



## Albert Lee Justvig

April 24, 1941 - August 20, 2012

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RACINE – Albert Lee Justvig, 71, passed away peacefully at his residence with his family by his side on Monday, August 20, 2012. Al was born in Niles, Michigan on April 24, 1941, the son of the late Bramwell and Violet (nee: Rolston) Justvig. He was a graduate of Wyandotte High School “Class of 1959”. Al was united in marriage to Clora Baskett on July 2, 1961 in Kansas City, Kansas. He owned and operated Area’s Best Carpet Cleaning, in addition to pest control and managed Lee’s Deli for ten years. Al was a member of the Salvation Army in Oak Creek and had been the Band Master of the Salvation Army Band in Racine. He loved being outdoors, camping at White Water Lake with his family and snowmobiling. Al also loved riding his motorcycle and taking many cross-country trips. He had played in the city softball and basketball leagues for many years.

Al is survived by his wife of 51 years, Clora and their children; Penny Justvig, Kandi (Jim) Bouwma, Wesley (Shannaki) Justvig, Sheila (Ryan) Simonsen, all of Racine, grandchildren, Joshua Johnson, Dustin (Karon) Bouwma, Andrew (Julia) Bouwma, Samatha Bouwma, Hannah Vitacco, Raven Larsen, Jared Simonsen, Kyle Simonsen and Loghan Simonsen. He is further survived by several great grandchildren, sisters and one brother, Grayce Bloom, George Justvig, George Justvig, Beverly (Gene) Schweizer, Barbra (Steve) Barton, and Majors Judy (Larry) McPherson, along with nieces, nephews, other relatives and many dear friends.

Al was preceded in death by his parents, infant brother, mother-in-law and father-in-law and brother-in-law and sister-in-law.

Memorial service will be held at Sturino Funeral Home on Saturday August 25, 2012 at 11 a.m. Al will be laid to rest in a private ceremony at West Lawn Memorial Park. Visitation will be held at Sturino Funeral Home on Friday, August, 24, 2012 from 5 until 7 p.m. and on Saturday from 10 until service time at 11 a.m.

Memorials to Salvation Army or to Hospice Advantage have been suggested. A special thank you to Hospice Advantage for their care and support, especially Christina.

# Cemetery Details

## West Lawn Memorial Park

9000 Washington Ave  
Racine, WI 53406

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **24**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Sturino Funeral Home  
3014 Northwestern Avenue  
Racine, WI 53404  
(262) 632-4479  
info@sturinofuneralhome.com

## Visitation

AUG **25**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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## Memorial Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Sturino Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Albert Lee Justvig*



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**Sturino Funeral Home** - August 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

“ Albert Lee Justvig

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*There are heroes who walk among us  
never looking for glory or praise  
they don't seek recognition  
for their thoughtful, caring ways.  
Living lives of deep commitment  
providing for those they hold dear  
Steadfast with a quiet strength  
through times of laughter and tears.  
Al is that person,  
The most selfless man by far...  
(So Al, I'd like to thank you  
For being the HERO that you are)*

*I met Albert....*

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*I'm trying to remember when it was - when was it that I did meet Albert for the first time? As I recall it was in late August 1967; 45 years ago this week in the waning days of The Salvation Army's Central Music Institute, CMI. I don't really know how we were introduced; most likely by his sister, Judy. No matter we quickly began to converse about a number of things (I was trying to impress him with my competency of motorcycle knowledge and why my 80cc Suzuki was so much better than his Honda 150cc). I stood little chance in success, especially because Denny Crowell was there to back him up. Al tolerated me that night; thus as we ended our conversation that evening; how was I to know of the amazing man he was from those few sentences on that summer evening?*

*To his sisters he was...*

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*As Judy so eloquently said to the family and Al in her tribute:*

*"My father died in 1966 at the age of 55. His death was devastating for our whole family, especially my mother. I was only 16 years old at the time. My memory is of my wonderful brother, Al, taking charge, and helping us all through such a difficult time. Al was only 25 years old, but was so responsible and helpful. Albert never changed, he's always been that way, whenever anyone needed anything, and he was always there to help. I'll miss Al more than words can express, but I'm so thankful to the Lord for blessing my life with such a wonderful brother. Al is with our Lord now and my parents. I'll miss you Al, but no worries; I'll see you in heaven.*

*With all my love,*

*Judy"*

*As I recall when Mom Justvig passed in 1977, the same Albert stepped forward to take the helm and guide the family through the storms the families were catapulted into those late summer days.*

*To his family he was...*

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*Father*

*Put their interests first, always.*

*Protector*

*Invested time*

*Touched them, Hugged them*

*Played with them*

*He was there for them*

*The 'working-ess' guy I ever knew for his family*

*...and then what more could he give to them? It was to be an example of Christ on earth to his family.*

*To his brother he was...*

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*I'm sure George can attest to the faithfulness of Al's example of being a brother (even when they were the menace of the north side of KCK as teenagers, when no street light was safe from them or their pellet guns!*

*What times of fun they must've had riding motorcycles, snowmobiling, boating, and carousing around in stories we family members may have never even heard yet.*

*Better yet, true to his character, whenever George would need Albert, Al would be right there to help. That was George's brother. Al certainly epitomized Bill Withers's song:*

*Lean on me, when you're not strong  
And I'll be your friend  
I'll help you carry on  
For it won't be long  
'Til I'm gonna need  
Somebody to lean on*

*Please swallow your pride  
If I have things you need to borrow  
For no one can fill those of your needs  
That you won't let show  
You just call on me brother, when you need a hand  
We all need somebody to lean on  
I just might have a problem that you'd understand  
We all need somebody to lean on*

*Now if the qualities of Al as a father were such as they were then, though I wasn't around them all that much (the grand children and great-grand children), then I know his father-hood flowed over to his being a Grandfather & Great-Grandfather. He loved his family, children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.*

*To his school he was...*

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*Part of the legacy of what Al is was formed in his late teenage years at the school he and some of his family graduated from – Wyandotte*



**Laurence (Larry) McPherson** - August 27, 2012 at 12:24 PM

BS

“ *Memories of my brother are so very many. However, most of my memories of Albert are of how protective he was om me. I was born 2 years after Albert, I am his sister, Beverly. If he didn't approve of a boy I was seeing he let it be known. I really don't think he wanted me to have a boyfriend, because he chased all of them off. I know he loved all of his brothers and sisters, because he always showed his love to us by helping us when ever there was a need. You blessed my life so much and I'm so thankful you were my brother. As Judy has said: we will miss you Al, but we will rejoice with you when God calls us home to be with you, Mom and Dad.*

**Beverly Justvig Schweizer** - August 25, 2012 at 11:40 AM

DL

“ *Diane Lapetina lit a candle in memory of Albert Lee Justvig*



**Diane Lapetina** - August 24, 2012 at 12:05 PM

PB

“ Paul D Boyer lit a candle in memory of Albert Lee Justvig



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Paul D Boyer - August 24, 2012 at 10:18 AM

KB

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Kandi Bouwma - August 22, 2012 at 08:16 AM

JM

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*With all my love,*

*Judy*

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**Judy McPherson** - August 21, 2012 at 07:21 PM

DR

*Prayers and Condolences to the family. I graduated from Wyandotte High School with Al. So sorry to hear of his passing. RIP and go with God Al!!!!*

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**Darwin K. "Skip" Richardson** - August 22, 2012 at 03:50 PM