



William Hildebrand

October 7, 1929 - September 18, 2005

William Hildebrand -- Bourbonnais William "Bill" C. Hildebrand, 75, of Bourbonnais, died Sunday (Sept. 18, 2005) at Loyola University Medical Center, Maywood. Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday, with a 4 p.m. wake service, at the Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Maternity BVM Catholic Church, where he was a member. Burial will be in Maternity BVM Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Bourbonnais Fire Department. Mr. Hildebrand was a fireman for the Bourbonnais Fire Protection District from 1954-1995 and served as fire chief for 25 years. He was also the Bourbonnais Township Road Commissioner from 1981-2001. He was born Oct. 7, 1929, in Kankakee, the son of Charles and Evelyn Schmidt Hildebrand. He was a graduate of Herscher High School. He served in the U.S. Army in the transportation division. He was a member of the 100 Club, a lifetime member of the Bradley Bourbonnais Sportsman's Club and a member of the Holy Name Society at his church. He was a former member of the Firefighters Association and past president of the Kankakee County Highway Commissioners. He was a Cubs and Bears fan. Surviving are his wife, the former Marguerite Rivard, whom he married July 11, 1953 at Maternity BVM Catholic Church; four daughters and sons-in-law, Karen and Mike Cherry, Diane and Jim Allie, all of Bourbonnais, Linda and Kevin Nordmeyer of Chebanse, Anita and Brian Hebert of Bradley; two sons and daughters-in-law, Michael and Sue Hildebrand of Bourbonnais, Thomas and Paula Hildebrand

of Metamora; and grandchildren, John and Sarah Cherry, Katie Cherry, Jena Allie, Tiffany, Matthew and Alyssa Hildebrand, Brandon and Britni Nordmeyer, Mary Hebert and fiance, Nick Spaulding, Adam Hebert, Zachary and Jacob Hildebrand and Morgan Chapman; one brother, Richard Hildebrand of Bourbonnais and numerous nieces and nephews. Deceased are his parents; one sister, Barbara Hildebrand; and one grandson, Joseph William Cherry.

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“ Dear Marge,

 I am so sorry for your loss. Bill will be missed. He's a good guy. To me he will always be chief and I know Jerry feels the same. If it helps any, I have a feeling that Henry, Bruce, Gene and the others are with him now, and probably talking fire dept. If Jerry and I can be of any help to you please don't hesitate to call. We love you.##imported-begin##Darlene Boudreau##imported-end##

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“ It came as a shock when I read the Journal on line this morning. I am very sorry for the loss of Bill, indeed a very good person. God's speed to the entire Hildebrand Family.##imported-begin##Bruce Barber##imported-end##

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“ Vern always admired and respected Bill 's leadership on the Fire Dept. You are rembered in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Vern and Bonnie LaGesse##imported-end##

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“ We were so sorry to hear of Bill's passing. Prayers of friends are a real blessing and I know you have many friends. God will console you and bless you.

 Sincerely,

Beulah and Rick Brooks

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“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family.

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“ Our deepest sympathy to all the family of William Hildebrand

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“ May all your memories of Bill help to comfort you during this time of loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with the whole family.

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“ My condolences to you and your families. I am sorry that I was unable to attend, however, I was out of town. ”
Cheryl Bechtel

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“ Mike always thought so much of Bill. I am out of town but my thought and prayers are with you ”
Louise E. Sells

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“ To Marge and Family:
My deepest sympathy to all of you-I fondly remember the fire-dept in the "old days" and Bill was my most favorite. We all had various good times especially the sweetheart dances along with the Christmas parties-he always had a way of making me feel so special. Again my deepest sympathy.
Sincerely, Mary Jo
Mary Jo Benoit/Schrock

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“ Please accept our heartfelt sympathy on the loss of your loved one. He truly left a legacy to his family, friends and our community. Thank you. The Lee family. ”
Paul & Helen Lee

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“ Hildie, Sorry to hear of your father's passing. Leanne forwarded the column to me. I just want you to know that I'll be thinking of you and your family. And say a special prayer for your dad.

Karen
Karen Sereno

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“ I would definitely like to say that Bill was like a father to me for the whole 21 years of my life. I will miss him greatly and he has been a huge impact on my life. Bill will always be in my heart and I will remember him always.
Sarah Reyling

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Rick & Christel Dennison

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“ I worked for Bill in the late 70's. I remember him sending me home from work and telling me not to come back until after the Cubs game was over!
Rick Boswell

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“ I would like to extend my sincere condolences to Bill's family. I am sorry for your loss.
Timothy Hamilton

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“ We are sorry to hear of your loss. Keeping you all close in healing thoughts and heartfelt prayers. ĩ½##imported-begin##JACK & Marge Martinson##imported-end##

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“ I enjoyed my conversations with Mr Hildebrand at the Northfield Mall, and he will be missed by all##imported-begin##Marv' Hanes##imported-end##

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“ Bill (and Dick) and the Kuntz boys used to detassle corn for my Mom when the kids used to have to walk the corn rows. ĩ½I was too little but I used to carry water for the detasslers. ĩ½Even though I was just a pesty little kid, Bill was always nice to me, and I never forgot that! ĩ½I know he will be missed. ĩ½God bless you and your family. ĩ½ĩ½Lesla##imported-begin##Lesla (Dalton) Anderson##imported-end##

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