



Martin J. Kuipers

July 14, 1951 - April 17, 2018

Martin J. Kuipers, 66, of Bonfield, passed away on Tuesday, April 17, 2018 at Elmhurst Community Hospital. He was born on July 14, 1951, in Watseka, to William and Alice Corte Kuipers. He married Carol Campen on June 3, 1973 in Benson, IL.

Martin retired from Cognis, having worked as a maintenance planner. He and his wife, Carol, were very involved in NOMADS. He was also involved with ERT (Early Response Team). Martin was a member of the Kankakee Masonic Lodge #389, where he had served as Master. He was also a member of the Scottish Rite Valley of Chicago. Martin was a member of Medinah Shriners, where he had served as a Potentates Aide and Chief Potentates Aide. He was a past President of the Kankakee Shrine Club and also served as Parade Chairman of the Camel Caravan for a number of years. He was very involved with Bonfield Evangelical United Methodist Church, where he served on many committees. Martin was a veteran of the United States Army, having served during the Vietnam War.

Martin is survived by his wife, Carol Kuipers, of Bonfield; one son and one daughter-in-law, John (Michelle) Kuipers, of Clifton; two daughters and two sons-in-law, Barb (Donald) Paetsch, of Herscher and Becky (Christopher) Loyd, of Bradley; six grandchildren, Miranda and McKenzie Paetsch, A.J., Benjamin, and Logan Kuipers, and Mathew Loyd; and two brothers and two

sisters-in-law, Rodger (Eloise) Kuipers, of Bonfield and Donald (Alice) Kuipers, of Texas.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and one brother, William Kuipers.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 pm until 8:00 pm, with a Masonic service at 7:30 pm, on Friday, April 20, 2018 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais. An additional visitation will be held from 9:30 am until the 10:30 am funeral service on Saturday, April 21, 2018 at Bonfield Evangelical United Methodist Church in Bonfield. Rev. Mel Nielsen will officiate. Burial will follow at Bonfield Cemetery in Bonfield.

Memorials may be made to Bonfield Evangelical United Methodist Church or Shriners Hospital.

Cemetery Details

Bonfield Cemetery

Bonfield, IL 60913

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 20. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

Visitation

APR 21. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Bonfield Evangelical United Methodist Church
348 E. Smith
Bonfield, IL

Funeral Service

APR 21. 10:30 AM (CT)

Bonfield Evangelical United Methodist Church
348 E. Smith
Bonfield, IL

Tribute Wall

BP

“ *Billy D. Patton lit a candle in memory of Martin J. Kuipers*



Billy D. Patton - April 25, 2018 at 04:49 PM

CC

“ *Carol and family, my deepest sympathy to you all. So sad to read of Marty's passing.*
Carol Conrad

Carol Conrad - April 20, 2018 at 09:19 PM

BF

Carol and family. - so sorry for you loss! Praying for you and your family. 🦋 *Becky Fischer*

becky Fischer - April 22, 2018 at 10:01 AM



“ *Garden Accent Stone - "Wherever a Beautiful Soul..." was purchased for the family of Martin J. Kuipers.*



April 20, 2018 at 03:46 PM

GL

“ Remember our Happy boating times old friend. Our love and heartfelt sympathy to Carol, kids, and entire family.

Gary & Lois Warner


Gary & Lois - April 19, 2018 at 09:31 PM

MC

“ Marc Christensen lit a candle in memory of Martin J. Kuipers



Marc Christensen - April 19, 2018 at 06:11 PM

 Kris Denault

“ Kris Denault lit a candle in memory of Martin J. Kuipers



Kris Denault - April 18, 2018 at 08:03 PM

KS

“ He was my third big brother. I've loved him since I was 10 years old. Marty was one of the best people I know. I think God called him because he needed a few things fixed. Probably grandpa said he knew a wonderful guy for the job. ❤️

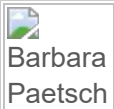
Kim

Kim Schrader - April 18, 2018 at 08:03 PM

JH

“ WE HAD A LOT OF GREAT TIMES TOGETHER I WILL MISS HIM
VERY MUCH. MY NAME FOR HIM WAS "SMARTY MARTY" HE
COULD FIX ANYTHING
WHAT A GREAT GUY
JOHN HALVORSON

JOHN HALVORSON - April 18, 2018 at 04:01 PM

 Barbara
Paetsch

Ty

Barbara Paetsch - April 18, 2018 at 06:11 PM

CR

Carol and family, so sorry for your loss. Sending thoughts and prayers.
Carolyn Ryan

Carolyn Ryan - April 25, 2018 at 07:05 PM