



## Raymond Vidor Komenich

January 5, 1930 - February 1, 2010

Raymond Vidor Komenich, age 80, of Ogden Dunes, passed away February 1, 2010.

He was a graduate of Emerson High School, he attended Wabash College, and received B.S. and M.S. degrees from Indiana University. He served in the U. S. Army during the Korean Conflict. He was a member of St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Church. He held positions as teacher, administrator and Director of Personnel for the Gary Public Schools and served as Chancellor of Ivy Tech College. He belonged to the Chancellor's Society of Indiana University Northwest. For his service to the State of Indiana, he was honored as a Sagamore of the Wabash. He was active in many organizations including the Old Timers Club, Cerebral Palsy of Northwest Indiana, Club Deb, Hunkee Hollow Association and the Drifters.

He was preceded in death by his mother Mildred Komlenich and father Vidak Komlenich. He is survived by his wife, Angeline; sister, Rosemary Vuckovich; aunt, Violet Wisner; sisters-in-law: Olive Bistransky, Mary Prado and Sulima Scales; brother-in-law Robert Scales, Sr.; nieces and nephews: Dan (Terry) Vuckovich, Michael (Mary) Vuckovich, David Prado, Lisa (Mike Querry) Prado, Laura Prado, Robert (Judy) Prado and Robert (Mary Keefe) Scales.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Cerebral Palsy of

Northwest Indiana, St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Church or to the American Cancer Society.

In fulfillment of Ray's request, funeral services will be private. Burns Funeral Home, Crown Point, in charge of arrangements. For online condolences [www:burnsfuneral.com](http://www.burnsfuneral.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ Querida Profesora Komenich,

*I was saddened to read about the passing of your beloved husband. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Judy(Phillips)Zeilenga, Former Student##imported-begin##Judy (Phillips) Zeilenga##imported-end##*

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February 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ My deepest condolences to Ray's family. He was the consummate professional who also possessed the common touch that leaders have. He always had a friendly greeting for those he met. For those of us who spoke Spanish he had that special greeting.

*We have all lost a man for the ages.*

*Rest in peace my friend.##imported-begin##Ralph Gonzalez##imported-end##*

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February 05, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Ray was a great person and will be sadly missed.##imported-begin##Barb Wilson##imported-end##

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February 05, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Ray was a great person and a good customer of Nielsen and will be greatly missed.##imported-begin##Paul M Blank##imported-end##

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February 05, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ So sorry to hear about Uncle Ray\’s passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this difficult time.##imported-begin##Melanie Reusze##imported-end##

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February 05, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ To the family of Ray Komenich:

*I was saddened to learn of Ray\’s passing. He was a man of integrity, always upholding the ideals of what an educational experience Ivy Tech could be for the betterment of the community it serves.*

*May his soul rest in peace.*

*Nick Vasil/Library##imported-begin##Nick Vasil##imported-end##*

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February 05, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ To the family of Raymond Komenich, I worked with Ray over a 12 year period at Ivy Tech State College and over that time I came to respect and care for Ray. I learned of his love for his wife and garden and how much he enjoyed the outdoors. He will be truly missed by all who knew him. My prayers are with his family during this time.##imported-begin##Dr. James Dye##imported-end##

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February 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Angeline, I am deeply sorry for you loss. I never considered Ray just a customer, he was my friend who I always held in the highest regard and I too will miss him.*

*Mark Sattler###imported-begin###Mark Sattler###imported-end##*

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February 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *When Ray came to work at Ivy Tech we became friends when in our conversations we both found out he worked at the mill with my Grandfather, Andrew Kometz. He told me he had alot of respect for him and enjoyed walking to work with him many a days. Ray also knew my Aunt and Uncle which proves it is a small world. Ray became a good friend here at Ivy Tech and I take pride that I had the chance to know him. May he rest in peace.My condolences to his wife and family. God Bless all.###imported-begin###Kathy Millington###imported-end##*

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February 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Angie:*

*I was so sorry to hear about this. I just wanted to tell you that I have you in my thoughts.*

*Wishing you the very best always,*

*Adrian###imported-begin###Adrian M. Garcia###imported-end##*

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February 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ My deepest sympathy.##imported-begin##Florine Gray##imported-end##

February 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Mrs. Komenich,

*Thank you for sharing Ray with us. Kindest regards, Rob Jeffs##imported-begin##Rob Jeffs##imported-end##*

