



W. Robert Kuntzmann

January 28, 1935 - March 2, 2017

W. Robert Kuntzmann, 82, of Havana, passed away at 8:07 p.m. on Thursday, March 2, 2017 at Havana Health Care. He was born January 28, 1935 in Carlinville, IL, the son of Walt and Mary (Loveless) Kuntzmann.

After attending Havana Grade and High School, he graduated with a Bachelor's and then a Master's Degree from Western Illinois University. Bob's entire teaching career of more than thirty years was spent at Havana Junior High School as a math teacher and Assistant Principal. After retiring, he tutored students in addition to writing a sports column for more than 21 years for the Mason County Democrat.

He loved teaching and football and was a mentor to many young teachers and students. He was known affectionately as "Mr. K" to his "kids."

In 1958 he married Victoria Henseler at St. Mary's in Canton. She survives.

He was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church.

Rosary will be held at Hurley Funeral Home in Havana at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, March 5, 2017. Visitation will follow the Rosary until 5:00 p.m. Funeral mass will be held at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Havana at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, March 6, 2017. Graveside services will be held at 1:00 p.m.

at St Joseph's Cemetery in Canton. Fr. David Whiteside will officiate.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Patrick's Catholic Church, 12th Man Booster Club for Havana Football or Mason District Hospital Foundation. Online memorial messages may be left for the family at www.hurleyfh.com.

Hurley Funeral Home in Havana is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph's Catholic Cemetery

139 E. Chestnut St.
Canton, IL 61520

Previous Events

Rosary

MAR 5. 2:30 PM (CT)

Hurley Funeral Home - Havana
217 North Plum Street
P.O. Box #648
Havana, IL 62644
(309) 543-2244
<https://www.hurleyfh.com/>

Visitation

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

Hurley Funeral Home - Havana
217 North Plum Street
P.O. Box #648
Havana, IL 62644
(309) 543-2244
<https://www.hurleyfh.com/>

Funeral

MAR 6. 10:00 AM (CT)

St Patricks Catholic Church
545 S Orange St
Havana, IL 62644

Tribute Wall



“ *W. Robert Kuntzmann*

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *Randall Jones*

I met Bob when I worked for MetLife in 1996 so I looked him up because his mother Mary is a sister to my Grandmother Bertha Loveless . I serviced the county district hospital for a few years but retired from the state as an auditor for Revenue after 24 years with the state. Bob was the same age as my mother Rita O'Neal in high school from Palmyra near Carlinville , Rita passed 2011 and Grandmother Bertha in 1983. Rita Jones was mother's married name.



Randall Jones - January 23, 2021 at 04:03 PM



“ *Bob was a great guy and I always enjoyed talking sports with him. He will be greatly missed.*

Greg Bennett - March 23, 2017 at 08:58 AM

CK

“ I spent many a Friday night taking football stats with Mr. K while I was in high school. Not only did he teach me a ton about the game, but also about patience and kindness. Whenever beer and pizza are on the menu for a Friday night, Mr. K fondly comes to mind. He will be missed, but what an imprint he left on so many lives!

--Courtney Walker Knowles

Courtney Knowles - March 06, 2017 at 12:36 PM

JC

“ Julitta Carpenter lit a candle in memory of W. Robert Kuntzmann



Julitta Carpenter - March 06, 2017 at 11:40 AM

RL

“ Robert Long lit a candle in memory of W. Robert Kuntzmann



Robert Long - March 06, 2017 at 08:53 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of W. Robert Kuntzmann.



March 05, 2017 at 12:10 PM

DN

“ *Donna Myland Nettleton lit a candle in memory of W. Robert Kuntzmann*



Donna Myland Nettleton - March 05, 2017 at 09:05 AM

MB

“ *Marcia Bates lit a candle in memory of W. Robert Kuntzmann*



Marcia Bates - March 04, 2017 at 08:33 PM

RR

“ *Bob added so much to the pleasant atmosphere of the Junior High. His smiles and laughter helped make it a cheery, pleasant place to be. He had a wonderful attitude toward people and serving others. Bob will be missed.*

Randy Rutledge - March 04, 2017 at 07:38 PM

 Cari Meeker

“ *Mr. K was one of the nicest men I have ever known. He will be greatly missed. My condolences to his family.*

Cari Meeker - March 04, 2017 at 04:53 PM

ML

“ *Monica (Landazuri) Lehotan lit a candle in memory of W. Robert Kuntzmann*



Monica (Landazuri) Lehotan - March 04, 2017 at 04:24 PM



“ *Mrs. K., you are in my thoughts and prayers. Mr. K was one of the best teachers and best people ever! I still remember him making me do math fundamentals in front of the class. Such pressure but made us all better math students--he's one of the reasons I became a math teacher. He would always bet Jenny Trimpe and I that we would lose our basketball games. He always teased us that boys were better than girls at sports. He was tough but so real and compassionate. I feel so blessed to have known him.*
--Lissa Pope Angus



Lissa Angus - March 04, 2017 at 03:13 PM



“ *Robert Specketer lit a candle in memory of W. Robert Kuntzmann*



Robert Specketer - March 04, 2017 at 01:55 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of W. Robert Kuntzmann.*



March 04, 2017 at 12:29 PM



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March 04, 2017 at 10:24 AM



“ *Connie S Atchison lit a candle in memory of W. Robert Kuntzmann*



Connie S Atchison - March 04, 2017 at 08:43 AM



“ *Traci Unruh Davis lit a candle in memory of W. Robert Kuntzmann*



Traci Unruh Davis - March 04, 2017 at 08:00 AM

BC

“ *Mr. K was one of the finest people I ever met and had the pleasure to work with. He helped guide me in the early stages of my teaching career and always welcomed a visit in his home. I see him playing tennis in a better place. God be with Vicki.*

Bruce Carmitchel - March 04, 2017 at 07:53 AM

VP

“ *Vickie Pace-Lickiss lit a candle in memory of W. Robert Kuntzmann*



Vickie Pace-Lickiss - March 04, 2017 at 07:05 AM

MM

“ *Melissa (Gilbreath) Mullen lit a candle in memory of W. Robert Kuntzmann*



Melissa (Gilbreath) Mullen - March 04, 2017 at 06:40 AM

MC

“ *My mom and him were buddies and I always heard about him from my mom after moving away. Mr. K was like a big kid when you went into his 8.2 math class and you felt like you were with a friend in his class, although you knew when you were close to crossing the line. One things that sticks out in my mind about him is his great laugh.*

*My sincere condolences
Mike Coker*

mike coker - March 04, 2017 at 04:29 AM

MP

“*“Mr. K” commanded respect in every way, but he was also kind and caring to everyone around him. My condolences to Mrs. Kuntzman. (I will remember you both always and forever from the short time my family and I spent living in Havana.)*

Matthew Pichon - March 04, 2017 at 03:41 AM

AK

“*Mrs. K, you are in my thoughts. May you get thru these trying days to find sunshine again.*
Arlene Kastendick Krell

Arlene Kastendick Krell - March 04, 2017 at 12:37 AM

PB

“*Thoughts and prayers to Mrs.K and family. Mr. K was a great friend and mentor to me. I always enjoyed visiting him and Mrs. K while I was coaching in Havana. He always spoke his mind and shot from the hip. I will always remember his wit and humor.*

May he rest in peace.

God bless you Mrs. K.

