



Edward "Gene" Bersch

April 30, 1926 - August 6, 2013

Edward was born on April 30, 1926 and passed away on Tuesday, August 6, 2013.

Edward was a resident of Vernon Hills, Illinois.

Tribute Wall

KS

“ *To the Family -*

So sorry to hear of Gene's passing. I have missed his annual visits these past few years. He was my teacher in high school and later I was hired in the office. He was a wonderful man who touched many lives through his dedication to education. We still tell driver ed stories! I remember when, as JH principal, he would stop on his way to school, go into a home (that some would have feared) and get the student out of bed to get to school - not many like that these days!! We attended some great parties over the years at their home - I know he and your Mom are having a wonderful reunion. With sympathy, Karron Stineman

Karron Stineman - June 29, 2018 at 11:09 AM

WS

“ *We are so sorry to read of Mr. Bersch's passing. He meant so much to so many of his students probably more than he could have imagined. The class of 62 voted him and one other high school teacher as the ones the most respected and had the most influence on there lives. Bill still chuckles when he looks at the basketball pictures and he is looking up at most of his players. He used to stop and say hello to Bill at L&M and me at the bank. When I told him about the class voting him one of the best he teared up and couldn't speak. We will miss him!!!*

william and diana stickrod - April 27, 2018 at 03:46 AM

DP

“ Dear Shawn,
Our sympathy to you and your family on the loss of your beloved father. Hold on to all the happy memories you have of him and keep them deep in your heart. God's peace be with you always,
Dan and Shirley

Dan and Shirley Petersen - April 27, 2018 at 03:46 AM

TV

“ So sorry for your loss. Mr. Bersch herded us through school with patience and positivity.

Traci (Mace) VanHyning - April 27, 2018 at 03:46 AM

CL

“ My sympathy to Shawn and Dustin and their families. Gene and Darleen were a special couple and were friends to many. They added a sparkle to any group. Of course, I enjoyed Darleen's art and her association with us at Artists in Action for years. I played bridge with her in several groups too. The world has lost a unique couple and as friends we miss their presence. Fondly, Carol S.

carol boehl steinmetz, (mrs. ladd) - April 27, 2018 at 03:46 AM

LC

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. Your dad was my teacher at Louisa Muscatine Schools and a very good one! He will be missed.

Larry & Jo Ann Carlson - April 27, 2018 at 03:46 AM

GH

“ Dear Shawn and Dusty - Mom called today and told me of your dad's passing, she said that it really shook both of them hard. All of us have such fond memories of the time we spent as kids with you and your parents - roasting hotdogs over the gas burner, pushing the VW up and down the driveway, Mom and Darlene piling 6 of us in the back seat of that VW bug to go exploring - I think Dad and Gene spent a lot of time tinkering and listening to baseball. We will all be together next weekend, and I'm sure even more stories will be shared. And of course I was lucky to have had your dad as one of my high school teachers as well - and as a retired second grade teacher, I know he was one of the "good ones", mixing plenty of humor (dry, as I remember) into his history lessons. Please accept my sincere condolences on the death of "Mr. B". With love, Greg Hankins

Greg Hankins - April 27, 2018 at 03:46 AM

FW

“ I first met Mr. Bersch when I was in the 5th grade. I played basketball for the Jr. High team. He was my coach until the schools reorganized when I was a Junior in High School. He was such a role model for all of us. We last saw him and Darlene a few years ago when he came to Grandview for a coffee in his honor in the Grandview Park. We were gone from the area for 22 years so I missed a lot of the interaction some of his former students had with him, but he will always represent some of my fondest school memories. Frances (Kemp) Wilson

Frances Kemp Wilson - April 27, 2018 at 03:46 AM

JG

“ Dear Shawn and Dusty

Sorry to hear about your dads passing; I always enjoyed time spent with your parents they were always warm and friendly and always made me feel welcome. It is always sad when our parents pass but you will always have great memories of your loved ones.

Take Care

John L. Gaeta

John L. Gaeta - April 27, 2018 at 03:46 AM

KF

“ Shawn and Dusty,

I am so sorry for your loss..I remember how much I admired your dad while I was growing up. Such a great man.

Take care,

Kathy

Kathy Phelps Fear - April 27, 2018 at 03:46 AM



“ Dear Shawn, Dusty, and family,

*We were so sorry to hear about the passing of Gene. We have many wonderful memories of your family through your years in the Muscatine area and the Louisa-Muscatine School system. We learned many valuable lessons from Gene as he was our fellow teacher, administrator, coach, mentor, and friend. His humor and flexibility helped show us how to be better educators. You have our sympathy as you deal with this difficult loss. Know that your parents touched many lives in a happy, positive way. We will miss them.
Gene and Susan Langstaff (Wapello, Iowa)*

August 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM