



## Bernard Kenney Cooper

February 7, 1936 - February 16, 2016

Bernard Kenny Cooper, surrounded by his family, went home to present his final salute to our Lord on February 16, 2016. Bernie was born to the late Mary and IJ “Coop” Cooper on February 7, 1936, in Indianapolis, IN.

Bernie graduated from Cathedral High School class of 1954 and from the University of Notre Dame class of 1958. Upon graduation, he entered the Marine Corp becoming 1st Lieutenant, Commander of the 2nd Platoon, H Company, 2nd Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division. He lived his life by the motto “Attitude is Everything”, and Semper Fi to his family and friends.

Bernie was the former owner of All Star Tire, a member of the former Indianapolis Athletic Club, former member of Junto, member of the American Business Club, Wawasee Ski Club, Notre Dame Club of Indianapolis, and Kiwanis where he received the Career Award in 2011. In addition to these clubs, and the source of his greatest happiness, was time spent in the company of his family and friends. His gentle, loving and endearing spirit was a blessing and will be deeply missed.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley Jane Kingen-Cooper, of Indianapolis, IN; sister, Ellen Riddle, of Indianapolis; his five children, Kathleen (James) Sweeney of Indianapolis, Cynthia (Timothy) Kelly of Fort Mill, SC, Jeanne

(Matthew) Kelsch of Carmel, IN, Christopher Cooper of Indianapolis, and Anne (Scott) Chamness of Indianapolis; daughter-in-law, Sherri Kingen (Brad) Arnold of Avon, IN; his 19 grandchildren, and 4 great grandchildren.

Visitation will be held from 5:00PM – 8:00PM, followed by a rosary prayer service on Thursday, February 25, 2016 at Holy Spirit Parish at Geist Catholic Church, 10350 Glaser Way in Fishers, IN.

A funeral Mass will also be held at Holy Spirit Parish at Geist at 11:00AM on Friday, February 26, 2016.

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting donations be made to Indiana Parkinson Foundation, 9669 East 146th Street, Suite 180, Noblesville, IN 46060.

# Cemetery Details

## Oaklawn Memorial Gardens

9700 Allisonville Rd.  
Indianapolis, IN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **25**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Holy Spirit at Geist Catholic Church  
10350 Glaser Way  
Fishers, IN 46037

## Rosary

FEB **25**. 8:00 PM (ET)

Holy Spirit at Geist Catholic Church  
10350 Glaser Way  
Fishers, IN 46037

## Mass of Christian Burial

FEB **26**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Holy Spirit at Geist Catholic Church  
10350 Glaser Way  
Fishers, IN 46037



# Tribute Wall

BL

“ I knew Bernie, his son Chris and a few of Bernie's nephews (John and Dave). Bernie is a fine man and I will always remember his smile. I met him in a business group and easily befriended him. Sorry I can not get there to pay tribute to this fine man- but know I am thinking of Bernie and his family at this time.

*Brian Lyons*

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**Brian Lyons** - February 25, 2016 at 10:13 AM

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**Judy Kleck** - February 25, 2016 at 07:28 AM

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“ Ed and Agnes Hannah Friel



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**Agnes Hannah Friel** - February 25, 2016 at 07:18 AM

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“ *Family,*

*I will celebrate a Mass for Bernie at Cathedral on Friday.  
You have my prayers.*

*Fr. John Zahn*

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**John Zahn** - February 24, 2016 at 09:00 AM



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**Shirley Brothers Mortuaries & Crematory** - February 22, 2016 at 01:42 PM

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“ *Beth Linder lit a candle in memory of Bernard  
Kenney Cooper*



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**Beth Linder** - February 21, 2016 at 09:29 PM

ED

“ Dear Jane and family, we were very saddened to hear of Bernie's passing. We fondly remember our outing with you and the Masche's on the boat. It was a beautiful day and time and a moment to get to know Bernie and you better. What a gracious and wise man he was, yet very humble, kind, affectionate and loving. What a joy that must have been to experience that your whole lives with him. Please remember in your longing for him, he is not gone, only his body, but his spirit and love remains in your hearts forever. Until that moment, in that twinkling of an eye, when we pass from this world to the next, that you will see one another again in that mansion that God has prepared for us all. Love much, Eileen and Jack Dressler

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**Eileen and Jack Dressler** - February 21, 2016 at 11:06 AM