



## Earl Metzger

August 12, 2011

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812-482-4141 Dateline Jasper, Indiana Earl Metzger, age 69, passes away at 1:58 a.m. Friday (August 12, 2011) in Memorial Hospital & Health Care Center in Jasper. He was born in Huntingburg, Indiana July 26, 1942 to Gilbert E. and Mary Jane (King) Metzger. He married Sylvia Schneider on April 4, 1964 in St. Joseph Catholic Church. Earl Metzger owned and was general manager of WITZ and WQKZ Radio Stations and also previously WITY Radio Station in Danville, Illinois. He was also part -owner and president of the Holiday Liquors Store chain. Earl was a member of the Jasper High School Class of 1960, graduated from the Kentucky School of Mortuary Science and attended Bellarmine College in Louisville, Kentucky He served on the Board of Vincennes University, Jasper Center and the board of the First United Federal Savings Bank, and served on the advisory board of the Permanent Federal Savings Bank.

Member of the Indiana Broadcasters Hall of Fame of which he served as President of the Broadcasters Pioneers. As a member of the IBA, he had served on the board as Secretary/Treasurer, President elect and President. He was instrumental in formation of the IBA State-Wide Radio Network. He was involved in organizing the Junior Achievement Program in Jasper serving as its Vice President and President as well as heading many of it fund drives. Also served as past secretary of the Jasper Lions Club.

He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church where he had taught religious education; he also broadcasted Midnight Mass from St. Joseph's Church.. Jasper Knight of Columbus, Jasper Lions Club, Jasper Chamber of Commerce.

His hobbies were Golfing, Hunting, Auto Racing, Bowling and he loved his Motor Home. Surviving,

Wife, Sylvia Metzger

Two sons,

Nick Metzger, Cincinnati, OH

Luke Metzger, Jasper, IN

One brother, Robert Metzger, Louisville, KY

Four grandchildren, Cameron, Lilyanna, Ryan and Cloey.

Preceding him in death are one sister, Jeanne Schnell and one brother, Glenn Metzger.

Funeral services for Earl Metzger will be held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday (August 16, 2011) in St. Joseph Catholic Church with burial to follow in Fairview Cemetery in Jasper.

Friends may call from 2-8 p.m. Monday ( August 15, 2011) at the Becher & Kluesner Downtown Chapel in Jasper.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Joseph's Catholic Church -The Sylvia and Earl Metzger Endowment Fund for St. Joseph parish in C/O the Dubois County Community Foundation.. – Lange-Fuhs Cancer Center C/O Memorial Hospital & Health Care Center or to a favorite charity.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Earl Metzger*

January 01, 2023 at 10:54 AM



“ *Earl was uniquely special among community leaders in Indiana. He made the listening area of his stations better places to live and work. My condolences to his family, friends and staff. Andy Fisher  
Press Secretary  
U.S. Sen. Dick Lugar*

**Andy Fisher** - August 19, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dearest Sylvia; I cannot put into words the sorry and loss you feel today and for a long time in the future.  
I hope you and your sons can reflect on the wonderful, long years you shared with love and joy. I hope you'll be able to remember Earl and the thoughts bring a smile to your face.  
Your in my thoughts and prayers;  
God Bless & Love You;  
Sylvia Stemle Schepers, San Diego*

**SYLVIA** - August 19, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Sylvia and Family, What fond memories I have of Earl all the way back to the Christmas parties at the country club when we were young children and grade school. The memories of the two of you in high school. You had some beautiful years together and memories to last your lifetime. Mary Anne*

**Mary Anne Beaulac** - August 19, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RA

“ We are sorry for your loss and thinking of you and your entire family during this time. Rob & Kelli Arnold

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**Rob & Kelli Arnold** - August 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ Bob, please know that I'm praying for your comfort and peace. Please extend my sympathy to the rest of your family. I know the next few days will be very rough, but also know that the love and comfort from family and friends sustains us, even lifts us up. Thoughts and prayers and hugs coming your way...  
gayle

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**gayle Stapleton** - August 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ TO Sylvia and the family of Earl Metzger:  
Sylvia: We were so sorry to hear of Earl's passing. Our sincere prayers and consolation are with you and your family during this difficult time. It was so nice to visit with you and Earl at the 50th Class Reunion. May you find comfort in treasured memories or your life together. With Sincere Sympathy Dot & Joe Alford (Former Dorothy Fuhrman - classmate or Earl's)

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**Dot & Joe Alford (Former Dorothy Fuhrman--classmate of Earl Metzger** - August 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Sylvia, Bob and Family, I'm so sorry to read of Earl's passing. Prayers and Sympathy.

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**Sarah Berger Humphrey** - August 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ *Sylvia and family,  
I am so sorry for your loss. I know Earl will be missed by many!! I  
hope the good memories will be a comfort in the days, weeks, years  
ahead for you.  
Ruth Reyling Houk*

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**Ruth Reyling Houk** - August 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM

ME

“ *We are all so sorry to hear about Earl. He played a very important  
role in the lives of many in his community, with his family, and his  
friends. You all can take comfort in knowing that he is in a much  
better place and no longer suffering. All of us will hang on to the  
fond memories we had of Earl. Ben of course didn't know him till  
Ben was in his teens but my brothers and I have many fond  
memories of traveling back and forth between Louisville and Jasper  
and all the good times we shared. Although all our lives have gone  
in different directions we take with us the funny things that  
happened along the way. I'll never forget the Little Christmas' we  
shared. God Bless and keep you during this difficult time. Your  
cousin,  
Mary Jane Mitzlaff Eddie*

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**Mary Jane and Ben Eddie** - August 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ *Sylvia: My sympathy on your loss. When I was down last week for  
the Class Reunion I was saddened to hear of Earl's illness. Many  
prayers and love to you and your family. Arnie Brames*

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**Arnie Brames** - August 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ Nick and the entire Metzger family. I want to send my deepest sympathy in this difficult time for your family. Myself and my family wish you the best and our thoughts and prayers will be with you. If there is anything we can do to help in any way please contact me. Take Care and God Bless !!!!  
Kurt

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**Kurt Searer** - August 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM