolences to you and yours.

Mike Hernandez

Bookstacks ;)###imported-begin###Mike Hernandez###imported-end###

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“ To Katie Marchetti: You have our deepest sympathy on the loss of father. ĩ½Our prayers echo out to you and your family.##imported-begin##Joel Sanders##imported-end##

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“ I am sorry to hear of your loss. ĩ½I have been friends with Don, Sue, Jenny, and Gina for years. ĩ½The Glenzinski's and Sue's sister's have been like family to me. ĩ½I think dearly of you all. My thoughts and prayers are with you in this most sad time. ĩ½I am unable to attend the services but I just want you to know I am very sorry for your loss and am thinking of you all. ĩ½God Bless. ĩ½ĩ½##imported-begin##Jennifer KostECKa Kleinert##imported-end##

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“ Dear Katie and family,

I am so very sorry for your loss. ĩ½Not much I say will make you feel any better, but I do hope time will ease the pain. ĩ½Keep Mr. Glenzinski alive in your memories and hearts.

Sincerely,

Fifi Logan ĩ½##imported-begin##Fifi Logan##imported-end##

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“ Please accept my deepest sympathies on the loss of Lenny.
½Although we haven't kept in touch, I still remember tumbling
around with him when I was very young. ½I was able to view the
pictures of Katie's wedding and he looked happy and well. ½His
death has been a shock.

I truly believe there is a reason for
everything that happens and often our grief at a loss keeps us from
seeing it. ½

I hope that you will find comfort in knowing
that Lenny has found a peace we all long for. ½He is watching
over and taking care of all of us just like he always has. ½Let
those memories of love and caring wrap around you as you struggle
to understand.

You all will continue to be in my thoughts
and prayers. ½God bless you all. ½Shelly.##imported-
begin##Shelly Glenzinski##imported-end##

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“ Dear Katie and the Glezinski family,

We share in the loss of
your dad at such an early age. I am sure it was rather sudden and
unexpected. We pray that god will give you all the strength to bear
the grief and at the same time give you all the comfort of knowing
that all the friends' and relatives' lives your dad touched is all the
richer. Katie, you are truly one of the sweetest perons in the world
and hang in there kid. We are both with you all.

##imported-begin##Sai Ramasastry##imported-end##

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“ Dearest Pattie:

Sue and I are sending you our deepest sympathy and prayers may your family and friends keep you close and help you through this very troubled time. Sue and I will keep you and yours in our prayers and may God give you his peace and strength.

Ed and Sue:

##imported-begin##Edwin P. Viglia Jr.##imported-end##

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“ Dear Katie,

I was fortunate i ½to meet your dad on the occasion of your wedding and needless to say, what with the fire and lights out, I figured he was a pretty resourceful guy with a great sense of humor and the luck to have a lovely wife and two super daughters.

I share your grief and know that he's found his his way to the great spirit.

Scottie##imported-begin##Scott Boever##imported-end##

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“ Ken Klipp gave me the news on Tuesday morning that Lenny had died. i ½I was stunned,still am. i ½Attempting to make sense of this tragedy, I spent a good deal of time talking with different McNamara people about Lenny. i ½The term that kept coming up, "great guy", seems to sum up everything about Lenny. i ½I have never known a more caring, loving, thoughtful person. i ½I truly value the time we had together and will always treasure the memories. God's speed, my friend ...##imported-begin##Jim Frogge##imported-end##

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“ I am still reeling from the phone call I received from friends in Kankakee telling me the tragic news. Patty, Katie & Laura, including the entire Glenzinski and Rivard families, please accept my heartfelt condolences. "Ginsk", the nickname I gave him long ago when we were associates at Azzarelli Builders, stuck with us every time we came in contact. He was the epitome of a craftsman and thinking man. His knowledge and expertise made it possible that so many well built buildings in the Kankakee area, including many surrounding communities, will stand for many years. A family man - there was none better. Bishop Mac has lost one of their all-time great fans. The northwest corner of the home stands at Memorial Field has lost a "rock". I will always cherish the last phone call I had with Lenny, just a couple of weeks ago. I will never forget our friendship. I will never forget the special times our families spent together. Ginsk will never be forgotten. Rest in Peace Lenny - you are a great man.##imported-begin##Bruce Barber##imported-end##

