



## Jay Jerome Runyan

October 28, 1968 - September 24, 2013

Jay J. Runyan, age 44 of Crown Point (LOFS), formerly of Schererville, passed away on September 24, 2013. Jay was a graduate of Lake Central HS Class of 1986. He served in the U.S. Air Force during Operation Desert Storm. He was a member of The Roofer's Union Local 26 and spent most of his career working for Korellis Roofing, the Ross Group and the Gluth Brothers Roofing Company. Jay was a great husband and father and will be greatly missed. He was preceded in death by his father-William Sr.; two brothers-Ronald Runyan and Jonathan Kelloge. Jay is survived by his wife-Nichole Runyan; son-Joshua Runyan; three brothers-Wayne Runyan, Michael Runyan, William Runyan Jr.; three sisters- Barbara (Kelloge) Patton, Vicki Runyan, Wendy Runyan; mother-Joann (Waters) Runyan; mother-in-law-Sandra Bozell; two sister-in-laws-Veronica (Bozell) Dyktra, Rennae Eldred; 2 brother-in-laws-Kevin Eldred, William Dyksta. Friends may visit with Jay's family on September 30th from 3-7 pm at Burns Funeral Home, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point, IN. Funeral service at 7 pm with Pastor John Starr officiating. Donations can be made to the Runyan Family Benefit Fund @The Sheet Metal Workers Credit Union (sister credit union is Tech Federal). [www.burnsfuneral.com](http://www.burnsfuneral.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **30**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Burns Funeral Home & Crematory - Crown Point  
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## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall

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“ I have frequently looked for Jay on Facebook. He came into my mind again today and I did another search. I simply cannot believe he has passed away. Jay was my best friend growing up. He was my first crush. He was there for me every day from the age of 7 until we were in high school. I have told my family and my daughter about him so many times and how he was such an amazing friend. My daughter grew up with a boy as a best friend and I always compared their relationship to myself and Jay. I'm so very sorry to see that he is gone. He was a wonderful person. While we lost touch as we grew, he was such a huge part of my life that he will always live in my heart. My deepest sympathies and prayers are going up for his family and friends. I know it has been 2 years since your loss, but I am sure that there isn't a day that goes by without you feeling Jay's loss. God bless you all.

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**Lisa (Berilla) Apikos** - October 19, 2015 at 10:22 PM

JL

“ While sitting at work this evening I googled Jay's name out of the blue and I am heartbroken to read of Jay's passing. I was a roommate of Jay's at Keesler Air Force Base, MS (Feb-Mar 1988, Administrative Specialist Tech School) and connected with Jay immediately. He was a super guy and although unfortunate that we lost contact with each other over the years I would still count him as a friend and fellow Airman. RIP Jay. You will me missed.

*John Leam  
Chicago, IL  
U.S. Air Force (Dec 1987 - Dec 2011)*

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**John Leam** - October 19, 2014 at 12:35 AM



*That's what I did too John....earlier this year and I was heartbroken as well. We knew each other after high school and I had picked him up from the airport and drove him home when he was honorably discharged from the Air Force. Lost touch after that but I just couldn't believe it either.*

**Jen Crowley** - September 20, 2015 at 10:16 PM



*“ JJ was a great a great uncle, friend and father. During the little time we did spend together, I will always remember us hanging out when we were young the most. How he made me laugh, gave me a hard time, (in a good way) and what he taught me. Jay was a great man. A much better man than I could, or ever will be and he will never be forgotten. Rest In Peace Uncle Jay.*

*Wayne Runyan Jr.*

**Wayne Runyan Jr.** - October 04, 2013 at 02:49 PM

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*“ Bill And Debbie Runyan lit a candle in memory of Jay Jerome Runyan*



**Bill and Debbie Runyan** - September 30, 2013 at 01:10 PM

HA

*“ Hal Antonson purchased the Simply Elegant Spat hiphyllum for the family of Jay Jerome Runyan.*



**Hal Antonson** - September 30, 2013 at 08:59 AM

TF

“ So many memories of living next to Jay (and of course the rest of the family!). Time in the garage with Howard putting on something! He used to baby sit our three boys. I remember coming home one day to find Jay jumping over the back of the couch - they were having a ball - without considering what happened if any one of the four would get hurt! He was always so upbeat, smiling, and thinking of something new to do!! Our deepest condolences to his family.



The Bell Family - September 28, 2013 at 09:00 AM

ST

“ Offering my deepest condolences to the Runyan family for the loss of your dear loved one. May your treasured memories and the drawing ever closer to God in prayer help begin to bring you comfort during these most difficult days of sorrow. (2Cor1:3,4)(Rev21:4)

Stephanie - September 27, 2013 at 11:26 AM

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“ 1 file added to the album Runyan Family



Vicki - September 26, 2013 at 03:39 PM

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*I don't have a lot of memories that include Jay & Pat due to our unique relationship, but they were all very special (due to our unique relationship). The photo is clear in my mind - July 5, 1980. This was probably the most Runyans ever gathered together. Our small fireworks display at the lake. Love you, Jay! :o)*

vicki - September 26, 2013 at 03:59 PM

KG

*“ We have a lot of great memories of you Jay! All the late nights in the garage working on all the projects you and Rich had. Standing up in our wedding, helping Rich get where he is today in his career. We could never thank you enough for all you have done for our family. Summers in Michigan sitting by the fire or by the lake, we sure are going to miss those times we had with you and Nichole. I could go on and on with all the special times. The last time I heard your voice was walking out of your room and you said "Be Safe" I love you guys. Well we love you to Jay!!*

Karie Grisham - September 26, 2013 at 09:40 AM



*“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jay Jerome Runyan.*



September 26, 2013 at 08:59 AM

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“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



**Bill (Pat) & Carol Runyan** - September 26, 2013 at 07:11 AM

OF

*we are so sorry to hear about jay..we lived on sandi lane in schererille..our son jeff and jay had such good time together..such a sweet kid..we send our love To his family..the ostrom family*

**ostrom family** - September 29, 2013 at 02:30 PM

YP

“ *Your Loving Brother, Pat purchased the Sweet R emembrance Spray for the family of Jay Jerome Runyan.*



**Your Loving Brother, Pat** - September 25, 2013 at 07:28 PM