



John Richard "Jack" Haury

June 17, 1934 - October 10, 2016

Haury, John R. "Jack" 82, of Louisville died peacefully at home with his family at his side on Monday, October 10, 2016.

Born on June 17, 1934 in Louisville to the late Leroy Joseph and Carrie Oneida Haury, he was the eldest of seven children. He was a 1952 graduate of Flaget High School and a 1956 graduate of Bellarmine University completing graduate work at Indiana University. In June of 1956 he signed a contract with the Cincinnati Reds and played with their organization until enlisting in the Army later that year. Jack served his country for two years, returned to Louisville, and began his teaching and coaching career at DeSales High School. That summer, he resumed professional baseball and played with the Chicago White Sox organization for another season. Upon returning to Louisville he continued to play amateur and semi-pro baseball. Jack taught and was the head basketball coach at DeSales High School until 1964. He was named City "Coach of the Year" in 1963. He taught and coached basketball at Clarksville High School until 1968. The following year, he was hired at Jeffersontown High School to teach and serve as head basketball and baseball coach for many years. He was named Baseball Coach of the Year in 1969. After retiring in 1995 he coached Barret Traditional Middle School basketball and was an assistant baseball coach at Bellarmine University for ten years. He volunteered at Lyndon Recreation, St. Matthews, and Middletown Recreation. Jack was inducted into the Bellarmine Athletic Hall of Fame in 1977 and the Jeffersontown High School Alumni Association Hall of Fame in 2015. Throughout his career Jack enjoyed coaching and was described by a colleague as "a source of talent, wisdom, and character to young men of all ages." To them he will always be "Coach."

Jack was an avid UK fan, eternally optimistic that the football team would "turn it around" and that the basketball team would hang another banner. He cheered for the Clemson Tigers, and traveled there many times to watch his daughter Susan dance in Death Valley. Trips to Alaska, Maine, and the Mediterranean were among his favorite destinations. He loved going to the theatre and enjoyed movies and a good book. He was a master pumpkin carver. Children in his neighborhood anticipated his creations every Halloween. Ice cream topped his list of favorites.

Jack loved his family and valued nothing more than time spent together. He is survived by

his wife and best friend of 36 years, Helen (James) Haury, his children Caesha (Brian) Putt, John Christopher Haury and Susan (Bryan) Kohart, and his granddaughters whom he adored, Jenna, Ella, and Addison Putt, and Eliana Kohart His brothers Bob (Barbara), Bill (Bonnie), Charles (Shirley) Haury and his sisters JoAnn (Jim) Morris, Joyce (Bernie) Fussenegger, and Gloria (Gary) Wachtel, and brother-in-law Hugh (Laura) James and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family is grateful to Caring Excellence, Dr. Jane Cornett, and Hosparus for their loving care and compassion.

His funeral mass will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, October 14, 2016, at Epiphany Catholic Church, 914 Old Harrods Creek Road. Visitation will be from 2:00 to 8:00 pm on Thursday, October 13, 2016 at Ratterman Funeral Home, 12900 Shelbyville, East Louisville.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to Hosparus and the Michael J. Fox Foundation.
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Events

OCT 13 **Visitation** 02:00PM - 08:00PM

Ratterman Brothers Funeral Home - East Louisville
12900 Shelbyville Road, Louisville, KY, US, 40243

OCT 14 **Mass** 10:00AM

Epiphany Catholic Church
914 Old Harrods Creek Road, Louisville, KY, US, 40243

Comments



“ I was a student of his, JHS Class of 76. I remember enjoying his classes and his sense of humor. Condolences to his family. RIP, Coach Haury.

Maria Zaboronak Metz - October 20, 2016 at 08:30 AM



“ I was a student of Jack's and classmate of Charlie's at DeSales and classmate of Bryan's at Sullivan University. I sincerely regret that I just today found out about Jack's passing and was unable to attend the services. Jack is my ALL TIME favorite instructor. He was teacher and a gentleman who truly impacted my life. He was caring and really wanted his students and the athletes he coached to succeed. He encouraged me to be my best, do my best, and very subtly taught me discretion, a trait which I once, gratefully, had an opportunity to demonstrate to him that I had learned. Watching Jack, I learned that the way I would dress in those years yet to come would influence how I felt about myself as well as how others perceived me.

Rest in peace, Mr. Haury! My condolences to the family.

Gehrig Fields

Gehrig Fields - October 14, 2016 at 04:45 PM



“ I played for Coach Haury for 3 years in the early 60's at DeSales High School. I will always appreciate the life lessons he tried to instill in all his players and students. Rest in Peace Coach Haury.

Bill Schuhmann - October 14, 2016 at 10:46 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of John Richard "Jack" Haury.



October 12, 2016 at 08:54 PM



“ Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Richard "Jack" Haury.



October 12, 2016 at 05:08 PM



“ Sharon Derby lit a candle in memory of John Richard "Jack" Haury



Sharon Derby - October 12, 2016 at 03:53 PM



“ Condolences to his family. Mr. Haury was my favorite teacher at J-town, many years ago.

Cynthia Crick - October 12, 2016 at 12:58 PM



“ My prayers and thoughts are with the Haury Family. Please extend my sympathy to all members of his family.

Judy Dusch Mattingly

Judy Mattingly - October 12, 2016 at 11:08 AM

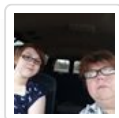


“ Jack Haury was the man who taught me about civic responsibility and planted the seed that started me wanting to learn more about our society & government. He had a soapbox in his classroom. When students presented the class with the latest current events you had to "get on your soapbox". My love of Peter Sellers movies started in his class too with watching Dr. Strangelove. (can't show that one today) I looked forward to his class. My thoughts and prayers are with Mrs. Haury and Coach's entire family. He was more than a teacher. He cared about his students, his

ball players and his community. He made a difference in this students life. Rest in peace Coach.

Traci Roederer Furness
JHS Class of '84

Traci Furness - October 12, 2016 at 10:58 AM



“ I remember all of all of those memories with Mr. Haury also

Kathy - October 14, 2016 at 11:12 PM



“ I played Girls basketball at JHS from 1970-1976. Coach Haury coached the Boys basketball team at that time. I have fond memories of talking with Coach Haury about my game. He would encourage me, and was a fine example of what coaching should look like. I learned a great deal from him on and off the court. Was so glad I was able to sit with him and his wife, and talk with them during our 35th Class reunion. Prayers are going up for his family.

Jackie Love - October 12, 2016 at 08:42 AM



“ I played basketball at J-town from 1970-1976. Coach Haury was the Boys basketball coach at that time. I can remember a many of time where we had great conversations even about my game. He encouraged me, and was a fine example of what coaching should look like. I will never forget what he taught me as a player, and as a person. So glad I was able to sit with him, and talk with him five years ago at our 35th class reunion. Prayers going up for his family.

Jackie Love - October 12, 2016 at 08:21 AM



“ Thank you Coach for everything you did for me when I was your student and beyond. You were a unmatched influence on many a student during your time here on earth. Prayers of Comfort to the Haury Family during this time of grief. Just know that to be absent from the body in to be in the Presence of the Lord. God needed a Great Coach for His Heavenly baseball team and He called up the best. Godspeed to you and see you when we get there.

Kevin Morton - October 12, 2016 at 07:57 AM



“ I know it is a sad time for the family and all who were involved with Jack during his honorable life. He influenced many young men and women along the way especially those of us who played for him. For us he will always be Coach. Condolences to the family and I know you will find solace in all the wonderful memories you have of him.

Eddie Cheek - October 12, 2016 at 07:20 AM



“ I had the honor of knowing Coach Haury while attending J-town and playing on the basketball team, his favorite word was Unbelievable and i can still hear his voice to this day. He was certainly a person that I trusted and respected. My prayers are for you and your family.

JONATHON DOW - October 11, 2016 at 10:06 PM



“ I always enjoyed talking to Jack after church or when I would see him at Bellarmine games or other local games. He would always inquire about my daughter Beth and what she was doing in life. My sympathies to Helen, Susan and the Haury family.

Jim Wilberding - October 13, 2016 at 07:34 PM