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## Welcome to the Funeral Update Page for Glen Bernard Van Proyen



### Glen Bernard Van Proyen

June 15, 1930 - December 01, 2016

DeBary, FL

Glen Van Proyen, 86, formerly of Chicago, Illinois, passed away December 1, 2016.

Glen is survived by Nancy Van Proyen (Satterlee), his wife and sweetheart of 64 years; children, Leslie Koontz of DeBary, FL; Kenneth Van Proyen (Don Gibson) of West Chicago, IL; Holly Kapacinskaskas (Len) of DeBary, FL; Jay Van Proyen (Bill Gallowich) of West Chicago, IL; grandchildren, Sam Kapacinskaskas of Salt Lake City, UT; Alex Kapacinskaskas of Jacksonville, FL; Kamryn Gallowich of Naperville, IL; sister, Marilyn Georgeson of Batavia, IL.

Glen was born June 15, 1930, to Cornelia and Bernard Van Proyen. He was a graduate of Pullman Tech in Chicago, where he was later inducted into the Pullman Tech Hall of Fame. He earned a bachelor's degree in education from Western Illinois University, where he was a two-sport standout in baseball and basketball. He went on to earn a master's degree in education from Northern Illinois University. He met and fell in love with Nancy and was married in 1952. Together they lived in Glen Ellyn, IL; West Chicago, IL; Door County, WI; and DeBary, FL.

Van Proyen had a baseball career that spanned 50 years. He was drafted by the St. Louis Browns and played four years in their minor league system. He was a teacher and, also, a football and baseball coach at Maine South High School in Park Ridge, IL, for 30 years. Glen was a mentor to a great many students and athletes. He was a long-time basketball referee who worked several Illinois state championship tournaments and was inducted into the IBCA Hall of Fame. Glen was a highly respected professional baseball scout for 46 years, working 35 years with the Los Angeles Dodgers and 11 years with the Chicago Cubs. Glen had a talent for finding "diamonds in the rough" and signed many ballplayers to professional baseball contracts. He also was a great storyteller and powerful motivational speaker. Above all, he was a devoted and loving husband, father, grandfather, and friend.

Glen wanted his family and friends to know he had a wonderful life that was extremely rich because of them. He was not afraid of death and did not wish his family and friends to mourn his passing but, rather, to celebrate his living.

Glen's family would like to thank the caregivers of Monastery Oaks in Orange City, Florida, and VITAS Hospice for their loving and compassionate care.

Memorial donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

#### Preferred Charity

Alzheimer's Association (<http://www.alz.org/donate>)

#### Online Obituary

Daily Herald (<http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/dailyherald/>)  
The West Volusia Beacon  
(<http://beacononlinenews.com/articles/2016/12/07/glen-van-proyen/>)  
Chicago Tribune  
(<http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/chicagotribune/obituary.aspx?n=glen-van-proyen&pid=183007441>)

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#### Coordinator

Contact (<mailto:kbvp55%40ameritech.net>)  
Ken Van Proyen  
(<mailto:kbvp55%40ameritech.net>)

## Open House

**Dates and Times:** Friday Dec 30, 2016 5:00pm - 8:00pm  
(All times are local)

View location in Google Maps  
([http://maps.google.com/?q=223 Caddie Court,DeBary,FL,32713,United States](http://maps.google.com/?q=223+Caddie+Court,DeBary,FL,32713,United+States))

**Location:** Home of Holly & Len Kapacinkas  
223 Caddie Court  
DeBary, FL 32713  
United States  
(tel:)  
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## Celebration of Glen's Life

### Dates

#### and Times:

(All times are local)

**Saturday Jan 21, 2017 11:00am - 12:30pm**

**Location:** Arrowhead Golf Club  
26W151 Butterfield Road  
Wheaton, IL 60189  
United States  
(tel:)  
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**Other Info:** The opportunity will be given to all who would like to share their thoughts, memories, and stories of Glen's life. For those who cannot attend, we are putting together a book of memories, so feel free to mail your stories to Nancy Van Proyen at 223 Caddie Court, DeBary, FL 32713 or email her at: [nangogh@sbcglobal.net](mailto:nangogh@sbcglobal.net)

For those who would like to share a favorite photograph(s) with the family, please email it to Holly Kapacinkas at [hollykap@att.net](mailto:hollykap@att.net)

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## Luncheon

### Dates and

#### Times:

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**Saturday Jan 21, 2017 12:30pm - 12:00pm**

**Location:** Arrowhead Golf Club  
26W151 Butterfield Road  
Wheaton, IL 60189  
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**Other Info:** Please RSVP to Ken Van Proyen at [kenvp@att.net](mailto:kenvp@att.net) by January 11, 2017 if you will be able to join us for the luncheon after the celebration.

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