



Raymond E. Benjamin

January 29, 1930 - July 25, 2008

RAYMOND E. BENJAMIN, of Crown Point, passed away on Friday, July 25, 2008. He was born in East Chicago, IN to the late Carlton and Agnes Benjamin. He was a veteran of the U. S. Army and served overseas during the Korean Conflict. He was previously a member of St. Joseph the Worker in Gary, St. Stephen the Martyr in Merrillville and currently a member of Our Lady of Consolation in Merrillville. Raymond was a former Cub Scout Leader, President of the Holy Name Society, President of the Booster Club and the School Board of St. Joseph the Worker School. He coached East Glen Park Little League and CYO Basketball.

Raymond is survived by his loving wife and companion of 50 years, Virginia Mary Benjamin. He was a father, friend and example to his four sons â€“ Raymond Edward, Jr., Joseph Peter, John Patrick and William Carlton; dearest grandfather to his nine grandchildren â€“ Ashli Lin Pettibone (Benjamin), John Patrick Jr., Michael Joseph, Preston Ray, Ellen Virginia, Shelby Lin, Hayden Mark, Hallie Kate and Sharon Elise; brother to Richard and Robert; big brother to Mary Melton (Benjamin) wife of Russell Melton.

A mass of Christian Burial will be held on Monday, July 28, 2008 at 12 noon at Our Lady of Consolation Church, 8303 Taft St., Merrillville. Rev. Joseph E. Vamos officiating. Raymond will lie in state at the church from 11 until the time of service at 12 noon. Interment in Calumet Park Cemetery, Merrillville.

Friends are invited to meet with the family on Sunday, July 27, 2008 from 2-8 p.m. at Burns Funeral Home, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point. A prayer service

will be held at 3 p.m. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Retired and Infirm Loretto Nuns in care of The Institute of the Blessed Virgin Mary, P. O. Box 508, Wheaton, IL 60189-0508

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“ I happened upon this notice and my heart goes out to the family of Raymond Benjamin. Though I do not know the family I wanted to convey my sympathy and share a thought from the bible that I look to at times such as these. Our heavenly father Jehovah is a God of love and he hates to see us in pain. This thought is supported at Revelation 21:3,4, where it says, \"And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore\". I personally cannot wait for that time to come. Also we await the fulfillment of John 5:28 where it promises that all those in the memorial tombs will come out. What a time of celebration when we will be crying tears of joy instead of sorrow. I hope that you find comfort in these scriptures as I have. I again am sorry for your loss. With sympathy, Jo Edwards###imported-begin##Jo Edwards###imported-end##

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