



Vernon T. Langley Jr.

July 4, 1929 - August 3, 2013

Vern Langley, 84, of Saint Germain, WI passed away on August 3, 2013 at his home surrounded by his family. He was born on July 4, 1929, in Quincy, MA, the son of Vernon and Gertrude Langley. He was preceded in death by his sister, Joan Ireland and his two beloved dogs, Tahoe and Hooch. He is survived by his wife of 38 years, Arlene, daughters Karla Cleveland (David), Karen Dirienzo, Kathy Kimbro, Holly Langley, Jennifer Logston (John Kahovec), Rebekkah Post (Chris) and sons James Langley and John Langley (Rhonda); 14 grandchildren and 1 great grandson. If you ask his children they would say, "He is the greatest man who ever lived!" Vern was in the Naval Reserve while in high school. After high school he began his college career which was put on hold when he was drafted into the Army during the Korean Conflict. After being discharged from the Army he returned to college and completed his degree in Elementary Education. He taught sixth grade before becoming a principal in Downers Grove, Illinois. Thirty years later he retired from education and changed careers becoming an over-the-road trucker for North American Van Lines. He and his faithful dog Tahoe enjoyed this career together logging over one million miles, crossing the United States many times until he retired again at age 70. In retirement he and his wife moved to the Northwoods of Wisconsin where he enjoyed his home on the lake which provided many hours of fun for the visits of his 8 children and their families. People would say of Vern, "He is the busiest retired person I've ever met." Vern became a model train enthusiast and built a large layout which he and

his wife spent many hours constructing. He loved to tell visitors about the histories of his steam engines. A memorial service will be held at Bolger's Funeral Home in Woodruff on Thursday August 8, 2013 at 5:00. The service will be immediately followed by a light meal and refreshments.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

AUG 8. 5:00 PM (CT)

Bolger Cremation & Funeral Services - Woodruff Chapel

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Tribute Wall

JC

“ *Arlene and family -
We were so sorry to hear of Vern's passing. I remember years ago how the mood in the Prager office would lighten when Vern stepped in! He and Tahoe would walk together through the building, always happy, friendly and upbeat! Years later you both opened your home to us when we came up north and we've never forgotten your hospitality!
He will be so missed, and you will all be in our prayers.
Jeannie & Kevin Coe and family*

Jeannie Coe - August 12, 2013 at 09:03 AM

DR

“ *Please accept our deepest sympathies during this very difficult time of loss. We share your sadness; may you find comfort in each other as you share your very precious memories of husband, father, grandfather, your special beloved one.
Kurt and Debbie Rekau*



Debbie Rekau - August 11, 2013 at 02:16 PM

RC

“ *Renee, Danielle, Jen and all staff at CAPS purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Vernon T. Langley Jr..*



Renee, Danielle, Jen and all staff at CAPS - August 08, 2013 at 12:40 PM

BR

“ *BETSY RAPPA lit a candle in memory of Vernon T. Langley Jr.*



BETSY RAPPA - August 08, 2013 at 12:16 PM

MB

“ *Arlene, you have my deepest sympathies; I just saw in the Vilas paper. I am so sorry to hear of Vern's passing. He was such a nice person, and was one of my favorite customers at the electronics store. I will never forget the day I came over and he so proudly and patiently showed off his basement train display and showed me how he implemented the parts I sold to him. I would so much like to be there today to pay my respects but have to be at work. You're in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Michael Berndt
Three Lakes, WI*

Michael Berndt - August 08, 2013 at 09:47 AM

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“ *We have been blessed to have known Vern for about 20 years. Frank first met Vern through work at North American Van Lines. We had in common our love for the north woods and found his home in St. Germain. Vern and Arlene opened up their home to us and treated us like we were family. They shared with us so many good times that we couldn't wait to come back to visit. Vern insisted that we stay with them while we searched all over the north woods for our own place. We decided we couldn't go too far, so we moved in just down the street from them!
Our deepest condolences to Arlene and the family. We will greatly miss Vern but remember all that he taught us.*

Frank and Kathy Reinhardt - August 07, 2013 at 10:10 PM

VG

“ When I reflect back on my childhood I always think of the Langleys. Mr., was a prominent, positive, fun, loving role model. While I was never his student in school he taught me many things like; a 6 bedroom house will never be empty if you welcome all your childrens friends, big garages are meant to be filled up with toys for all ages, you can have 2 different careers and love them equally but most important he taught me how to ride a motorcycle and this made him the coolest friends dad ever! Mr Langley touched my life and will live on in my memories and heart forever!

Vicki Vevera Goedert - August 06, 2013 at 08:57 PM

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John Nolan - August 06, 2013 at 10:42 AM

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John Nolan - August 06, 2013 at 10:37 AM

Art
Rummler

“ I only knew Vern for a few years, but I thought he was a kind person with a keen mind and a big heart. I know he loved his family very much. There are those people in life who enrich the lives of others just by being themselves. Vern was one of those people. I feel fortunate to have met him. Art Rummler, Downers Grove, Illinois.



Art Rummler - August 06, 2013 at 09:39 AM



“ I lived with Vern and Arlene after college in Downers Grove. Karen and I were both working nights at Rosie O'Grady's and I also worked retail during the day and Vern was concerned that I didn't have time to eat with the family so he wanted to make a bag lunch for me every day to make sure I had something to eat...that was the kind of man he was..always making sure everyone was taken care of. He will be grately missed. God Bless you Vern and thanks for the memories. Dawn Dollerschell

Dawn D'Angelo Dollerschell - August 05, 2013 at 10:26 PM

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Sue Cleveland - August 05, 2013 at 06:21 PM