



Roger Dean Rister

December 8, 1959 - November 27, 2017

Roger Dean Rister, age 57 of Crown Point, (LOFS) formerly of Gary passed away suddenly at home on November 27, 2017. He was a graduate of Merrillville High School, Class of 1978. Roger received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Environmental Safety and Safety Management from Indiana State University. He was presently employed as a Safety Manager for Parson's Corporation in Chicago. Roger was an OSHA 30 instructor and had numerous other safety certifications. Roger was an usher at Holy Spirit Church in Winfield. He was a member of the LOFS Golf Club, was a Chicago sports fan, and coached many youth sports leagues for his children. Roger was a loving husband, father, grandfather, son, and brother. He was preceded in death by his father- Jack Rister in 2003; in-laws- John and Harriet Zygmunt. Roger is survived by his wife of 31 years- MaryAnn "Ziggy" (nee Zygmunt); daughter- Stephanie (Evan) Burns of Westfield, IN; son- Matthew "The Boy" Rister (fiancé Emily LaMere) of Indianapolis; grandson- Charlie Burns; mother- Wilma Rister of LOFS; sister- Patti (Larry) Ahrendt of FL; brother- Greg (Annie) Rister of Linden IN; brother-in-law- Tom Zygmunt of Merrillville. Friends may visit with Roger's family at Burns Funeral Home 10101 Broadway, Crown Point, IN on Friday, December 1, 2017 from 2-8 p.m. Funeral service will begin with prayers at 9:15 a.m. from Burns on Saturday, December 2, 2017, proceeding to Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 7667 E. 109th Ave, Crown Point for a 10 a.m. Mass of Christian Burial. Rev. Thomas Mischler officiating. Interment Chapel Lawn Cemetery. www.burnsfuneral.com

Cemetery Details

Chapel Lawn Memorial Gardens

8178 Cline Ave
Schererville, IN 46375

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 1. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Burns Funeral Home & Crematory - Crown Point
10101 Broadway
Crown Point, IN 46307
(219) 769-0044
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Visitation

DEC 2. 9:15 AM (CT)

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Mass of Christian Burial

DEC 2. 10:00 AM (CT)

Holy Spirit Catholic Church
7667 E 109th Ave
Crown Point, IN

Tribute Wall



“ *Gina White lit a candle in memory of Roger Dean Rister*



Gina White - December 08, 2017 at 01:19 AM



"DEAREST MARYANN., Children and family.,i am truly sorry and deeply sadden at the loss of your husband.,father.,and Loved one.May God grant him "Eternal Rest o lord"...may perpetual light shine upon him.,may he rest in peace eternally with our God and Savior and all the angels and saints.Maryann.,it has been a long time since ST.MARK'S School...just to let you know i am praying for you and your family for comfort and solace....Love.,Gina (VASILE) WHITE...xoxoxo

Gina White - December 08, 2017 at 01:28 AM

PO

“ *Very sorry for loss. Roger safety trained me in Sept. of 2016, and was the kind of person everyone liked as soon as they met him. Our Prayers are with your family.*

Pat ORourke

Patrick ORourke - December 01, 2017 at 03:41 PM

JW

I grew up with Roger in Merrillville and have wonderful memories of him and his Family. I will say a prayer for the Family for strength and comfort.

Jim Wojkovich

Jim Wojkovich - December 11, 2017 at 10:46 PM

CS

“ *Connie Schleicher-Schaafsma lit a candle in memory of Roger Dean Rister*



Connie Schleicher-Schaafsma - December 01, 2017 at 10:01 AM

JP

“ *Jim Witmer, Parsons purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Roger Dean Rister.*



Jim Witmer, Parsons - November 30, 2017 at 07:52 PM

AM

“ *I'm so very sorry to hear about your loss, you and your entire family will continue to be in my prayers, eternal rest grant unto him o Lord.....*

Angie Miller - November 30, 2017 at 03:11 PM

KS

“ *Kathleen Smith purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Roger Dean Rister.*



Kathleen Smith - November 30, 2017 at 02:41 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Roger Dean Rister.*



November 30, 2017 at 01:41 PM



“ *Sent with love & remembrance. purchased the Fa
irest of All for the family of Roger Dean Rister.*



Sent with love & remembrance. - November 30, 2017 at 01:06 PM



“ *Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Roger Dean Rister.*



November 30, 2017 at 12:10 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Roger Dean Rister.*



November 30, 2017 at 10:01 AM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Roger Dean Rister.*



November 30, 2017 at 06:22 AM



“ *BRAD AND BRANDON WHITEHEAD purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Roger Dean Rister.*



BRAD AND BRANDON WHITEHEAD - November 29, 2017 at 06:55 PM



“ *Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Roger Dean Rister.*



November 29, 2017 at 06:33 PM



“ *Ziggy you and your wonderful family are in our prayers! God bless....Kathy & Bruce Schooler*

Bruce Schooler - November 29, 2017 at 06:16 PM



My condolences, Roger was a great guy to work with.

Ryan Holbrook - November 29, 2017 at 07:18 PM

LT

“ To Patti, Wilma and the rest of Rogers family, so sorry to hear of Rogers sudden passing. My brother and Roger played sports together as youths as well as all us kids going to Anco picnics etc. Good memories. Please know that you have many friends who are here for you all.

Liz Thomas - November 29, 2017 at 05:47 PM

AC

“ My heart felt condolence to MaryAnn and family. May the light of God shine on Roger.
Sincerely, Tony Cammarata

Antonino Cammarata - November 29, 2017 at 05:00 PM

JK

“ Joanna, Dana, and Kenzia purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Roger Dean Rister.



Joanna, Dana, and Kenzia - November 29, 2017 at 03:35 PM

DB

“ I am truly sorry for your loss. Roger will be missed and he will never be forgotten, may his soul rest in peace. My heartfelt condolences go out to the family.



Danny Beniwal - November 29, 2017 at 03:14 PM

KM

“ *Kathi Marshall lit a candle in memory of Roger Dean Rister*



Kathi Marshall - November 29, 2017 at 03:06 PM

RS

“ *Ron Stevens purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Roger Dean Rister.*



Ron Stevens - November 29, 2017 at 02:51 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Roger Dean Rister.*



November 29, 2017 at 11:56 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Roger Dean Rister.*



November 29, 2017 at 10:00 AM

KW

“ Prayers to your family during this difficult time!

Kaitlin Wool - November 28, 2017 at 10:47 PM

DF

Dear patti and family, my heart goes out to you during this difficult time. God bless all of you.

Donna faulkner - November 29, 2017 at 02:09 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Roger Dean Rister.



November 28, 2017 at 09:36 PM

RM

“ Roxanne Myers lit a candle in memory of Roger Dean Rister



Roxanne Myers - November 28, 2017 at 09:19 PM



“ Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Roger Dean Rister.



November 28, 2017 at 09:14 PM

DS

“ Dorothy Sullivan lit a candle in memory of Roger Dean Rister



Dorothy Sullivan - November 28, 2017 at 07:28 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Roger Dean Rister.



November 28, 2017 at 07:13 PM