



## Lawrence "Larry" Edward Sullivan

November 8, 1929 - January 27, 2020

Lawrence Edward Sullivan,

Age 90, was reunited with his creator on January 27, 2020. Larry was born November 8, 1929 and graduated from St. Francis de Sales grade school and Arsenal Technical High School. After serving in the navy, he obtained a bachelors and graduate degree from Butler University. His interest in science led to a career as a chemist at the Indiana State Department of Health with 42 years of service in various roles, including the Director of Food and Drug.

In 1958, he married Judith Griggs in their senior year at Butler University and enjoyed 61 years together with his wife and family. Larry was a lifelong learner and an avid reader of science and history, resulting in quite the compilation of books. He dedicated his life to ministry in the Catholic Church serving as an usher for over 33 years at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church and SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral. He had a passion for Catholic education and served on the Indianapolis East Deanery Board of Education and the Archdiocesan Board of Education. Larry was also an active member of the American Chemical Society.

Larry leaves behind his wife of 61 years, Judith Sullivan; and five children, Michael (Mary), Amy (Ty), Mark, John (Stacey) and Bonny (Stephen). He will be honored through the lives of his five grandchildren, Mark, Holly, Claire, Lydia and Addison; step-grandchildren, Megan, Devin and Colin; and three great-grandchildren, Owen, Princeton and Tinslie. Larry is also survived by his sister, Colleen M. McVay.

Visitation will be Friday, January 31, 2020 from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Irving Hill Chapel, 5377 East Washington Street. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Saturday at 11:00 a.m. at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral, 1347 North Meridian Street, with visitation there one hour prior. Interment will follow at Crown Hill Cemetery, 700 West 38th Street. A luncheon will follow the interment at the Cathedral Rectory adjacent to the church.

Memorial contributions may be made to SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral, 1347 North Meridian St., Indianapolis, IN 46202 and/or the Alzheimer's Association, 50 East 91st Street, Indianapolis, IN 46240.

Larry will be missed by many and remembered for his kind and humble manner.

# Cemetery Details

## Crown Hill Cemetery

700 W. 38th St.  
Indianapolis, IN 46208

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 31. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Irving Hill Chapel  
5377 E. Washington St.  
Indianapolis, IN 46219  
(317) 357-1181  
info@shirleybrothers.com  
<https://www.shirleybrothers.com>

## Visitation

FEB 1. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral  
1347 North Meridian Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46202

## **Mass of Christian Burial**

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FEB 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral  
1347 North Meridian Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46202

# Tribute Wall



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Lawrence "Larry" Edward Sullivan.*



January 31, 2020 at 11:54 PM



“ *Kay and David purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Lawrence "Larry" Edward Sullivan.*



**Kay and David** - January 31, 2020 at 01:20 PM



“ *The McVays, Browns, Sparks & Shumakers purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Lawrence "Larry" Edward Sullivan.*



**The McVays, Browns, Sparks & Shumakers** - January 30, 2020 at 01:05 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Lawrence "Larry" Edward Sullivan.*



January 29, 2020 at 09:54 PM



“ Larry was a quiet constant of my childhood. He and Judi were my neighbors when I lived in Irvington. Judi was dance and light and Larry was the calm advice and a gentle smile. I later worked with Larry at the Board of Health and got to see the scientist at work. He was just as calm and confident in his job, as he was in every aspect of his life. It was an honor and a privilege to know Larry. My deepest sympathies to his family.

*Alice Godby-Schwab*

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**Ali Godby-Schwab** - January 29, 2020 at 03:31 PM



“ I had the pleasure and honor of working with Larry for a number of years at the State Board of Health. He was an outstanding manager and scientist, and an extraordinarily decent guy. My deepest condolences to the Sullivan family. He will be missed. - Steve DeMougin

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**Steve DeMougin** - January 29, 2020 at 09:11 AM



“ Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Lawrence "Larry" Edward Sullivan.



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January 29, 2020 at 08:48 AM