



Martin "Marty" Boettner

April 17, 1951 - January 1, 2022

Martin "Marty" Boettner, 70, of Plainville, passed away Saturday (January 1, 2022) at the Hospital of Central Connecticut in New Britain. Born in, Sheboygan, WI, he was a former New Britain resident for forty years, before moving to Plainville in 2014. Marty always spent his summers back in Sheboygan. A graduate of South High School, class of 1969, in Sheboygan, he received an Associate's Degree from Concordia College in Milwaukee, and later received his Bachelor's Degree from Concordia Teacher's College in 1974. Marty was a teacher and the Principal at St. Matthew's Lutheran School in New Britain for 43 years, retiring in 2016. He was a member of Grace Lutheran Church in Plainville.

Surviving is his brother, Bruce Boettner and his wife Debra in Sheboygan; and two nephews, Adam Boettner, his wife Angie, and son Archer. Peter Boettner, his wife Lisa, and daughter, Brooke. Marty's family wishes to express their heartfelt appreciation and gratitude to Marty's friends, especially Celeste and Joe.

At Marty's request, there are no funeral services at this time. There are no calling hours. Carlson Funeral Home, New Britain, is in charge of arrangements. Please share a memory or note of sympathy at www.carlsonfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall



“ I learned of Mr. Boettner’s death only recently, and must say that his influence on my life and my upbringing as a Christian and a driven student was inestimable. Mr. Boettner was strict but caring, patient but set high expectations, and had an amazing sense of humor that resonated with me as a kid. He was my teacher and school principal from Kindergarten through 8th grade, and I’ll be forever grateful for his role in my years at St. Matt’s. Thanks for razzing me about my misspelling of, “grasshopper,” during the statewide spelling bee championship EVERY time I saw you for the last ~35 years! :)

Frank Murphy - October 25, 2022 at 03:12 PM

HR

“ 'Uncle Marty' was my Godfather. Even though we were not related by blood, Uncle Marty was most certainly part of the family. Uncle Marty practically raised me, at the multi-family home that he shared with my grandparents on Buell Street. There are so many wonderful memories of Uncle Marty that we cherish in our family. Like when he got stuck in the slide at the playground, when he spilled the peas down the hallway stairs, and when I mistook his pillowcases for boxers...just to name a few. Uncle Marty had an energy that cannot be forgotten. His laughter was like medicine. It was near impossible to not smile when Uncle Marty was around. We miss you so much, Uncle Marty, and will always hold your memories dear to our hearts. Love Always, Hadley <3

Haley Rentsch - March 25, 2022 at 12:51 PM

JM

“ So sorry to here of Mr. Boettner’s passing. My daughter attended St. Matthew’s. I always remember going to Camp Sloper in the spring for the day with a cook out and other special times the children had with him. My condolences.

Jennifer Miller - March 01, 2022 at 06:32 PM

JM

**hear of his passing.*

Jennifer Miller - March 01, 2022 at 06:33 PM



“ I was extremely fortunate to spend my elementary school years at St. Matt’s where Mr. Boettner was my principal and teacher (3rd & 4th grades). I remember him as an incredibly kind man who cared deeply for his students. Most fondly however, I remember Mr. Boettner for his continued support long after my days at St. Matt’s. Mr. Boettner attended both my middle school graduation in 2009 and most recently, a speaking engagement I had in 2020 - both were pleasant surprises! Great educators truly leave a lasting impact on their students. I am so thankful for Mr. Boettner’s impact on my life and for awesome memories that I will cherish forever. Rest in eternal peace “Mr. B.” God bless - Basil

Basil Niccolls Jr. - February 18, 2022 at 06:58 AM

IS

“ Marty was such a pleasure to know, his generous nature and talents with decorating our spaces were so appreciated. I will miss his smile most of all.

irma h steeves - January 28, 2022 at 02:31 PM

KA

“ *RIP Marty
I am so glad I was able to meet Marty. What a wonderful man. Always smiling sharing a joke
May you rest in eternal peace
Amen*



kathy - January 28, 2022 at 03:54 AM

EV

“ *Marty was a wonderful person and friend. He was very active at our church and we all got to know him and love him. He is deeply missed by all. Peace to his family. Our deepest sympathies. Gary and Edie Valencis*



