



Richard R. Boyer

October 27, 1935 - August 2, 2018

Richard R. Boyer, 82, of Rockford went to be with his Lord and Savior on August 2, 2018. Born on October 27, 1935 in Pearl City, son of Paul and Orlena (Thompson) Boyer. Richard graduated from Pearl City High School, class of 1953. He attended Northern Illinois University. United in Marriage to Joanne Baumgartner on September 29, 1956 in Freeport, IL. Richard was employed in Industrial Maintenance at Bourne & Koch Co., Circle Boring, Rockford Screw Products and All Rental Garment. He was a member of Maywood Evangelical Free Church from 1979-2014, where he served as a Deacon and Trustee and participated in Bible studies. Recently, he attended Red Brick Church in Stillman Valley and Stonebridge Ministries in Rockford. Richard enjoyed spending time with his family. He loved the happy chaos of those he loved most surrounding him. He was a baseball coach for his boys in their younger years, and a boy scout leader. He was incredibly patient with his grandchildren and retained his childlike sense of discovery throughout his life. He was skilled at fixing anything and everything mechanical and served as the project foreman of his son's extensive remodeling and addition project. Survived by his wife, Joanne; sons, Brian (Liz) Boyer of Machesney Park, David (Melesia) Boyer of Rockford, Eric (Sue) Boyer of Lake Zurich; grandchildren, J.R. (Kara Butler, and her son Trace Butler) Boyer, Gabe Boyer, Blake (Brittany) Boyer, Haley (Andrew) Vincent, Raegan (Jonny Montville) Boyer, Dillon Boyer, Kyra (David) Mazanowski, Jake Boyer; great-grandson, Carter David Mazanowski; brother, Boyd Boyer of Kent; sisters,

Donna Kempel of Freeport, Deborah Hughes of Baton Rouge, LA; numerous cousins, nieces and nephews; and an extensive circle of brothers and sisters in Christ. Preceded in death by his parents; son, Todd Franklin Boyer in 1995, and dog, Remington. Visitation on Sunday, August 5, 2018 from 3-5 p.m. at Stonebridge Church, 7281 Old Creek Rd. Rockford. Additional visitation Monday, August 6, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m., followed by a celebration of Richard's life at 11 a.m. at the Stonebridge Church. Pastor Scott Nesse will officiate and will be assisted by Pastor Tim Michalek. Private interment in Chapel Hill Cemetery, Freeport. Richard's family is grateful to the staff and health professionals at Davita, Presence St. Anne's Center and ParaTransit for their compassionate and loving care. In lieu of flowers, memorials in Richard's name may be made to the family, to be distributed to his favorite local charities and organizations. Grace Funeral & Cremation Services assisted the family. Share a memory or condolence at www.graceFH.com.

Cemetery Details

Chapel Hill Cemetery

2514 IL-26
Freeport, IL 61032

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 5. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Stonebridge Church
7281 Olde Creek Rd
Rockford, IL 61114
(815) 282-4673

Tribute Wall



“ Grace Funeral & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard R. Boyer



Grace Funeral & Cremation Services - August 05, 2018 at 12:24 PM

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“ We want to send our sympathy and prayers. We were planning on coming to see you, but Joe got sick and it just wasn't possible. We are remembering all the good times thru out high school. He was always upbeat and kind. Joe and Paula Gerke

Paula Gerke - August 09, 2018 at 12:03 PM

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“ To Joanne and family, my deepest sympathy in your loss. Sincerely,
Joan Schmelzle

Joan Schmelzle - August 05, 2018 at 02:23 PM



“ 110 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Grace Funeral & Cremation Services - August 05, 2018 at 11:13 AM

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“ *Joanne and family:*

We are so sorry about Dick...he was such a great man and always had a smile. I had a flashback of him sitting in the pew (always on the aisle) and smiling as I'd walk into Maywood. He had such warmth and kindness.

May God give you the peace that only HE can give at this time...until you meet him again in Heaven...peace and comfort. Our prayers will be lifted up for you all,

Star (Klump) and George Bertone

Star George Bertone - August 05, 2018 at 06:28 AM



“ *America the Beautiful was purchased for the family of Richard R. Boyer.*



August 05, 2018 at 04:18 AM



“ *Brian and Liz, Ron and I were so very sorry to hear of your dad's passing. We are keeping your entire family in our thoughts and prayers. I know how very much Blake loved his grandpa. We feel honored that we got to meet Dick and Joanne at Brittany and Blake's wedding. He was a wonderful man who will be missed by so many. Hugs and love, Ron and Katie Peterson*



Katie Peterson - August 04, 2018 at 09:31 PM



“ *To a VERY SPECIAL FRIEND and BROTHER IN CHRIST . Will always remember his LOVE FOR HIS LORD A SAVIOR as a real man of GOD and we will look forward o the day we will all be at home with our LORD AND SAVIOR our Love < John and Donna Carlson*

John & Donna Carlson - August 04, 2018 at 01:41 PM