



William G. Coyne

December 10, 1934 - March 28, 2013

PORT SANILAC: William G. Coyne, age 78, of Port Sanilac, died Thursday, March 28, 2013 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Port Huron.

He was born December 10, 1934 in Dearborn, son of the late Emmett & Virginia (Venners) Coyne. He and Gail Ann Hollenback were married June 24, 1961 in Ferndale.

Bill was a member of St. Mary Catholic Church, Port Sanilac. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army.

He was Superintendent of Schools in Ferndale, and then he served as Superintendent of Carsonville-Port Sanilac Schools for 6 and 9 months separately. He was the chairman of Sanilac District Library and was involved in several fund raising programs in Sanilac Co.

Bill is survived by his wife, Gail of Port Sanilac; two sons, James (Tammy) of Savage, MN & Michael (Debbie) of Portland, MI; six grandchildren, Tristan, James, Jr., Nicholas, Trenton, Katie & Tyler; and one great grandchild Elijah. He was preceded in death by a brother Jerry.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 11 AM Wed. April 3, 2013 at St. Mary Catholic Church, Port Sanilac. Fr. Donald Eppenbrock will officiate. Inurnment will be in the St. Mary Cemetery.

Visitation will be 5 – 9 PM Tuesday at the Pomeroy Funeral Home, Lexington, and 10 – 11 AM Wed. at the church. Memorials may be made to the church.

Tribute Wall

LB

“ Mike, Deb and Family we are so very sorry for the loss of your Father and Grandfather, you are all in our thoughts and prayers!!
God Bless
Chris and Linda Shelby, Dean and Christopher Battley

Linda Battley - April 03, 2013 at 07:40 PM

MA

“ My condolences to Mrs. Coyne and her family. I had Mr. Coyne as a teacher at Ferndale High School. He made quite an impression on me and was a contributing factor in my going on to college.

Michael Andrus - April 03, 2013 at 05:46 PM

KP

“ Dear Gail and family, I am so sorry to hear of Bill's passing. He was such a wonderful person, an outstanding educator and someone who was a great influence in my life. It was because of Bill that I decided to go to Michigan State and become a teacher. I have always valued our friendship throughout the years and looked forward to your Christmas cards with his updates about your sons and grandchildren.
My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this very difficult time. May God bless you.

Katie Brooks Pedersen - April 02, 2013 at 07:41 PM

JS

“ Rest in the Peace of our Risen Lord, Bill. It has been too many years since our family gatherings at your parents home at Christmas.
John Spencer

John Spencer - April 02, 2013 at 12:02 AM

GG

“ So sorry to hear of Bill's passing. Our love and prayers are with you.

Gene & Caroline Goetze - April 01, 2013 at 11:12 PM

RW

“ I remember Mr. Coyne as principal @ Taft and on the school board. I remember him as a man who would be stern if he had to be, but he also had compassion and a leadership presence. I didn't realize these qualities as a kid, but as an adult I see them very clearly. My condolences to the Coyne family.

robert wagner - March 31, 2013 at 07:54 PM

RM

“ Dear Gail and family, We are very sorry for your loss. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you. From the first day we met Bill, he made us feel that our friendship was highly valued. Over the years, we learned how fortunate we were to have the chance to know him. We will always remember his smile, his encouraging words and his sense of humor. His memory and his life are an inspiration to all. Rudy and Joyce Montano

Rudy and Joyce Montano - March 31, 2013 at 05:18 PM

ES

“ Bill was a good superintendant, a good boss, and a good friend to have known.

Ed Szkodronski - March 31, 2013 at 04:31 PM

JB

“ May God keep and bless your family.

Janet Bell - March 31, 2013 at 10:19 AM

GA

“ I was saddened to learn of Bill's passing. I knew him as a gifted leader and educator, who with care, concern and humor worked to enhance the lives of students and staff. He will be missed. Please accept my prayers and sympathy for the Coyne family during this time of sorrow.

Gwen Ahearn - March 31, 2013 at 09:21 AM

PB

“ Dear Gail and family, Our Daughter, Julie, saw this on Mike's facebook page, and called to tell me. I am so sorry for your loss. May God give Bill eternal peace. Sincerely, Peggy Burry

Peggy Burry - March 30, 2013 at 06:56 PM

MC

“ Gail and family, My thoughts and prayers to all of you. Bill was a wonderful man. I enjoyed working with him and learned a lot from him. He was a great Superintendent and leader. I enjoyed our friendship over the years. He always had a great smile and hug for you! I feel very Blessed to have known him. May your memories help ease the pain in this difficult time. With Sympathy, Margie Crompton

Margie Crompton - March 30, 2013 at 05:37 PM

FE

“ My sympathy and prayers to the Coyne Family in the loss of their loved one William. I pray and say as we have been doing now for centuries: "Eternal rest give to him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine on him forever. May he rest in peace! May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace" Sincerely, Fr. Donald J. Eppenbrock Sacramental Priest of St. Mary Port Sanilac, MI

Fr. Donald J. Eppenbrock - March 29, 2013 at 07:28 PM