



William Louie Vernon

April 2, 1937 - August 14, 2020

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William Louie, 83, passed away Friday, August 14, 2020.

He was a member of the Kosair Shrine, Louisville Scottish Rite, and a former member of Masonic Lodge Shively-Lewis-Parkland Lodge #951. He was Director of the Kosair "Brass" Dance Band and Melltones and played for the Dave Mehl Swing Street Big Band. He was also a member of the Louisville Federation of Musicians Union Local 11-637. Louie arranged the musical charts for a lot of the groups that he belonged to.

He was preceded in death by his parents; daughter, Leeann Vernon; step-daughter, Sandy Rigsby; brother, Eddie Vernon; and sister, Jean Duvall.

He is survived by his loving wife of 42 years, Sandie (Johnson) Vernon; daughter, Louann Vernon; step-son, Marty Masters (Beth); son-in-law, David Rigsby; grandchildren, Brandie Rigsby, Josh Rigsby, Martina Masters, Miranda Masters, Lacey Masters, Damien Hitt; five great-grandchildren; and sister, Carolyn Leake.

His funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday August 19, 2020 at Owen Funeral Home, 5317 Dixie Hwy with burial to follow in Louisville Memorial Gardens West Cemetery. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. until time of service Wednesday at Owen Funeral Home.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia-American Cancer Society.

Cemetery Details

Louisville Memorial Gardens West

4400 Dixie Hwy
Louisville , KY 40216

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 19. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Owen Funeral Homes - Dixie Highway
5317 Dixie Highway
Louisville, KY 40216
(502) 447-2600
<https://owenfuneralhome.com>

Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ Hello Louie. You were always so special with Joe and I from National Shirt Shop Gosh we were so young with a baby Joey. Joe sure admired you His travel I has to say tore us apart always loved spending time with you and Sandy. So I know you and Joe and our son Joey are together I always remember you saying. Spring has sprung The grass has risen I wonder where my hammer issin just wish Joe and I would have had endless family time

Pamela j Allison - October 18, 2023 at 10:55 PM

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“ Louann, a father's love stays in our hearts forever. You were his little girl. Praying for God's comfort and peace in the days ahead. Thank you for sharing pictures on Facebook. Memories are a sweet resource to retreat to in times of sorrow. Love you, my "little bonus sister". Hugs. Giggles. Love in Christ.

Gwen DeMuth - August 19, 2020 at 09:34 AM

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“ Paula Schuler lit a candle in memory of William Louie Vernon



Paula Schuler - August 15, 2020 at 11:02 PM

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“*Louie this so hard to bear Sometimes we fought, sometimes we played. You would roll down second flight of stairs, with me right behind yo u. you rode me on the handle bars of your bike to meet your very first girlfirend. we had pillow fights and it scared you when my nose would bleed. You even taught me how to dance. You trusted me to watch your little girls. right now i think of all the good times. I know we had some rough times, but that is behind me now. You have suffered most of your life. Polio in the first grade, and you hopped on one leg everyday which left one leg shorter than the other. You fell off two flight of stairs and crushed both feet while working. you lost your oldest daughter, then had colon cancer. i dont think there was anything you didnt have. Now your with Mom and Dad. No more suffering. You are finally free of pain. Rest in peace now Resting with the Lord. I love you!!*



Carolyn Leake - August 15, 2020 at 03:44 PM