



Russell E. Kinnaman

March 20, 1930 - September 24, 2017

Russell E. Kinnaman, 87, formerly of New Castle, went home to be with the Lord on the afternoon of Sunday, September 24, 2017 at The Hearth at Stones Crossing in Greenwood.

He was born March 20, 1930, in Pleasant Plains, Illinois, a son of the late Albert G. and Bernice (Brown) Kinnaman.

Russ was a 1949 graduate of Knightstown High School. He married Joyce R. (Baker) Kinnaman on September 5, 1953 and together they enjoyed 56 years of marriage. Russ attended Purdue University and Wayne State University. He worked for Chrysler Corporation for 37 years mostly in executive personnel management in Indiana, Michigan and Geneva, Switzerland. He served in the US Army from 1951- 1953 in Europe during the Korean Conflict. Russ loved working with people, mentoring, personal evangelism and working with youth groups. He served on various church boards, The New Castle-Henry County Chamber of Commerce and was the chairman of a church building program. He taught Adult Sunday School class and served as Sunday School Superintendent. Russ also served on the advisory board for the Free Methodist Conference. He enjoyed spending summers in Michigan and winters in Florida.

Those left to cherish Russ's memory include his loving wife, Bonnie

Mulholland-Kinnaman, whom he married on May 5, 2011; four children, Nancy (Aaron) Hazzard of Lafayette, Karen (Dennis) Hawkins of Greenwood, John (Jennifer) Kinnaman of Anthem, AZ and Jim (Diana) Kinnaman of Hagerstown; his spouse's children, Susan Mulholland of Davison, MI, Roy (Dawn) Mulholland of Greenville, IL and Annette (David) Juhlin of Madison, WI; grandchildren, Matt (Lindsey) Hazzard, Lindsay (Derek) Payne, Katy and Annie Hawkins, Mark and Megan Kinnaman, Cameron and Courtney Kinnaman, Joshua Mulholland, Ryan (Chelsie) Mulholland, Aaron (Haley) Mulholland, Justin Mulholland, Caleb Mulholland, Sarah (Joel) Whitney, Grace Juhlin, and Emily Juhlin; six great-grandchildren; sister, Betty (Warren) Hill of New Castle, brother, Albert Leon (Joyce) Kinnaman of Knightstown and sister, Ruth (Ray) Pilarski of North Vernon and numerous beloved nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Joyce R. (Baker) Kinnaman; a granddaughter, Lauren Kinnaman and his spouse's son, Gary Mulholland.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 pm Saturday, September 30, 2017 at Sproles Family Funeral Home with Rev. Nelson Brandymore and Rev. Ted Malone officiating. Burial will follow in Glen Cove Cemetery in Knightstown.

The family will receive friends from 4 - 8 pm on Friday and one hour prior to the service Saturday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Gideon's International. You may send the family a personal condolence at www.sprolesfamilycares.com.

The Sproles family and staff are honored to serve the family of Russell E. Kinnaman.

Cemetery Details

Glen Cove Cemetery

8875 S. St. Rd. 109
Knightstown, IN 46148

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **29**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Sproles Family Funeral Home
2400 S Memorial Dr
New Castle, IN 47362
(765) 521-2400
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Visitation

SEP **30**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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Service

SEP **30**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

PH

“ I always looked forward to seeing Russ, Joy, and Bonnie, when I knew they were coming to Arizona for a visit. Although we did not get much time together, it was still special to see my friends. He always called me daughter, and I called him dad. I will truly miss him, and will think of him often, but I know I will see him again one day in Heaven. Rest in peace, Russ. Your friend, Pat Hill

Pat Hill - September 30, 2017 at 01:20 PM

JD

“ Having worked with Russell at the New Castle Chrysler Plant, I remember him as being a man of integrity and positive nature. In my thirty plus years of tenure with Chrysler, Russell was the best of the Personnel Managers. It was a joy and a pleasure to know him.
John Dillman

John Dillman - September 29, 2017 at 01:44 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Life Tributes



Sproles Family Funeral Home - September 29, 2017 at 11:20 AM



“ *Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Russell E. Kinnaman.*



September 29, 2017 at 10:58 AM



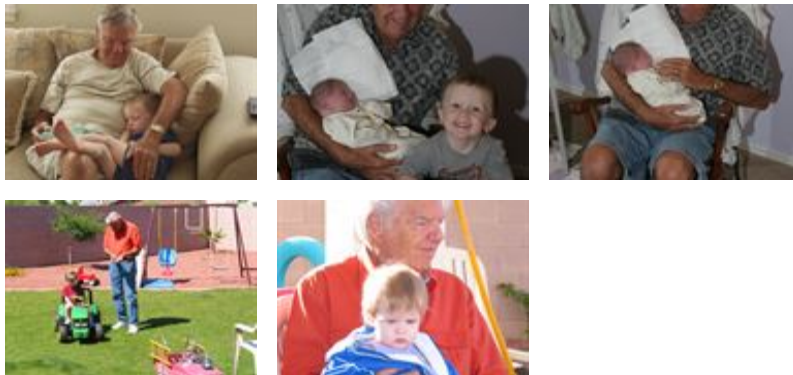
“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Russell E. Kinnaman.*



September 29, 2017 at 09:27 AM



“ *118 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Sproles Family Funeral Home - September 29, 2017 at 07:31 AM

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aaron - September 29, 2017 at 03:06 AM

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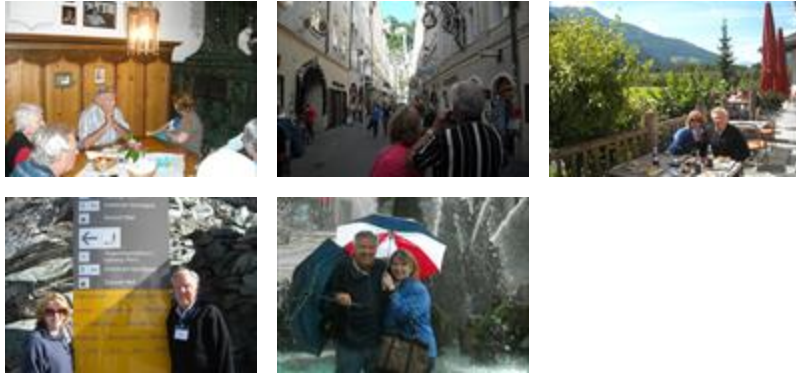
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aaron - September 29, 2017 at 02:58 AM

AA

“ 5 files added to the album *Alpine explorer*



aaron - September 29, 2017 at 02:54 AM

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“ 3 files added to the album *Alpine explorer*



aaron - September 29, 2017 at 02:51 AM

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“ 4 files added to the album *Anthem*



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aaron - September 29, 2017 at 02:46 AM

RC

“ *Jim, so sorry to hear of your dad's passing. Thinking of you, Diana, and your family. Sending prayers for peace and strength to face the coming days.*

Rita (Ferrell) Crider - September 28, 2017 at 11:03 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Russell E. Kinnaman.*



September 28, 2017 at 09:32 PM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Russell E. Kinnaman.*



September 28, 2017 at 03:41 PM



“ *We feel glad to have met Russ at Light and Life Park. He was a wonderful man.*

Gene and Jewell clem - September 28, 2017 at 09:22 AM



“ *Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Russell E. Kinnaman.*



September 28, 2017 at 08:20 AM



“ *Cathy, John, Tasha, Jessica, Darren & Kids purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Russell E. Kinnaman.*



Cathy, John, Tasha, Jessica, Darren & Kids - September 28, 2017 at 08:04 AM

DJ

“ I never knew your Father but he seemed like an amazing man full of Gods word. You were blessed to have him in your lives for as long as you did. Lots of wonderful memories to share forever. You will miss him everyday of your life. Prayers for peace and strength, Love always, Dianna and Bob Jaqua

Dianna Jaqua - September 28, 2017 at 06:50 AM

MF

“ Dear Bonnie and family,
All of us at Light and Life Park will miss Russ, for so many reasons.. He always welcomed us to church with a smile and a "good morning". Our prayers are with you. Blessings. With love, Jack and Margie Foster

Mr. and Mrs. John Foster - September 27, 2017 at 08:08 PM

JB

“ you were a good man russ enjoyed working with at chrysler i know you will be missed buy a lot of friends R.I.P.

jerry ballenger - September 27, 2017 at 07:11 PM



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Nancy Hazzard - September 27, 2017 at 02:16 PM

DC

“ *Diana L Clapp lit a candle in memory of Russell E. Kinnaman*



Diana L Clapp - September 27, 2017 at 12:32 AM

WM

“ *"Blessed is the man whose trust is in the Lord - who finds great joy in doing His will. - His righteousness endures forever, and his name will be lifted high in honor". Our thoughts and prayers to family and friends as you celebrate a life well lived - and Russ' Graduation To Glory. 'Well Done Good And Faithful Servant'! - Wes and Peggy Mack*

Wes and Prggy Mack - September 26, 2017 at 10:45 PM

LJ

“ *Love always, Dianna and Bob Jaqua purchased the Amazing Grace 44" Sonnet for the family of Russell E. Kinnaman.*



Love always, Dianna and Bob Jaqua - September 26, 2017 at 09:40 PM

PB

“ *Russ was a genuinely nice man who loved to serve others and we were blessed to know him.*

Paul and Myra Burk - September 26, 2017 at 09:28 PM

MH

“ *Matthew, Lindsey, Juliana, Anderson Hazzard purchased the Heavenly Sentiments Spray for the family of Russell E. Kinnaman.*



Matthew, Lindsey, Juliana, Anderson Hazzard - September 26, 2017 at 08:37 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Russell E. Kinnaman.*



September 26, 2017 at 02:19 PM



“ Nancy, Karen, John, & Jim,

...So many fond, rich memories from my childhood, teen and young adult years of your family and your father I hardly know where to start. What a blessing that I could call him my second daddy!

