



Alan L. Fry

March 24, 1937 - March 7, 2017

Alan L. Fry, age 79, of Huntertown, died Tuesday, March 7, 2017 in Phoenix, Arizona.

Alan was born March 24, 1937 in New Haven, the son of Milton “Whitey” and Evelyn (Reibenbach) Fry. He graduated from Central High School in Fort Wayne in 1955 and served as a SPEC 5 in the United States Army. He worked at Lincoln Financial in Fort Wayne for over 30 years and was a Reserve Officer for the Allen County Sherriff Department. He served on the boards of the Park Edelweiss Club as well as the Fort Wayne Sport Club and Sister Cities International in Fort Wayne. He was a member of Our Hope Lutheran Church, where he served as treasurer and elder. Alan was a long-time Wizards and Tin Caps fan, as well as a fan of the Chicago Cubs. For more than 25 years he has flown out for Spring training in Arizona and Florida, and by 2010, he had visited every Major League Baseball field in the U.S. and Canada. He enjoyed University of St. Francis and Indianapolis Colts football and was involved in a variety of fantasy sports teams. He took great interest in his German heritage and will be missed by all his friends at Granite City, where “The Super Al” beer has even been named after him.

Survivors include his ex-wife, Karen J. Flathau of Grabill; two sons - Howard D. Fry of Grabill and Troy D. Fry of Fort Wayne; three daughters - Shannon K. Bowers and Tonja (Jeff) Ashton, both of Fort Wayne and Kristi A. King of Leo;

12 grandchildren, and three great grandchildren. His parents and sisters, Betty Miller and Lou Ann Fry, precede him in death.

Visitation will be from 3 - 6 p.m. Saturday, March 18, 2017 at Our Hope Lutheran Church, 1826 Trinity Drive, Huntertown, Indiana. Funeral services will follow at 7 p.m. Saturday at Our Hope Lutheran Church with Pastor Joe Fichtner officiating. Burial will be at a later date.

Preferred memorials are to Fort Wayne Sport Club, Fort Wayne Männerchor, Our Hope Lutheran Church, or Disabled American Veterans (DAV), in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, Indiana.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 18. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Our Hope Lutheran Church
1826 Trinity Drive
Huntertown, IN 46748

Service

MAR 18. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Alan L. Fry



Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary - March 16, 2017 at 04:33 PM

BB

“ I loved Al Fry. I loved the twinkle in his eye, his sense of humor, his love of family and his passion for baseball. And I loved working with him at Lincoln Life, listening to him talk about estate planning and learning just a small bit from his vast knowledge. Al was respected by so many.

It was my pleasure to attend Cubs, White Sox, Cincinnati Reds and Tin Caps games with Al. It breaks my heart that he will no longer be found sitting in those ballparks. But I am sure there is an angel in the backfield at every game.

Having just learned of his passing I am sorry I was unable to speak with his family in person. I wish you all my deepest sympathies.

Love Brooke Branyan

Brooke Branyan - May 05, 2017 at 01:54 PM

SB

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you Al and with your entire family; may the Dear Lord hold you all in the palm of His hand for as long as you need Him.

Al retired from Lincoln in 1999 and here is something I read to him in a conference call hook-up during his "Lincoln Celebration". He was a very special human being and like so many others I thought the world of him. I will celebrate 46 wonderful years in the financial services industry in June and it all began in 1971 because Al gave me the opportunity to work with him and be tutored by him. Heart felt thanks Al!!!

Steve and Julie Bird

June 4, 1999

Dear Al,

I really wish I could be with you today but unfortunately that is not possible. So I want to take this opportunity to CONGRATULATE you as you celebrate your 25th anniversary with Lincoln.

Words can never adequately express the special feelings I have for you, and for your significant contribution to my career. Today (June 4th) I am celebrating 28 wonderful years in this great industry thanks to you. I had the good fortune to join you in June of 1971 and share the first three formative years of my career with you. Thanks to you Al, I received the outstanding training and the solid foundation on which to build my career. You instilled within me the importance of integrity and professionalism in the sales process.