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“ We were so surprised to hear this tragic news especially Mallory. She enjoyed being with Norah and loved the boat trips for breakfast with her Pappy. She said today that he was so

"funny and fun" that she would just laugh until she cried. What a wonderful man and he will live in his family because of his love he showed to them and everyone. ĩ ħ½God Bless you Norah and your family.
ĩ ħ½ĩ ħ½##imported-begin##Jodi, Jeff and Mallory Trudeau##imported-end##

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“ Dear Patti, Girls and All of the Glenzinski family,

Our hearts are heavy with sorrow for all of you! i¿½Words
cannot express how we feel about all of you. i¿½We will never
forget the look on all of the Glenzinski's when Tom would walk into
Church and Lenny would look up to make sure the rafters could with
stand the shock. Always a joke between Tom and Lenny! i¿½How
we will cherish the time Lenny made it down to our new home in MO
and fished and laughed and talked about old high-school stories
and his love for his family and friends. i¿½You are in our prayers
during this difficult time. Know that even though we are not there at
this time it makes it even harder being away from family and friends.

All of our Love and Prayers,

Tom and
Rita##imported-begin##Tom and Rita Barrett##imported-end##

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“ Patty, I was shocked when I read in his name in the paper on
Tuesday. I called Cathy but she wasn't home. I never even thought
to call my own cousin Sue to see if he was your Lenny. Cathy would
always keep me informed on Denny when I worked at SuperValu in
Wilmington. I didn't know Lenny personally, just by sight, but
knowing Don and Denny he would have been part of the cream of
the crop with his brothers. May the Spirit of God hold all of you in
arms of quiet rest. May His strength see you through the rough days
that are ahead.

Loving Prayers to all of you.##imported-
begin##Carol Buente##imported-end##

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“ 2/25/08 PLEASE FORWARD TO LEN GLENZINSKI'S FAMILY. THANKS.

What a shock... I just learned of Lenny's death an hour ago. My parents mailed me the Daily Journal notice and I just can't believe it. I remember him as big-haired football wild man in high school, strong as an ox. I played one tackle, he played the other - he was a damned good player and an even better teammate.

What to say about Lenny? He was a bit, um...intense...before our games. I remember coming across him before a home game (junior year? senior?), banging his helmetless head against a locker, psyching himself up for the game. I said, "Lenny, why are you doing that? You're going to hurt yourself." He looked at me, a little trickle of blood on his forehead, and said, "Why the hell aren't YOU banging YOUR head??" So, I did. Man, that hurt!

To all of Lenny's family, please know that I'm praying for him tonight. I last saw him at our 30th reunion in '01. As I was leaving he gave me a big hug and said, "Man, we have to keep in touch." I wish I'd done a better job of that.

God bless you all,

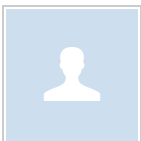
Mark Sloan###imported-begin###Mark Sloan###imported-end##

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“ Katie and Family,

My deepest condolences to you all. I'll remember your dad like it was yesterday. I will keep you all in my thoughts and prayers.

Sincerely,

Susan Slimack###imported-begin###Susan Slimack###imported-end##

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“ My prayers are with your family.

Leshia Zeedyk##imported-begin##Leshia LaRoche-Zeedyk##imported-end##

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“ Dear Patty, I was so saddened to hear from my cousin Sandy on the sudden passing of your husband Lenny. My heart and prayers go out to you Patty and all of your family. Sincerely, Debbie Netherton##imported-begin##Debbie (Klenzak) Netherton##imported-end##

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“ We are think of your family and this sad time. Our prayers are with you.