Even the reprimands when Karen and I did something a little bit stupid were given with love, sometimes even a twinkle in his eye and a chuckle. (US two? really??)

I have fond memories of the summer I stayed in New Castle several weeks - of the emergency visit as he transported me to see the plant doctor and get my ankle x-rayed when I broke it "horsing" around in the back yard with Karen. I remember the fresh picked berries. I got the worm crawling out of my berry on the spoon and not quite to my mouth. Oh did he roar!!!


He rescued me many times on the freeway the summer I drove from Indianapolis to New Castle in my lame old Ford that kept overheating. He got fed up with that and had me drive his little red sports car (Chrysler of course) so I could come be a part of the family every weekend during my OT fieldwork at the medical center. OF COURSE he was certain to point out to this member of the Miller-FORD clan which car was the best! I'm sure he ribbed my dad too!

I am thankful for the many times of love, laughter and thoughtful discussions with your family. He and Mama Joyce took me in as one of their own. Their faith was authentic and certainly had an impact on my life! Daddy Kinnaman will surely be missed. I'm so glad for salvation! I'm so glad for heaven! My tears, thought, and prayers are with you all.

Love,
Cheryl (Miller) Hunt

John Cheryl Hunt - September 26, 2017 at 02:10 PM

TB

“ *I am sorry to hear of your dad's passing. What an amazing man and how dearly he was loved. Please know that you are all in our thought and prayers* 
Phil and Trudy

Trudy Bartlett - September 26, 2017 at 01:31 PM

DC

“ *Russ was such a caring and kind man. We got to know him and Bonnie at Light and Life Park in Lakeland Florida. He always had a smile, warm greeting and firm handshake for everyone. He will be greatly missed. How wonderful to know that while he may be gone from this earth and his loved ones, it is only for a short time; and all who trust Jesus will be reunited. Russ is very much alive and with His Saviour. I pray that you will keep that truth in your hearts and be comforted by it. May the Lord wrap His loving arms around you and hold you up through this time. You are all in our prayers.*
Sincerely,
Dennis and Judy Crowe

Dennis & Judy Crowe - September 26, 2017 at 01:10 PM



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Nancy Hazzard - September 26, 2017 at 12:41 PM



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Nancy Hazzard - September 26, 2017 at 12:18 PM

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Nancy Kinnaman Hazzard - September 26, 2017 at 11:22 AM

DW

“ *David, Nancy & Glenn White purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Russell E. Kinnaman.*



David, Nancy & Glenn White - September 26, 2017 at 09:43 AM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Russell E. Kinnaman.*



September 26, 2017 at 08:25 AM

JA

“ Nancy we are so sorry for your loss. Although we didn't know your father very well, we remember his warmth and friendliness. He is now enjoying his reward and is whole again. The battle is over. "And on that day when my strength s failing, the end draws near and my time has come, still my soul will sing your praise unending, ten thousand years and then forever more!". This song brought comfort during the grieving for my father.

*Love to you and your family,
Janet & John*

Janet - September 26, 2017 at 08:09 AM

NH

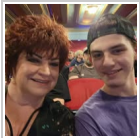
Thank you so much! I love that song, thank you for reminding me of its encouraging words. Love you, two!

Nancy Kinnaman Hazzard - September 26, 2017 at 12:25 PM

DH

So sorry to hear of your Dad's passing. He and your mother were special people. Privileged to know them and the family. Jim and Diane Hamm (aunt gus)

Diane Hamm - September 26, 2017 at 08:29 PM



“ Russ was a wonderful man. He and Joy were very special, they raised a beautiful family!

Melody Branham-Haddix - September 25, 2017 at 11:07 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Russell E. Kinnaman.



September 25, 2017 at 10:49 PM



“ Our condolences to the family. Danny and Toddy Cupp

toddy cupp - September 25, 2017 at 10:42 PM



“ Russ was such an inspiration to many. I had the privilege of serving on the Board of our church where he lent his expertise into so many areas. He was so inspirational to be around. Worshipping with him, attending church dinners, picnics were so much more enjoyable with him there. Thanks Russ for your Godly example in our local body of Christ!

Mary/Larry Odom - September 25, 2017 at 09:57 PM



“ I'm so very sorry to hear of Russ's passing..I always loved Russ, Joy & all of their kids. Thoughts and prayers Kaye (Piercy) Buckley

Linda Piercy-Buckley - September 25, 2017 at 09:49 PM