



Robert Lee Latham

March 4, 1945 - November 8, 2020

Robert Lee “Bob” Latham, age 75, of Bourbonnais, passed away Sunday, November 8, 2020 peacefully at home surrounded by his family.

He was born March 4, 1945 in Maryville, TN, the son of William “Bill” & Ruth Cummings Latham.

Bob married Karen Riddle on July 24, 1964 in Kankakee.

Bob had been a maintenance supervisor at KARMA. He had also worked in maintenance at BUNGE Edible Oil.

Bob served as a Bourbonnais Trustee from 1986-2001. From 2001-2008, Bob served as the Mayor of Bourbonnais.

When interviewed for the Daily Journal, in 2008, Robert was asked what his greatest success was, he answered, “I married a wonderful lady 42 years ago. Today we have 3 grown children, and 7 grandchildren. That is my greatest achievement.”

Bob was a lifelong member of Bethel Baptist Church.

Surviving are his wife, Karen Latham of Bourbonnais; two sons and one daughter-in-law, Brian & Patty Latham of Noblesville, IN and Rodney “Bird” Latham of Bourbonnais; one daughter and one son-in-law, Dixie & Tom Simeur of Westchester, OH; one sister, Ruthie Domagalla of Dickson, TN; three brothers and three sisters-in-law, Linda Hodges of Bourbonnais, Porter & Brenda Latham of Vienna, Johnny & Joyce Latham of Bourbonnais, and Rick Latham of Bourbonnais; seven grandchildren, Riley & Susan Simeur of Mason, OH, Molly Simeur of Marco Island, FL, Libby Simeur (Ian Pennington)

of Westchester, OH, Jake Latham of Noblesville, IN, Jack Latham of Bloomington, IN, Wesley Latham, and William Latham. Bob was also the favorite uncle of 19 nieces and nephews.

Bob is preceded in death by parents; two brothers and two sisters-in-law, William & Mary Latham, Tom Latham, and Pam Latham; three sisters, Nancy Arseneau, Betty McClanahan, and Dixielyn Latham; two nephews, David Dixon and Zachary Mayer; and one niece, Jennifer Olson.

Memorial visitation will be held 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 15, 2020 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais. As per the most recent COVID-19 pandemic restrictions, there will be a limited number of guests paying their respects in the funeral home at a time. In advance, we thank you for your patience and cooperation. Please wear a mask and practice social distancing guidelines.

Private family funeral services will be held. Rev. Chad Ozee will officiate the ceremony.

The family would like to express their gratitude to the doctors, nurses, and staff of Miller Healthcare, Riverside Orthopedics, and Riverside Hospital. Special thanks to Uplifted Care and Dr. Keith Moss for their support.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

NOV **15**. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall

DF

“ With deepest sympathy to the entire family, we send our prayers and heartfelt wishes for fond memories and comfort during your loss. Mr. Latham was a treasure for all and we are blessed to have known him.

With love,
Jim & Dawn Floyd and family

Dawn Floyd - November 15, 2020 at 11:42 AM

DA

“ Our hearts are saddened to hear of the loss of a Christian brother. Bob was indeed an example of Christ's love. He loved and was loved by all. Rest In Peace Bob.. Dave and Dolores Pierson

Dave - November 15, 2020 at 08:52 AM

SK

“ Our deepest sympathy goes out to the Latham family from the entire Kanoski family. Bob was a good man and will be missed.

Scott Kanoski

Scott P Kanoski - November 13, 2020 at 08:40 PM

LL

“ Bob's at peace now and in the care of the Lord. He loved his family and left many beautiful memories. God bless you Karen, & family. Love, Linda Longtin & Gail Beever

Linda Longtin - November 13, 2020 at 11:26 AM

KR

“ Bob was a wonderful man who gave so much to the Village of Bourbonnais. We want to extend our sympathy to Karen and the family at this difficult time. Our prayers are with all of you.
Kathy and Duane Roy

Kathy Roy - November 12, 2020 at 10:56 PM

CR

“ I knew Bob Latham from the time I was on the Bourbonnais Police Auxiliary. Bob was down to earth and easy going. He thought very highly of our first responders and anyone who volunteered for the community. When I was out and about running errands Bob was always friendly and had time to talk. Bob and Karen would send my wife and I Christmas cards every year. He was a kind man with a good heart. Karen and family my condolences.

Conrad Raczkowski

Conrad Raczkowski - November 12, 2020 at 12:18 PM

DL

“ My thoughts and prayers are with, what Mr. Latham believed was his greatest achievement in life, the Latham family. I'm sorry to hear of his passing and your loss.



Dana Lynn - November 12, 2020 at 09:10 AM

JT

“ Karen
Thinking of you and your family praying for everyone’s safety and health during your time together. I will touch base with you soon, Love and prayers
Janice Trout

Janice Trout - November 11, 2020 at 08:23 PM

BW

“ *Thinking of you all in this difficult time. I remember Mr. Latham as the mayor, and have known Dixie and Brian since high school. He was blessed with a wonderful family, and you will all be in my prayers.*

Becky Wilder - November 11, 2020 at 01:09 PM

CR

“ *Candy Ray lit a candle in memory of Robert Lee Latham*



Candy ray - November 11, 2020 at 12:10 PM

VD

“ *Virginia R Dominick lit a candle in memory of Robert Lee Latham*



Virginia R Dominick - November 11, 2020 at 10:45 AM

RW

“ *Our deepest sympathy to the Latham family. Tom and Rachel Weis*

Rachel Weis - November 11, 2020 at 09:11 AM



“ *Rest in paradise Papa.*



Molly Simeur - November 11, 2020 at 12:07 AM

JP

“ *Jennifer Phillips lit a candle in memory of Robert Lee Latham*



jennifer phillips - November 10, 2020 at 11:20 PM

JA

“ *Bob was simply the BEST!!! To our family he was Will's grandpa that enjoyed watching Will play baseball. To me he was a man I admired. Loved getting to see him and talk. My Joe always loved to help Bob out with whatever was messed up at the house. He enjoyed chatting with Bob too. To Karen Bob was her sweetheart. He loved you deeply. To the kids your Dad was just so proud of you all and so thankful for all his grandchildren you gave him. He always just beamed when talking about Family. The Arbour Family will miss Bob so much.*

Bob when you see our Cody please keep an eye out for him. ❤️

Judy Jo Arbour - November 10, 2020 at 07:46 PM

GR

“ We are so sorry to hear of Bobs passing. We enjoyed seeing Bob at the ballgames when Will and Luked played. He was an awesome man. We will keep your family in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Gary Weber and Nancy

Gary Weber and Nancy Ruel - November 10, 2020 at 07:05 PM

GR

Wes and Luke. Not Will.

Gary Weber and Nancy Ruel - November 10, 2020 at 07:43 PM

JL

“ My deepest sympathy Karen to you and your family. I have many great memories of playing with Robert when I lived next door to him in the early fifties. My dad would bring my brother and me to the Bradly football games to watch the Latham boys play, especially when they played Saint Pats!! Long time ago!! Again I offer my deepest and most heartfelt condolences!! Blessings to all, Lucky Latham

John Latham - November 10, 2020 at 05:11 PM