



Robert E. LaFontaine

October 19, 1933 - December 13, 2019

Robert E. LaFontaine, age 86, of Bradley passed away Friday, December 13, 2019 at AMITA St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee. He was born October 19, 1933 in Kankakee, the son of Eugene E. & Marion (Minor) Lafontaine. Robert married Regina A. Grant on September 20, 1958 in Pleasure Ridge Park, KY.

Robert LaFontaine passed away suddenly Friday morning, November 13. With his passing, his wife Regina lost a loving husband of 61 years; his three daughters, Lisa, Patti and Jeanine, lost their beloved father; Kankakee County lost an active member of the community, and the Cubs and Bears lost a life-long fan.

Bob served in the US Army at Ft. Knox, where he met the love of his life, and in 1958, he married Regina Grant of Louisville, KY. He retired from the Kankakee Water Company after 35 years of service. He was a past president of the Kankakee Exchange Club and St. Joseph's Holy Name Society, a volunteer at AMITA St. Mary's, and a member of the Bradley Police Pension Board. He so enjoyed his second career — working for 17 years with the Schreffler Funeral Home family.

He leaves three beautiful daughters and their families: Lisa and Brad Black of Chicago, Patricia and Neal Seidenberg of Ft. Collins, CO and Jeanine and Mark Paschke, also of Ft. Collins. He will also be missed by his six brilliant

and hard-working grandchildren, Nicholas and Madeline Black, Alex and Ethan Seidenberg, and Jack and Ella Paschke.

Bob loved a good story and a good Manhattan, and Sundays at 4:00 with his cousin, Tom Minor and his wife, Judy, will never be the same. So... gather together with your family and friends — at 4:00 on a Sunday, or any time — fix yourselves a good cocktail, tell each other stories, enjoy each other's company and think of Bob.

To join us in remembering, visitation will be held from 4-8 pm, Monday, December 16, at Schreffler Funeral Home in Bourbonnais. A funeral mass will be celebrated at 11 am Tuesday, December 17 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Bradley. Burial will follow at All Saints Cemetery in Bourbonnais.

Cemetery Details

All Saints Cemetery

1839 W. State Rte. 102
Bourbonnais, IL 60914

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 16. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Schreffler Funeral Home - Bourbonnais Chapel
1100 N. Convent St.
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 932-2421

Funeral Mass

DEC 17. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church
211 N. Center
Bradley, IL 60915
(815) 939-3573

Tribute Wall



“ *Robert E. LaFontaine*

February 03, 2023 at 04:30 AM



“ *Bob and my husband, Jerry Noe, worked together at the water company. Regina and family, I am so sorry about his passing. I just saw it on the obituaries.*

Penny & Jerry Noe - December 28, 2019 at 04:15 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the entire family. I worked with Bob for 35 years at the Water Co. He was truly one of the "good guys" - always ready to help someone out. He will be missed.*

Julie Glassford - December 16, 2019 at 02:43 PM



“ *Our deepest condolences to the entire family. Bob was the best neighbor anyone could have. I'll miss our weekly chats and conversations.*

Jon and Page Hinkleman & family - December 16, 2019 at 10:09 AM

JG

“ Regina and all
I will always remember all the times we spent when we were kids with the girls, you and Bob at Grandma's house and I regret that I didn't get to spend more time with you all in the past few Years. You Guys have always been there with mom and dad, and I am sure they are there now. Bob will surly be missed. Ange and I send our most heartfelt sympathies. We will keep him in our prayers.

jerry and Angela Grant - December 15, 2019 at 08:38 PM

JD

“ Regina:
Mary and send our deepest sympathy to you and your family. I will always remember
Bob, as he was the first person I met when I started at the water company. He was truly one of the greatest friends I have ever had.
May God bless him and all your family.
Joe

Joe Donovan - December 15, 2019 at 05:00 PM



“ Memories 44" Sonnet was purchased for the family of Robert E. LaFontaine.



December 15, 2019 at 12:52 PM

JM

“ Our love to Regina and the extended family. Our girls grew up together in grade and high school. Most of our best memories are with Bob and Regina. We traveled together, cruised together, many nights of cards and New Years Evenings spent together. Our hearts break that we can't be their to share our love. We send our love and prayers for Regina and family. Blessings and Comfort.

Jan & Bob Montague, Auburndale, FL.

Janice Montague - December 13, 2019 at 04:14 PM

CD

Oh Regina I am so sorry to see this notice on FB. He was always such a kind & good hearted man with a great laugh. I know he's had a few hard years & you were a great care giver. May he Rest In Peace & no longer in pain. Please let the girls how sorry we are. 🙏 for all of you. ❤️

Camille & Greg DuBois - December 15, 2019 at 05:51 PM

RS

Bob was my customer at the water company. We became good friends as well. We shared stories about my golf partner Vic. My prayers are with your family Bob Smith Port St Lucie Fl

Robert A. Smith - December 16, 2019 at 10:29 AM