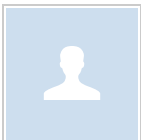
The LaRoche Family##imported-begin##The LaRoche Family##imported-end##

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“ We will miss you, Lenny! You and your family are in my heart, thoughts, and prayers. CO##imported-begin##Christy Ortman##imported-end##

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“ The Glenzinski Family,

I am sorry to hear about your loss. You are in our prayers. I

Sincerely,

Kelly McClain Garvey and family##imported-begin##Kelly McClain Garvey##imported-end##

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“ There aren't words adequate to say what sorrow we will carry in our hearts for the loss of Lenny in our lives. ¶½The twinkle in his eye when he was making fun of you, the smell of his pipe, the rich laughter that he shared so generously with those he cared for, and the warm acceptance that he gave to all he met. ¶½Please know that we will not forget Lenny and our hearts and prayers are with his family who he loved so well. ¶½The great memories we have shall remain and the stories yet to be shared will enrich our lives when we think of him with love and laughs. ¶½Go cheer on your Packers Lenny! ¶½Here's to you.##imported-begin##Rose & Gary Mitchell##imported-end##

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“ Lenny was a wonderful person. We have many fond memories of him from grade school and high school. He was a real friend and gentleman. He will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with Patty and his children and all the Glenzinski family.##imported-begin##Jim Smith & Chris Kranz Smith##imported-end##

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“Patty, Katie, Laura, and Norah

I can not begin to tell you how much I will miss Lenny. Over the last 20 years, Lenny and all his family have become a very special part of my life - Even to the point of becoming the other brother Andi. I will always remember my Friday Night Date Night invites and the fun we had. I hardly ever said good bye to Lenny without him giving me a big hug and saying he loved me. Lenny is the only man I know that could get this Herscher girl to wear a Mac sweatshirt and go to a Mac game and then to Sammy's for more fun.

Lenny will be greatly missed, but he will let us know he is close and watching. Love you, Lenny and will miss you forever.

Anita###imported-begin##Anita Jensen###imported-end##

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“ One week ago today, the Lord called you home to be with him, we still do not know why, maybe someday we will understand. The wonderful memories will last a lifetime. I ½ the Roundhouse and how you were the King of the agitators! Patty and I would end up walking out "acting like we were mad" but we had so much fun... Chicago and Rush Street, just the four of us, you and Patty were not married yet, so we did not stay the night. From having our first born kids together, spending every New Year's Eve together, cookouts, weekend getaways as close as the Holiday Inn 30 miles away, (but we were together and having fun) vacations in Chetek (Len making fun of Mike for not knowing the first thing about fishing), and for just sitting in each other's living room, just catching up on "everything". For the wonderful memories that will last a lifetime, for your unique laugh (Eric was afraid of that laugh when he was a toddler) for all the great agitating to Mike, for all the hugs, the laughter and the tears, for declaring me a genuine "midget",..... You and Patty and the Girls will always be our family,....so rest in peace our gentle giant of a man, for someday we will meet again...##imported-begin##Mike & Mary##imported-end##

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“ Patti and Family I was so sorry to hear of Lenny's passing. He was such a kind man with a great smile. My thoughts are with you all. I ½ I ½ I ½ I ½ ##imported-begin##Kay W. McLaren##imported-end##

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“ The last time I saw Lenny was at Katie's wedding and he was so happy - so excited. He gave me a big, loving bear hug. That's how I will remember him. I really miss him as I write this. Just a truly great guy.##imported-begin##James M. Roy##imported-end##

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“ To All of the G's

Our prayers go out to all of you at this sad time. i ½May the joys and happy memories of the past sustain you in this sad time.

Nick and Shirley Africano##imported-begin##Nick & Shirley Africano##imported-end##

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“ I heard of your sudden loss. i ½I am sorry that I am unable to make the services. i ½With deepest sympathy.

 i ½Valerie Kostecka

 i ½(waitress at Ryan's Pier)##imported-begin##Valerie Kostecka##imported-end##

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“ Dear Norah i am very sorry to hear about your grandpa he was a very nice man. You are a very nice friend to me. I will remember you in my prayers and thoughts. I am very sorry . you help me when I am sad and lonley so now it is my turn to help you. Like I said I am very sorry.##imported-begin##Mallory Trudeau##imported-end##

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