Pat, Martha, and Michael Beadle

Pat Beadle - March 03, 2017 at 10:11 PM

DC

“*Mr. K was the first teacher to really get me interested in computers, which is where I ended up. He encouraged me and always made me feel like I could do anything. He really made a difference in my life and in so many others. We are blessed to have known him and be taught by him.*

Debbie Cooley - March 03, 2017 at 09:57 PM



“ *My deepest sympathy Mr.K was such a great person always dedicated to his students during school times and through adulthood. So Blessed to have you both as a youngster in my life, not only as teachers but as role models. Always a wave hello as a kid riding my bike by your home and a quick stop as I drove by as an adult. Never will forget all the great curbside conversations when I was home visting. Good Bless you Mrs. K , Sending you warm hugs across the miles.*

Susie Ulrich Begbie - March 03, 2017 at 09:51 PM

LW

“ *Lori Wright lit a candle in memory of W. Robert Kuntzmann*



lori wright - March 03, 2017 at 09:46 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of W. Robert Kuntzmann.*



March 03, 2017 at 08:34 PM

MB

“ Sorry to hear of Mr. K's passing. My husband truly enjoyed the conversations he had with him at church! He will be deeply missed by many. He left an indelible mark for sure. Our prayers and thoughts are with you Mrs. K.

Love,
Mary Pat and Steve Bares

Mary Bares - March 03, 2017 at 08:26 PM

SH

“ One of my favorite teachers! Loved his grin & his wink 😊 when he was trying to pull one over some of his students!!

Sheryl Hofreiter-Smith - March 03, 2017 at 07:28 PM

RL

“ Rich & Lynne lit a candle in memory of W. Robert Kuntzmann

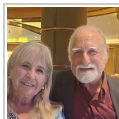


Rich & Lynne - March 03, 2017 at 07:15 PM

LT

“ I was so sorry to hear of Mr. K's death. My heart goes out to all who loved him. Even though I'm not a sports' fan, I always enjoyed his column in the MCD.

Lieura Sue Taylor - March 03, 2017 at 06:20 PM



Condolences to Mrs. Kuntzmann. We were his first class--he was inspirational.

Sue Velde - March 03, 2017 at 07:37 PM

CR

“ So sorry to hear of Mr K.'s passing. Praying for Vicki and the family. You will definitely be missed. One of my favorite teachers.
Chris Rennison



chris rennison - March 03, 2017 at 05:32 PM

AM

“ Mr. K. was a very caring teacher. He was their when you needed help in school and out of school. So sorry for your loss Mrs. K.



Alice Miller - March 03, 2017 at 05:24 PM

AB

“ AJ Burgett lit a candle in memory of W.
Robert Kuntzmann



AJ Burgett - March 03, 2017 at 05:03 PM

RK

“ Richard Kahn lit a candle in memory of W.
Robert Kuntzmann



Richard Kahn - March 03, 2017 at 05:00 PM

RK

I am so sorry to hear of Bob's passing....My heartfelt condolences go out to Vicki and the family. Bob was an institution in Havana....teacher, sports historian, asst principal, friend. . . . He will be missed.

Richard Kahn - March 03, 2017 at 05:02 PM

BB

“ *Bev Berberet lit a candle in memory of W. Robert Kuntzmann*



Bev Berberet - March 03, 2017 at 04:49 PM

LT

“ *Deepest sympathy to you, Mrs. K. You and Mr. K we're inspirations to us during our most important years of development. We have always had the utmost respect for you both. Prayers of strength, comfort, and peace during this difficult time. Sincerely, Roger and Lisa Thompson*



Lisa Thompson - March 03, 2017 at 04:33 PM

LC

“ *Lanette Crum lit a candle in memory of W. Robert Kuntzmann*



Lanette Crum - March 03, 2017 at 04:00 PM

NE

“ Nancy Elliott lit a candle in memory of W.
Robert Kuntzmann



Nancy Elliott - March 03, 2017 at 03:54 PM

NE

My thoughts and prayers are with Mrs. K. He will be missed.

Nancy Elliott - March 03, 2017 at 03:55 PM

ML

“ Melody Lynn lit a candle in memory of W.
Robert Kuntzmann



Melody Lynn - March 03, 2017 at 03:54 PM

RN

“ Rhonda Neeley lit a candle in memory of W.
Robert Kuntzmann



Rhonda Neeley - March 03, 2017 at 03:30 PM

PR

“ *Penny Roch lit a candle in memory of W.
Robert Kuntzmann*



Penny Roch - March 03, 2017 at 03:24 PM