



Larry E. Bonbrake Sr.

May 17, 2026

Larry E Bonbrake Sr., 89, of Huntington, passed away at 1:43 am Sunday, May 17, 2026.

Larry was born on March 31, 1937, in Huntington, IN, the son of Wallace Bonbrake and Cleo (Frech) Bonbrake. He graduated from Union Township High School with the class of 1955. Larry spent 45 years with Kmart Corporation before retiring and formerly belonged to the Roanoke Jaycees.

Larry enjoyed fishing, history, and trains. He especially loved time at the lake and cheering for Indiana University and the Chicago Bears. He also had a special fondness for dogs, especially his beloved Frank. More than anything, he treasured sharing stories and making memories with his family.

Survivors include his Four Daughters, Michelle Bonbrake of Huntington, IN, Linda Grossman of Huntington, IN, Jenny (Jim) Nelson of Van Wert, OH, Cynthia (Dan) Smith of Andrews, IN; Son, Larry (Terri) Bonbrake Jr.; Thirteen Grandchildren; Mandy Sommers, Tyler Smith, Brandon Smith, Danielle Hall, Melissa Grossman, Aidan Jordan, Kyle Bonbrake, Ryan Bonbrake, Nathan Bonbrake, Cory Bonbrake, Mariah Lewis, Sam Harold, Martin Harold; Nineteen Great Grandchildren; Two Brothers, Terry (Debby) Bonbrake of Ft. Wayne, IN, Tim (Carrie) Bonbrake of Tucson, AZ; Sister, Joyce Wolma of Grand Rapids, MI.

He is preceded in death by his Father, Wallace Bonbrake, Mother, Cleo Bonbrake, Wife, Roseanne M Bonbrake, Granddaughter, Aimee, Grandson, Travis, and Son In-Law, Allen R. Grossman.

Visitation will be from 10:00 am - 11:00 am Saturday, June 20, 2026, at SS. Peter & Paul Catholic Church, 860 Cherry Street, Huntington, IN. followed by a Prayer Service at 11:00 a.m., with Fr. Tony Steinacker.

Burial will be in Andrews Riverside Cemetery in Andrews.

Preferred memorials to the Huntington County Humane Society, Inc. or Stillwater Hospice, in care of Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN, 46750.

Please sign the online guest book at www.baileylove.com.

Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary is honored to serve the family of Larry E Bonbrake Sr.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **20**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

SS. Peter and Paul Catholic Church
860 Cherry St
Huntington, IN 46750

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Prayer Service

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Burial

JUN **20** (ET)

Riverside Cemetery (Andrews)
7351-7399 W. River Rd.
Andrews, IN 46702

Tribute Wall



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Larry E. Bonbrake Sr..*



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“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Larry E. Bonbrake Sr..

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“ *My days will never be the same without Dad. I will forever miss our trips to the lake, sitting out on the front porch feeling the sun on our faces, and our weekly trips to JJ's to get a coffee and sit and chat about life and especially the weather. I am so honored to have been able to take care of Dad. It wasn't always easy, but I wouldn't change anything. Dad, I promise I will try hard to mow in straight lines and check the oil in the tractor. You taught me well. I Love you to the moon and back and forever and ever* ❤️

Michelle Bonbrake - May 21 at 06:15 PM



I love that Shell especially about the straight lines and checking the oil. Dad was funny. I hope you can read this I wrote it crying.

Cindy Smith - May 30 at 12:21 PM

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“ Larry was such a good man. Always silent and patient. Nothing ever seemed to faze him as he put up with all our childhood antics. I will always remember him with his pipe in mouth driving around the half acre on his tractor. Surely this must have been his quiet time.:) I am sure that he is now enjoying his time with Rosie again. All my love and sympathy to the Bonbrake family.

Julie Abdishi Prough - May 20 at 06:37 PM