



Larry J. Boots Sr.

February 11, 1942 - August 18, 2020

Larry Joseph Boots, Sr., 78, of Evansville, passed away Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at Deaconess Hospital Midtown Campus.

Larry was born February 11, 1942 in Evansville to the late Ira Joseph and Dorothy Jane (Wagner) Boots. He was a 1960 graduate of Mater Dei High School; an avid supporter and fan of Mater Dei athletics and Notre Dame football. He retired from Keller Crescent after 43 years of service to them and was a member of Corpus Christi Catholic Church.

Surviving Larry are his wife of 53 years, Virginia "Ginger" (Heistand) Boots; a daughter, Lori Ann Boots Carver; one son, Larry Joseph Boots, Jr.; sisters, Becky (Eddie) Maier, Tina (Joe) Wright and Bridget (Randy) Dickerson; brothers, Ira Gerard (Terri) Boots, Tim (Theo) Boots and Vince (Kathy) Boots; four grandchildren, Andy and Travis Sweet, Tiffany Boots and Larry Boots, III; three great grandchildren; many nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

In addition to his parents, Larry was preceded in death by a sister, Theresa Boots Helfrich.

There will be a Mass of Christian Burial held at 10:00 AM on Saturday, August 22, 2020 at Corpus Christi Catholic Church. Entombment will follow at St.

Joseph Mausoleum.

Friends may visit with the family from 2:00 until 7:00 PM on Friday at Pierre Funeral Home, 2601 W. Franklin Street and from 9:30 AM until service time on Saturday at Corpus Christi Church.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Mater Dei Athletic Department, 1300 Harmony Way, Evansville, IN 47720.

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

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery

2500 Mesker Park Drive
Evansville, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 21. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Pierre Funeral Home
2601 West Franklin Street
Evansville, IN

Visitation

AUG 22. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Corpus Christi Catholic Church
5528 Hogue Road
Evansville, IN

Mass of Christian Burial

AUG 22. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Larry J. Boots Sr.*

January 16, 2023 at 06:53 PM

RD

“ To share a memory of Larry is to share my life. We met as freshman in football at Mater Dei. Larry was big and strong and he loved and knew football. I was a big country kid that barely know what a football was. Just about every night (football season) for four years we hitchhiked Harmony Way out to Kasson where we continued our hitchhiking separate ways. I wonder how many hundred hours we walked and talked!

I eventually moved to Seattle, but we kept in touch. Just about every visit back to Evansville included a visit with Larry. (I never made it to Kentucky Lake.) The last ten or fifteen years I made it a point to call at least a couple times a year. (I got to know Ginger over the phone when Larry was being hailed in from some outdoor work.) Our last conversation was maybe a month or so ago. It was a familiar discussion the last few years: "Well, I was in the hospital last month. They think it is something with my heart (or some other vital organ). It was a little scary, but I am doing a lot better now. Ha Ha." (That totally Larry laugh.)

I think that the greatest thing about Larry was that he was always Larry. He was the personification of personal integrity. He had his great Larry sense of humor. He criticized no-one. He didn't make a lot of noise and he didn't attract a lot of attention, but he was a mighty rock! He did what he did and he did it the best that he could. He was Amazing in my mind. He was a great success in all the things that really mattered. I sit here writing with tears soaking my shirt. I was his Tackle he was my Guard. We were joined at the hip.

I probably admire him as much as any human I know.

Rodger Duncan - August 28, 2020 at 06:22 PM

BD

“ Dear Boots Family,

I was sorry to see Larry, Sr passed away. I went to school with Tina and know several of your family members. Holding you all in prayer!

*Blessings,
Phil and Becky (Kirchoff) Doshier*



Becky Doshier - August 22, 2020 at 01:12 PM

MR

“ *I remember dropping my now 15 year old off at daycare, and she was always happy to go sit with “Pawpaw”. What a good, gentle guy. Thoughts and prayers for Ginger and the family.*

Melanie Reising - August 22, 2020 at 12:34 PM

CF

“ *Carol Keil Fechtmeister lit a candle in memory of Larry J. Boots Sr.*



Carol Keil Fechtmeister - August 22, 2020 at 12:28 AM

EK

“ *Thinking of you and your family*

Erik Knaebel - August 21, 2020 at 05:36 PM

SE

“ *My condolences to the entire Boots family, from Eckels family. You are in our prayers.*

Sandra Eckels - August 21, 2020 at 04:37 PM

BK

“ *To the Boots family: my sincere sympathy for your lost. Berta Kares.*

Berta Kares - August 21, 2020 at 04:13 PM

JK

“ *So sorry for your loss Ginger 🥺 my prayers are with you and your family.*

jennifer knaebel - August 21, 2020 at 02:15 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Larry J. Boots Sr..*



August 21, 2020 at 01:11 PM



“ 96 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Pierre Funeral Home - August 21, 2020 at 12:31 PM

KH

“ To Gerard and Terri Boots, Tina and Joe Wright, Marty and I send our deepest sympathies for the loss of your brother! We would pay our respects in person but Marty is under a 14 day house quarantine per Dr. for surgery on Sept. 1. Our Thoughts and Prayers are with you!

Sincerely
Kent and Marty Hollander

Kent Hollander - August 20, 2020 at 09:08 PM

MH

“ Dear Virginia & Family.
You probably don't know me, but Larry and I were best friends during high school. I lived about a half mile from his home. I will always remember walking down the road to his house. We would spend the days hunting rabbits or birds with that old basset hound that he had. Often times I was able to stay and have lunch or dinner with is mom ans dad. I now live in Illinois and often think of those times we hunted together and have passed those stories on to my friends and grandchildren. I am so sorry for your loss and extend my deepest sympathies.

Sincerely,
Mike Helfrich

Mike Helfrich - August 20, 2020 at 02:54 PM

LA

“ Larry was a classmate of ours. . He is the originator of the "Boots Dynasty" at Mater Dei. Our prayers and condolences go out to his family and friends. PAX TECUM,Larry. Leonard"Larry" and Carolyn(Knapp)Adams

Leonard R. Adams - August 20, 2020 at 02:50 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Larry J. Boots Sr..



August 20, 2020 at 12:17 PM

BS

“Ginger, so sorry for your loss. My grandkids loved Pappaw Larry
JR and Barbara Sinnett

Barbara and Jr Sinnett - August 19, 2020 at 09:41 PM