



Jon W. Boulanger

March 21, 1970 - October 29, 2021

Jon Wilson Boulanger, age 51, of Highland, IL, died Friday, October 29, 2021, at Saint Louis University Hospital in Saint Louis, MO.

He was born on March 21, 1970, the son of Jay and Catherine (nee Turner) Boulanger.

On April 16, 1994, he married Karen Jane Korte at St. Paul Catholic Church in Highland, IL, who survives.

Jon was born in Carbondale, IL. At age 4, he moved to Highland. He was a graduate of Highland High School in 1988 and was Salutatorian of his class. He lettered in soccer and wrestling, played in the band (Outstanding Bandsman his senior year), and performed in school musicals. He was a singer, keyboardist, and songwriter in the band "Zero Gravity" with his buddies. He earned a degree in Mechanical Engineering from Washington University in 1992. While in college, he was a member of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity. Employed at Ameren since 2013, he was Senior Manager of Continuous Improvement, having obtained certification from the Milwaukee School of Engineering as a Certified Lead Lean Facilitator.

He was a member of Saint Paul Catholic Church in Highland, IL. Very active in his parish, he was an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion and a

Hospitality Minister and was on the Kirchenfest Auction Committee. He and Karen dedicated 13 years to leading Marriage Preparation classes for the Springfield Diocese. He served as Vice-Chairman of the Father McGivney Catholic High School Board and was a member of the Executive Board. He was on the Telecommunications Advisory Board in Highland and was Chairman twice for the Pregnancy Care Center Spring Banquet.

Jon always enjoyed music. He was a great pianist, played a mean guitar, and had the best playlists for any occasion. Always involved in soccer, he was a big fan of Manchester United Futbol Club. He coached for the Premiere Soccer Club, formerly Korte Blue Fire, in Highland and served as President and Vice President of the club. He was the biggest fan of the Glen-Ed United soccer team, on which his sons played. He loved fishing with his buddies and made occasional trips to Canada and Arkansas. He was also a keen chess player and enjoyed challenging his sons to frequent games. Anyone that knew Jon knows that he was always the resident bartender and made the world's greatest margarita. A great chef, he grew his own spices and vegetables, and his 21 pepper plants were his pride and joy, just after his children.

He was very proud of his children and their accomplishments in their athletics, on the stage, and in school. His favorite pastimes were watching his children do the things they love. He will be dearly missed by all who knew him.

Survivors include:

Wife - Karen Jane (nee Korte) Boulanger, Highland, IL

Daughter - Danielle Korte Boulanger, Highland, IL

Son - Aaron Gregory Boulanger, Highland, IL

Son - Jon Patrick Boulanger, Highland, IL

Son - Wilson Paul Boulanger, Highland, IL

Daughter - Miriam Catherine Boulanger, Highland, IL

Father - Jay W. Boulanger, Highland, IL

Mother - Catherine L. Boulanger (nee Turner), Highland, IL
Brother - (Twin) Joel W. (Kimberly) Boulanger, New Prague, MN
Brother - Grant J. (Shelley) Boulanger, Saint Paul, MN
Brother - Matthew T. Boulanger, PhD, Dallas, TX
Brother - Michael J. H. (Melissa) Boulanger, Saint Louis, MO
Nieces and Nephews - Several
Great Nieces & Great Nephews - Several.

He was preceded in death by:

Daughter - Gabrielle Cecilia Boulanger - Died 02/14/2013.

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Visitation will start at 3:00 PM on Tuesday, November 02, 2021, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL and from 8:30 AM to 10:00 AM on Wednesday, November 03, 2021, at Saint Boniface Catholic Church in Edwardsville, IL.

Funeral Mass will be at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, November 03, 2021, at Saint Boniface Catholic Church in Edwardsville, IL, with Rev. Fr. Pat G. Jakel, Pastor, Saint Paul Catholic Church, Highland, IL, officiating.

Interment will be at Saint Joseph Catholic Cemetery in Highland, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to the St. Paul School Educational Foundation, Father McGivney Catholic High School, or HACSM (Highland Food Pantry).

Tribute Wall



“ *Rose Remembrance was purchased for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.* ”



January 07, 2022 at 04:49 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.* ”



November 09, 2021 at 09:35 AM



“ *I went to high school with Jon. He was always an amazing cheerful and amazing classmate. Always had a smile on his face and an ear to listen if you needed one. Sending love and prayers for the families loss. X Jackie Debatin* ”

Jackie Debatin - November 04, 2021 at 09:06 PM



“ *Mark And Lesley Rusick lit a candle in memory of Jon W. Boulanger* ”



Mark and Lesley Rusick - November 04, 2021 at 11:15 AM

RR

“ *Rita Rinderer lit a candle in memory of Jon W. Boulanger*



Rita Rinderer - November 03, 2021 at 02:15 PM

KS

“ *I had the privilege of working with Jon for several years at Ameren. He was such an incredible guy in so many ways. I learned so much from him and he was always so supportive and encouraging. He had an amazing sense of humor and always had a story to share! Every time I saw him, we always picked up right where we left off. My heart breaks for your entire family. Continued thoughts and prayers for all of you. K.Stottler*

KStottler - November 02, 2021 at 04:40 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.*



November 02, 2021 at 01:48 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.*



November 02, 2021 at 09:47 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.*



November 02, 2021 at 08:58 AM



“ *My sincerest sympathy to all the family. Prayers and hugs.*



Linda Iberg - November 02, 2021 at 01:30 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.*



November 01, 2021 at 11:47 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.*



November 01, 2021 at 05:52 PM



“ Sunny Memories was purchased for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.



November 01, 2021 at 05:06 PM



“ My name is Dan Henley, Jon fished with me on those fall trips to Lake Pomme de Terre we had a great time together I also worked with him at Corbitt in St. Charles I am very sorry for your loss he was a good friend.



Dan Henley - November 01, 2021 at 03:57 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.



November 01, 2021 at 03:49 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.



November 01, 2021 at 03:31 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.*



November 01, 2021 at 01:54 PM



“ *Our sympathies to the Boulanger family. I have met his father Jay through the funeral directors association. May our Lord's peace and comfort rain down upon all of you as you travel the journey ahead. Dee Dee (Barnes) Murray, John Barnes Funeral Home family and Mount Carmel Catholic Cemetery, Belleville.*

Dee Dee Murray - November 01, 2021 at 01:40 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.*



November 01, 2021 at 01:01 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.*



November 01, 2021 at 12:49 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.*



November 01, 2021 at 12:47 PM



“ *Fall Fantasia was purchased for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.*



November 01, 2021 at 12:20 PM



“ *Kar Jon purchased the Rose Remembrance for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.*



Kar Jon - November 01, 2021 at 12:10 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.*



November 01, 2021 at 11:13 AM

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“ *Thomson Reuters and the LPS Family purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.*



Thomson Reuters and the LPS Family. - November 01, 2021
at 10:18 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.*



November 01, 2021 at 10:17 AM

PK

“ *I never had the privilege of knowing Jon. But I know his father. And the apple as they say... Nothing more needs to be said.*

My heart breaks for Jon's family who, sadly, will now fully understand the words of Sigmund Freud: "The loved ones left behind must pay dearly for the happiness they have known."

May all of you find some window of peace in the days ahead. May all of you sense that Jon now lives within you. May all of you know the consolation of God in the midst of your grief.

With care and concern,

Phil Kershner

Phil Kershner - November 01, 2021 at 10:12 AM



“ *Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.*



November 01, 2021 at 10:11 AM



“ *I didn't know him, but he sounds like he was an amazing man. So talented and lived such a productive life to be proud of. My deepest condolences to all of his families and friends. 🌸*

Sandy Gentry - November 01, 2021 at 10:10 AM



“ *Amanda Brittingham purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.*



Amanda Brittingham - November 01, 2021 at 10:09 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.*



November 01, 2021 at 09:50 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.*



November 01, 2021 at 07:04 AM



“ *Serenity Prayer 30" Sonnet was purchased for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.*



November 01, 2021 at 06:41 AM



“ *Karen & family, this really hurts as I had many bosses during my 50 year career in engineering at three different companies but Jon was one of the best of all. In my opinion, Jon was a fair, honest and caring boss but more importantly Jon was a wonderful human being and a class act in every way! No doubt Jon will be missed by all who knew him!! R.I.P. Sir and THANK you for everything, your friend, Rod*

Rodney Bruner - November 01, 2021 at 12:13 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.*



October 31, 2021 at 10:27 PM

CH

“ Jim and I were always eager to outbid anyone who dared to challenge us for the coveted "Steak by the Lake" item donated by Jon and Karen at the Kirchenfest Auction. Chef Jon and Hostess Karen (plus a few other helpers) made the evening so special and did I mention, DELICIOUS?? Jim and I plus our "Cruise Crew" friends will never forget how you made the evening so enjoyable and our tummies so "stuffed" !! Thank you Jon, for cherished memories. "Blessed indeed, says the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow them." Rev. 14:13

Carol Henrichs - October 31, 2021 at 09:55 PM



I never really knew Jon until we and 8 others from St. Paul, experienced a Corsillo weekend together, Jan. of '14. He was such a wonderful person to get to know. His contributions to the weekend were heartfelt. Love to you JON and special love to you Karen and your family. JR Potthast

Jr. Potthast - November 01, 2021 at 08:54 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.



October 31, 2021 at 09:53 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.



October 31, 2021 at 08:07 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Jon W. Boulanger.*



October 31, 2021 at 07:39 PM



“ *Karen and family, I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your husband and father. Praying for God to give you comfort and peace.*

Bonnie Kloss - October 31, 2021 at 07:35 PM



“ *Sincere sympathy to all of his family. God Bless 🙏🙏🙏*

Bob & Beckie Schrupf - October 31, 2021 at 07:18 PM