February 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ My thoughts are with you during this difficulty time.##imported-begin##Mary Bertoluzzi##imported-end##

February 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ I will never forget Ray as he was responsible for getting me a job in the Gary Community School Corporation when I had none. Everytime I pass what we knew as Country Lounge also reminds me of him. Ray was a very wonderful person and will be missed. My prayers and thoughts are with him as I am grateful for him.##imported-begin##Marlene M. Minyo##imported-end##

February 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ My deepest sympathy on the loss of Ray. He was a terrific person and always very kind to me. I thought very highly of him, and I shall miss him very much. My thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Steve McShane##imported-end##

February 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Ray,  
*You were a great man who served your family and community well.  
You will be missed by all!##imported-begin##David  
Gidcumb##imported-end##*

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February 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Angie,  
  
*my heart and thoughts are with you in this time of loss. I will always  
remember Ray and his infectious smile.  
My sincere condolences.*

*Anne Koehler##imported-begin##Anne Koehler##imported-end##*

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February 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ To the family of Ray Komenich,

*I want you to know that I have known Ray since 1993 when I started working here at Ivy Tech as the Regional Library Director, and when Dr. Cole was still Chancellor. He was always a gracious person, with a great dry sense of humor that I came to understand and enjoy over time. One of the many good memories I have of him include this: he was always helpful to me, for example, showing me little ways to improve communications, like keeping memos brief and carefully written. He was so dedicated to Ivy Tech, and he made a great difference here. My sympathies to you for such the strong person he was, and highly regarded too. I feel for your loss.*

*In deep sympathy,*

*Barb Weaver##imported-begin##Barbara Weaver##imported-end##*

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February 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ To the Family of Mr. Ray Komenich:

*You have my sincerest prayers during this time. As an employee of Ivy Tech, I had the pleasure of knowing Mr. Komenich. His pleasant smile and sincere character will be remembered.##imported-begin##Ethel Harvey##imported-end##*

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February 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ To Mrs. Komenich:

*My heartfelt sympathy to you in your time of bereavement. Mr. Komenich was not only a person who required much of himself, but also of those around him. In doing so, he made us all a little better.##imported-begin##Karen William##imported-end##*

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February 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Carolyn and I would like to extend our deepest condolences. Ray was a true friend and mentor and a credit to all that he touched.##imported-begin##Ben Luna##imported-end##

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February 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Angie,

*We are so saddened and sorry to read about Ray. He was such a wonderful man. When we think of him, he always has a big smile.*

*Our thoughts are with you and your family.*

*With sincere sympathy.*

*Joann and Bill Braman##imported-begin##Joann and Bill Braman##imported-end##*

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February 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ To the Family of Raymond Komenich,

*You have my deepest sympathy in the loss of your loved one. I know what it means to lose a husband and I can only say look to our Heavenly Father to strengthen and sustain you during this very difficult time and He will ease your burden. cherish the memories.##imported-begin##Dorothy J. Bradley##imported-end##*

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February 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Angeline, my sincere condolences. Ray was a wonderful man and he was loved by so many people. He always had kind words and his wisdom will be treasured. I pray that you and your family find peace and faith in the Lord during this difficult time. God Bless You! Frances Vega##imported-begin##Frances Vega##imported-end##*

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February 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *In addition to his many contributions to the community (education in particular) Ray was a great person to be around. We loved his sense of humor and easy-going manner. Angie, we want you and your family and kumovi to know we are thinking of you at this difficult time. We hope you all find some measure of comfort in knowing that he was loved and will be missed.##imported-begin##John & Regina Zdravich##imported-end##*

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February 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ My condolences to the family of Mr. Komenich. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of sorrow. Be blessed and be encouraged for your loved one is at peace.

Rosa Rodriguez

Ivy Tech Community Gary Campus##imported-begin##Rosa Rodriguez##imported-end##

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February 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Ray it was a pleasure to work with you over the many years. You were a straight talker and an honest man. you had a great sense of humor and always had the community to which you served in mind.i will miss you my friend.##imported-begin##paul hernandez##imported-end##

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February 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Angeline:

They just don't make good men like Ray, anymore. Please accept my deepest sympathy.

Your former Junior High student,

\\"Arturo\\" Yagodnik##imported-begin##Art Yagodnik##imported-end##

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