



Richard "Paul" Kerouac

January 23, 1936 - June 18, 2025

Richard "Paul" Kerouac, age 89, of Manteno, formerly of Bourbonnais, passed away Wednesday, June 18, 2025 at Miller Health Care Center in Kankakee. He was born January 23, 1936 in Bourbonnais, the son of Gabriel & Marie (Tourangeau) Kerouac. Paul married Joanne Hartman in 1980 in Kankakee. Paul was Superintendent of Maintenance for Bradley School District. He loved to paint homes, interior and exterior, turning that into a side job. Paul enjoyed swimming, traveling, golfing, and always keeping busy. Most of all, he loved spending time with his family.

Paul was a veteran of the United States Marines.

He was of the Catholic faith.

Surviving are his wife, Joanne Kerouac of Manteno; one son, Michael Kerouac of San Diego; two daughters, Patti (Woody) Umphrey of Bourbonnais and Shari (Don) Schmahl of Bettendorf, IA; one stepson, Brian Ninis of Marion; one stepdaughter, Julie Ninis (James Nichols) of Durango, CO; one sister, Barbara Nowman of Manteno; ten grandchildren, Richard Kerouac, Chad (Zoe) Kerouac, Aimee (Eric) Link, Lindsey (Greg) Patterson, Jodi (Ray) Sitkowski, Kaitlyn (Nick) Grothus, Karlee (Andy) Heimendinger, Jared Fromknecht, Zac Greenburg, and Clif Wayman; and eleven great-grandchildren. Paul is preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation will be held from 4-7 p.m. on Wednesday, June 25, 2025 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais. Cremation rites will be accorded following the visitation.

Memorials may be made to the family wishes.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **25**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.
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Bourbonnais, IL 60914
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Tribute Wall

CR

“ Cheryl R. planted a grove of 10 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard "Paul" Kerouac.

Cheryl R. - June 23, 2025 at 05:40 PM

LB

“ We are sorry for your loss. LoriAnn & Jeff Bruer



loriann bruer - June 21, 2025 at 09:22 AM

MM

“ MR MRS sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard "Paul" Kerouac



MR MRS - June 21, 2025 at 08:26 AM

DW

Joanne so sorry for your loss. Deepest sympathies to you and your families. ❤️🙏

Debra Wall - June 24, 2025 at 05:39 PM

VE

Our deepest sympathy to the family. Ray & Vickie Edwards

Vickie R Edwards - June 25, 2025 at 01:07 PM

GK

*I'm sorry to hear of your loss. My brother told me about it yesterday.
Prayers of healing for all of the family.*

Greg Kyrouac - June 27, 2025 at 10:33 AM