



Richard E. Hildebrand

July 9, 1931 - July 17, 2011

Richard E. Hildebrand, 80, of Bourbonnais, died Sunday (July 17, 2011) at Provena St. Mary's Hospital, Kankakee. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Bourbonnais. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Thursday at Maternity BVM Catholic Church, Bourbonnais, where he was a member. Father Richard Pighini will officiate.

Entombment will be in All Saints Mausoleum, Bourbonnais. Memorials may be made to Maternity BVM Building Fund or to the donor's choice.

Mr. Hildebrand was a construction superintendent for Ray J. Benoit Construction Co. in Kankakee and Gust Newberg Construction Co. in Chicago. He was born July 9, 1931, in Kankakee, the son of Charles and Evelyn Schmidt Hildebrand. His wife, the former Donola Mae Benoit, whom he married May 7, 1955, at Maternity BVM Catholic Church, died April 17, 1999. He was a graduate of Herscher High School, where he was a three-sport athlete. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy Seabees, serving during the Korean War from 1950 to 1954. He was a member of the Navy Seabee Veterans of America, was past commander of Island X-14 of Kankakee, and a member of the Bradley American Legion Post 766 and the Vintage Squadron. He was a life member (since 1949) of Carpenters Local 496 of Kankakee and taught apprentice training for five years. He was a life member of the Bradley-

Bourbonnais Sportsmen's Club and served four different terms as president and was a director for many years. He was a charter member of the Illinois Sheriffs' Association and a member of the Northern Illinois Anglers Association. He was an avid Cubs and Bears fan.

Surviving are four sons and two daughters-in-law, Karl Hildebrand, of Bourbonnais, Charles and Barbara Hildebrand, of Monterey, Tenn., Donald and Jen Hildebrand, of Charleston, S.C., and Gary Hildebrand, of Holland, Mich.; two daughters and one son-in-law, Karol and Tom Grizzle, of Kankakee, and Nancy Hildebrand, of Bourbonnais; six grandchildren, Mike and Shelleigh Skopik, Carlie Hildebrand, Rebekah Hildebrand, Haley Clayton, Parker Hildebrand and Landon Hildebrand; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Wayne and Linda Benoit, of Centralia, Mo., Steve and Carolyn Benoit, of Kankakee, Marguerite Hildebrand, Darlene Mason and Midge Daucanski, all of Bourbonnais.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one sister, Barbara Hildebrand; and one brother, William Hildebrand.

Cemetery Details

All Saints Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 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

Funeral Mass

JUL 21. 11:00 AM (CT)

Maternity B.V.M. Catholic Church
308 E. Marsile
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 933-8285
<http://www.mbvmchurch.org/>

Tribute Wall



“ Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard E. Hildebrand



Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes - July 17, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ Was out of town all last week and just heard of your loss. I have many fond memories of playing at your house many years ago. Your mom and dad were great folks. Deepest sympathy and prayers for soothing your loss. Dave Kling

Dave Kling - July 22, 2011 at 10:19 AM

TG

“ Sorry for your loss

Thomas Grizzle - July 21, 2011 at 08:29 AM

FC

“ Frank, June, Sandi And Frankie Cianci lit a candle in memory of Richard E. Hildebrand



Frank, June, Sandi and Frankie Cianci - July 19, 2011 at 02:33 PM

S(

“ Dear Hildebrand Family,

I'm so sorry you have to say "goodbye" to your dad. I can't imagine your grief, but God will take care of him.

*My prayers are with all of you,
Sue Paris (Brais)*



Sue Paris (Brais) - July 19, 2011 at 09:12 AM

KG

“ Chuck, Karol, Nancy and family,

My deepest condolences on the loss of your father. I know what you are going through, as I have lost my father, father-in-law and just days ago my mother-in-law. May the grace of God shine on you all and guide you through this rough journey.

Kevin Grady

Kevin Grady - July 19, 2011 at 08:31 AM

LT

“ Dear "uncle"Richard forever will your name be synonymous with Chicago and the Cubs in the Spring and Summer and the Chicago Bears in the Fall and Winter. Thank you ever so much for being my God father and the special memories of being with you and the family. You will always be in my heart and if the Cubs ever do win I will know that it is your doing.



And when I look in the evening sky I know that the brightest star will be you and Donola to forever shine in my heart. Rest in Peace .

With Love,
Your God daughter,
Lisa (Rivard) Tollard

Lisa K (Rivard) Tollard - July 19, 2011 at 06:01 AM

MG

“ Rest in peace, old friend. Charles "Ed "Benoit, Navy Seabee Veterans of America, Island 14

Mari Gromer - July 18, 2011 at 08:11 PM

SS

“ Rest in peace Richard. With much love, Rob, Sarah, Elizabeth and Jackson Soleau



Sarah Soleau - July 18, 2011 at 11:32 AM

DJ

So sorry for the loss of your father. Keep him in your heart with all the great memories you have. Thoughts & prayers are with your family.
Darcy Corlett Johnson

Darcy Corlett Johnson - July 18, 2011 at 02:39 PM

LJ

So sorry for your loss. He was a great man. I know he will be missed by all that knew him.

Lori Jones

Lori Jones - July 18, 2011 at 05:23 PM

DL

He will be missed. What a great guy. Take care your friend Duane & Mary LeClair

Duane LeClair - July 18, 2011 at 06:36 PM



We in St. George met Dick in 1960 when he was rebuilding our church after the fire. When we went to recess we always played baseball and Dick was always there to hit some flys to us or ump the game at lunch hour. He was a great guy. I never forgot him. God Bless.

Merle Raymond

Merle Raymond - July 18, 2011 at 07:47 PM

MC

To the Hildebrand Family. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Mary and Larry Conwill

Mary Conwill - July 18, 2011 at 10:56 PM