You have always been the most knowledgeable person I know with regard to our products and the concepts for marketing our products. More importantly, your unbelievable willingness to share this with

others is what distinguishes you from all the rest.

Back in 1971 your name was longer than your designations, yet today just the opposite is true. This is a result of the phenomenal passion with which you pursue your interests. Your thirst for knowledge was and remains constant, which is obvious from your long list of designations and industry achievements. I have often described you to many folks around the country “as one of the most knowledgeable people in advanced sales in our industry”. It is no wonder that over the years some of the “greats” in our business have consulted with you in an effort to better serve their clientele. Al, it is a tremendous tribute to you, and an inspiration to all of us, that loyalty and dedication to a profession is rewarded with such national recognition.

You are an extremely valuable asset and you would be impossible to replace. I for one sincerely hope your influence with the sales professionals throughout the country continues far beyond your tenure with Lincoln. Al, I truly believe that a persons true worth and legacy is measured by how they help those around them grow and prosper. Your contribution to the success of the people who call you for advice is immeasurable. Your consulting creates a “ripple effect” that is responsible for literally multi-million dollars worth of protection for individuals and business owners throughout the land.

There is no better way for someone to multiply their own efforts and talents then to provide the necessary advice and recommendations needed to help people protect their way of life and their future.

Your influence on everyone whose life you have touched has been incredible and that which you have helped build will paint the horizons with beautiful tomorrows. The personal memories you and I have etched together, I will keep tucked deep down within my heart and treasure forever.

I am extremely proud to have you as a friend and extend to you my deepest heart felt congratulations for your 25th anniversary. As you

embark on the next stage of your journey, I trust the good Lord will take your hand and continue to lead you toward the best of opportunities.

I love you Al,

Steve Bird

Steve & Julie Bird - March 23, 2017 at 12:17 PM

DD

“*Doug and I only met Al a few times at family Birthday's or at a grandson or granddaughters sport's game. We could tell he was loved by his children and grandkids very much and will be missed by all. We have heard a lot of stories so we know there are a lot of happy memories for the family to remember....So sorry for your loss.*”

Doug & Jackie Decker - March 16, 2017 at 09:39 PM

BL

“*26 files added to the album LifeTributes*”



Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary - March 16, 2017 at 04:30 PM

LF

“ Shannon and family,

I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers to you all.



Lynnette Fisher - March 16, 2017 at 11:33 AM

JS

“ We're so sorry to hear of Al's passing. I worked with Al when I first started at Lincoln Life in the Estate Planning area. Karen then watched our son, Ken, in Huntertown. Al loved his family and enjoyed life to the fullest. Saying a prayer for all of you.
Marvin & Jean Sorg

Jean Sorg - March 16, 2017 at 07:58 AM

SZ

“ Peace and love to Al, his family and friends.

Suzan Zimmerman - March 16, 2017 at 07:28 AM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Alan L. Fry.



March 15, 2017 at 08:01 PM

WD

“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



Walter "Jerry" David - March 15, 2017 at 09:34 AM

RC

“ *Hated to hear the news of Al's passing. Al and I worked together several years ago. We would occasionally see each other at a Tin Caps game. Every time I drove by the ball field on a game day I would smile as I would always see him enjoying his time in front of the park until game time! I will always think of him while driving by the ball field! My husband and Al made a trip to the Cubs spring training camp many years ago... he has many fond memories... He will be missed!! Prayers to his family and many friends.*

Robin Crady - March 13, 2017 at 09:45 AM

LA

“ *So sorry for your loss. Praying for your family. Mr.Fry was a very nice man. I have been his mail lady for 18 years. God Bless.*

Laura - March 12, 2017 at 07:21 AM

CV

WENT TO HIGH SCHOOL WITH AL SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS

Carol Sue Trovinger Valverde - March 17, 2017 at 10:42 AM