Edie Valencis - January 25, 2022 at 10:27 AM

LH

“ *Laura And John Harrison lit a candle in memory of Martin "Marty" Boettner*



Laura and John Harrison - January 19, 2022 at 04:17 PM

LC

“ *Lori Consalvo lit a candle in memory of Martin "Marty" Boettner*



Lori Consalvo - January 17, 2022 at 12:54 PM



“ *During the time in which I served as pastor at Grace Lutheran, I was blessed to know Marty! Marty was a faithful and dedicated participant in the life of the congregation. His presence among us week in and week out was one that uplifted all of our spirits. He had a deep and abiding love for his faith, one lived out in the many ways he gave of himself to our church community.*

Marty was a joy to be around! He enlivened our church activities by his kind and positive presence. He cared deeply about people and truly loved doing whatever he could to enhance the beauty of our worship area and the entrances to our building. I will never forget all that he did so generously to help decorate our sanctuary for special occasions when we gathered together as a community of faith.

I will also long remember his participation in our educational forums. In these gatherings, he both asked great questions and offered wonderful, heartfelt insights, all founded upon his deeply rooted faith. I did not have the privilege of knowing Marty in the days when he served as a Principal, but from all that I have been told, he truly was a great one! His love for people was most apparent to all of us who knew him, and I am sure that all those children whose lives he influenced as an educator are deeply grateful for everything he contributed to their lives, most exemplified in the values that he not only shared, but so faithfully lived!

Through the way he lived his life and the many ways that life made others better, Marty was a joy to know and a true inspiration. As we mourn his loss, we give thanks for a life so well lived and for the impact Marty's life had on so many!

Well done, good and faithful servant.....

Pastor Bob LaRochelle

Rev. Dr. Robert R. LaRochelle

Pastor, Grace Lutheran Church, ELCA, Plainville, CT- 2019-2021

Robert LaRochelle - January 17, 2022 at 10:08 AM

JK

“ *Jennifer Kirkpatrick lit a candle in memory of
Martin "Marty" Boettner*



Jennifer Kirkpatrick - January 16, 2022 at 11:44 PM

“ I remember in 1st and 2nd grade (1977 ish) Mr. Boettner was my teacher, and I was often the subject of attention for "talking too much in class." I mean, you don't get the nickname "motor mouth" from your father by sitting quietly. 🤔I remember fondly when he would play the acoustic guitar for us to sing I remember learning from him.

He then became the principal....which from his obituary, I find out he continued to do so until 2016..... 43 years..... basically, the majority of my life.... (sigh)to be committed to education and a school I know has struggled now for some time leaves me in awe.
Dedication.

This is also a man who I recall spending Wednesday night dinner with my family at my grandmother's when i was growing up. Because she had her brother (my Uncle Rudy), Mr. Boettner (my principal.....Kinda awkward at times, LOL!), and whoever was the Vicar at the time over for dinner before their Wednesday night church meetings. It's just how she was.

He was a close family friend. He'd come to the beach cottage my grandmother rented during the summer. I also remember in college, he came out to watch some friends who played an acoustic guitar gig at the Stonewell - one of which graduated from St. Matthew's... Most recent memories though was seeing him at my family member's funerals.... let's face it, he was family, too.

I may not have many stories because my memory is 95% about how people made me feel, and I remember him as kind, loyal, nurturing compassionate, present, caring, and funny. And he made a difference in my life. I saw him within the last decade, at a funeral. I remember we cried, and reminisced, and we laughed.

I remember he always wanted me to call him Marty after I got out of high school. I could never - not the way I was raised. He will always be Mr. Boettner to me.

Rest in Peace. I know you enjoyed a warm welcome into eternity

and are celebrating with the Kalwat clan who has gone before you. Until we meet again. Rest in Peace. And thank you for making a difference in so many lives, namely mine.

Jennifer Kirkpatrick - January 16, 2022 at 11:43 PM

JK

My sincerest condolences to his family. Please know he will be lovingly remembered by my brother and me always.

Jennifer Kirkpatrick - January 16, 2022 at 11:44 PM