



Richard Vincent Grannan

March 8, 1937 - August 12, 2020

Richard Vincent “Dick” Grannan, 83, of Evansville, passed away Wednesday, August 12, 2020 at his home after a long battle with Parkinson’s Disease.

Dick was born March 8, 1937 in Dearborn, MI to the late Adrian and Cecelia (Wilson) Grannan. He attended St. Joseph Catholic grade school and was a 1955 graduate of Mater Dei High School. After high school, Dick enrolled in the St. Meinrad School of Theology for one year and then enlisted in the U.S. Navy/Air Force to dutifully serve his country until 1959. After the armed forces, Dick married Patricia Anne Happel. Together they celebrated 60 years of marriage before her passing on April 8, 2020. Dick received a Bachelor’s Degree from the University of Evansville in business. He entered the Deaconate Program within the Catholic Diocese of Evansville and spiritually served his church and community for over 35 years. He retired from Gerber Food Products.

Those that knew Dick closely knew of his love for his family and his enjoyment of horse racing. He possessed a true gaming desire to win. His most passionate trait included his genuine desire to spiritually assist others in life.

Surviving Dick are his children, Michele (Mark) Jolly, James (Cara) Grannan and Gerald (Judy) Grannan; five sisters, Theresa Vetter, Wilma (Jay) Kerner, Patty (Bob) Miller, Thelma Boarman, Siggi (Larry) Hamilton; grandchildren, Emily (Drew) Robards, Lesley (Chad) Goelzhauser, Logan Grannan, Anthony (Donna) Catanese, Jessica Grannan and Gerald R. (Arielle) Grannan and five great grandchildren.

In addition to his wife and parents, Dick was preceded in death by a sister, Jeanie Boarman.

There will be a Mass of Christian Burial held at 10:30 AM on Saturday, August 15, 2020 at St. Agnes Catholic Church, Bishop Joseph Siegel presiding. Burial will follow in St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery.

Friends may visit with the family from 4:00 until 8:00 PM on Friday at Pierre Funeral Home, 2601 W. Franklin Street and from 10:00 AM until service time on Saturday at St. Agnes Catholic Church, 1600 Glendale Ave. Per current guidelines from the CDC and governor of the state of Indiana, masks must be worn at all times during the services.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to all of Dick's caregivers who allowed him to leave this world on his own terms, Jerry Grannan, Shelly Jolly, Leann Bixby, Trish Overton, Mike Zinkan, Mary Ann Strawn, Janice Jeffries, Ann Boyd, Maryfaye Culley and the entire staff of MSA Hospice.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Boniface Parish, c/o St. Agnes Church, 1600 Glendale Ave, Evansville, IN 47712.

Condolences may be made online at www.pierrefuneralhome.com.

Cemetery

St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery

2500 Mesker Park Drive
Evansville, IN,

Events

AUG 14 **Visitation** 04:00PM - 08:00PM

Pierre Funeral Home
2601 West Franklin Street, Evansville, IN, US,
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AUG 15 **Visitation** 10:00AM - 10:30AM

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AUG 15 **Mass of Christian Burial** 10:30AM

St. Agnes Catholic Church
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Comments



“ A tribute video has been added.



Pierre Funeral Home - August 13, 2020 at 03:36 PM



“ My name is John Lorber. I went to high school with Dick and am saddened to learn of his death. I kept track of his activities and knew about his marriage to Patti and of the work that he did with the church. I wish we could have reconnected before he died. He was a good friend and I treasure my memories of our youthful time spent together.

I am thinking of him and your family and wish you the best.

John Lorber - August 30, 2020 at 09:59 AM



“ Shelly, Jerry, Jim & families,

I was so sorry to hear of your Dad's passing. What a wonderful, kind & accomplished man. He always listened & made you smile.

I remember before my Mother died, he gave her the Anointing of the Sick & called her "Aunt Judy". How special that was. He connected with everyone he knew.

Ministry was his true calling. I am also so sorry for your Mother's untimely passing. Especially during this Pandemic.

I have thoroughly enjoyed all the photos. Thank you for sharing these beautiful memories. They truly loved and were loved.

Not only is your Dad resting in the arms of our Lord, he has been reunited with your Mother, Patty, the love of his life. They are once again dancing and laughing. They were met by all the family members who passed before them. I can hear them laughing with your Grandma & Grandpa, my Aunt Celie & Uncle Tom. As well as with Jeanie & Carl.

You are all in my thoughts & prayers. Hold the memories close. God bless each of you during this difficult time.

Peace & love,
Your cousin,
Judy Beth Grannan Thurman



Julia & Randy Thurman - August 14, 2020 at 08:32 PM



“ I was a classmate of Dick's sister, Patty, at St. Anthony's and Mater Dei Through the years whenever i came in contact with Dick, it was a pleasurable experience. We're saddened by his earthly departure. My wife(Carolyn Knapp'60) sand I offer our prayers and condolences to Patty and Bob and all his sisters. Vaya con Dios, mi amigo! PAX TECUM, Dick. Larry and Carolyn Adams

Leonard R. Adams - August 14, 2020 at 04:39 PM



“ Jerry, I'm sorry for the loss of your dad. Praying for you and your family.

- Steve Shelley

Steve Shelley - August 14, 2020 at 11:53 AM



“ 129 files added to the album LifeTributes



Pierre Funeral Home - August 13, 2020 at 02:43 PM



“ I worked with Dick at St. Agnes for many years. He was one of the most compassionate people and his heart was full of love for the sick and homebound.

Peace and love, Rosie Reising

Rosie Reising - August 13, 2020 at 02:18 PM



“ Wow...I am so sorry that Dick has passed this worldly life...my condolences as well for his wife, Patty, yet now her partner in life can be with her. Kids, Your Dad...He was a fun man to be around and as I grew up he was always someone I looked up to. From his Donald Duck imitation when I was a toddler to working for him stocking Gerber Products at many grocery stores in the Evansville, Indiana market. He was always caring and thoughtful and helped me early in my college pursuits. The day he became a Deacon in the Catholic Church was a day we felt good for him, and God, no doubt was pleased as well...Thank you so much for a great life, Dick...such a caring man...Ted Grannan, Jr.



L. T. GRANNAN, JR. - August 13, 2020 at 02:07 PM



“ I remember Dickie for two things.
1. Not only was he a man of faith, he lived his FAITH everyday.
2. His infectious laugh.
Our thoughts and prayers be with his family.

Denny & Jane Hughes (cousin's)

Denny & Jane Hughes - August 13, 2020 at 02:37 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Richard Vincent Grannan.



August 13, 2020 at 11:38 AM



“ I remember your wonderful family all the way back to St. Anthony. Then we reconnected at St. Agnes. Dick and Patty were the best. It makes me smile to know they are together again.

Martha Render - August 13, 2020 at 11:37 AM



“ I have wonderful memories of the faith, joy and friendship that was Dick's gift to me. You are all in my prayers as you celebrate his homing through our Savior, Jesus. May he rest in peace. Fr. Tony Kissel

Tony Kissel - August 13, 2020 at 10:08 AM



“ Tony Kissel lit a candle in memory of Richard Vincent Grannan



Tony Kissel - August 13, 2020 at 10:01 AM