



## Earl C. Bossenberry

January 5, 1928 - March 12, 2020

Earl C. Bossenberry, age 92, of Royal Oak, passed away March 12, 2020.

Born January 5, 1928 to Clayton and Catherine (Melloy) Bossenberry, Earl was raised in Highland Park, MI. Upon high school graduation he joined the Navy, spending most of that time on a ship in the Pacific theatre. He went on to college under the GI Bill earning a business degree and played both baseball and basketball through those years at Highland Park CC and Michigan State Normal College (now EMU), ultimately leading to the minor leagues with the St. Louis Browns organization.

Most of Earl's working life was proudly spent in stock and bond brokerage with Merrill Lynch, helping his clients access the markets with a steady hand. He drew on that expertise to help finance councils and manage money for charitable foundations throughout his career as an investor. When away from work, he coached youth baseball and developed a wonderfully smooth golf swing. Sports were a big part of how Earl spent time with his family, mostly as a fan of his grandkids who were the main source of joy in his later life, along with his love for his church.

Beloved husband of Laura for 61 years. Loving father of Renée (Kevin) Lynch, Julie Bossenberry (David Regan), Stephen Bossenberry, Suzanne (Brad) Cross, Melanie (Bryan) Boswell, Camille Bossenberry (Jon Dole). Proud

grandfather of Bryan, Travis, Nigel, Gillian, Nikolaus, Laurel, Olivia, Kara Louise, Irelyn, Allison (Scott Kennedy), Bobby, Clayton, Gavin, Julia, Natalie, Elliot, James, Colette. Dear brother of the late Lillian Berlin. Uncle of many nieces and nephews. Cherished cousin of Bob Bossenberry.

In an effort to keep everyone safe and healthy, services will be private.

In lieu of flowers, memorials appreciated to:  
Mahany/Meininger Senior Community Center  
Attn.: Tim's Kitchen  
3500 Marais Ave.  
Royal Oak, MI 48073

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# Cemetery Details

## **St. Peter's Catholic Church, St. Joseph**

73334 Bluewater Highway  
RR2 Zurich, ON N0M 2T0 (CA)

# Tribute Wall

RT

“Dearest Aunt Laura, Girls and Stephen,  
May our Lord bring you special memories in your time of loss. Uncle Earl was a favorite uncle of mine. Life is a journey and he lived it well. He was considerate, generous, had beautiful sparkling blue eyes that smiled with kindness, he was easy to talk to and I admired him!

Because of his love for golf (lol) he and Aunt Laura would make their yearly trips to Louisiana in early spring. (He couldn't play golf in Michigan. Lol) This was always a special time and blessing for the Latiolais Sisters, especially my mom Jo, it helped them to remain close throughout the years, so many great family memories.

About 5 years ago we had a retired priest Father Floyd Calais who would say mass sometimes, he had a heavy accent, and the best sermons, down to earth, easy to relate to, he loved our Lord with a Cajun flare!! Come to find out he was from Cecilia, so of course I had to ask if he knew any of my relatives. Lol

When I told him who my mom's family was, his eyes lit up and he had a huge smile and said of course!! "When I was newly ordained, I married Earl and Laura, they were a beautiful loving couple and I also would play golf with him on his trips down south." (Who would ever forget that beautiful couple!)

May your loving father rest in peace, he's finally found rest for his weary soul, he suffered enough on this earth to bring him straight in to the arms of our Loving Father. Plus, I'm sure my dad T-Ray is gonna be there to show him around! Lol

And sadly since I wrote this my dear mother Jo "Georgia" Aunt Laura's sister has also passed, I have no doubt Uncle Earl was there to welcome her to her heavenly home!!

Love to you all and GOD BLESS!

Rachel Thibodeaux & family

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Rachel A Thibodeaux - September 03, 2020 at 10:35 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Earl C. Bossenberry.*



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March 29, 2020 at 05:20 PM



“ *My heart goes out to all the Bossenberry family and especially to Mrs. B who has shown all of us the true meaning of love and marriage. Their's was a true and faith-filled one of a kind love. I'm sending all of you love and hugs. You kids had an amazing inspirational dad. I know you will all be there for each other. With Love, Mary Koledo McCloud*

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**Mary Koledo McCloud** - March 25, 2020 at 05:02 PM



“ *"There are no goodbyes for us. Wherever you are, you will always be in my heart."*

*Mahatma Gandhi*

*Uncle Earl was my God-Father and I have nothing but fond and warm memories of him.*

*My heart goes out to you Laura and family.*

*Although I don't know exactly what to say, I want you to know that I am with you in thought and wish you comfort and peace.*

*Wayne Bossenberry (Gayle)  
Quebec, Canada*

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**Wayne Bossenberry** - March 25, 2020 at 01:52 PM

DM

“ HOW WILL I REMEMBER EARL?MOSTOF ALL I,LL REMEMBER MY FRIEND WHO CAN,T PLAY GOLF WITH ME ANY MORE.FRIENDS PLAYING GOLF TELL YOU THINGS THAT THEY DON,T EXPRESS WITH OTHERS.EARL LIKE ME WAS A PRIVATE PERSON HE MAY BE DID NOT SHARE HIS THOUGHTS WITH PEOPLE CLOSE TO HIM.MANY TIMES HE MENTIONED HOW PROUD HE WAS OF HIS FAMILY .ON THE GOLF COURSE IT DIDN,T MATTER IF WE TALKING ABOUT GOLF OR ABOUT THE STOCK MARKET.IT DIDN,T MATTER .WE WERE TALKING AND LAUGHING ,ENJOYING EACH OTHERS COMPANY.EARL WAS A STUDENT OF THE GAME AND MANY TIMES GAVE ME SUGGESTIONS.I CAN,T PLAY GOLF WITH EARL ANYMORE.BUT HE WILL BE WATCHING AS I TEE OFF IN THE EARLY MORNING, YOU CAN SMELL THE FRESHLY CUT GRASS .I DON,T KNOW WHAT GOLF IS IN HEAVEN BUT THAT IS CLOSE.I WISH I COULD GIVE HIM MORE THAN MY WORDS AND THE THANKS FOR THE MANY HOURS OF ENJOYMENT WE HAD TOGETHER.I,M GLAD EARL WAS MY FRIEND .HE WAS A GOOD PERSON.WE ARE ALL BETTER FROM HAVING KNOWN HIM.HE,S IN A BETTER PLACE NOW. I BELIEVE WITH A SUPER GREAT GOLF COURSE.WELL...BIG GUY YOU MADE THERE FIRST ...SO MAKE SURE YOU GET US SOME GOOD TEE TIMES GOD BLESS YOU EARL YOUR FRIIEND---DAN MISTURA

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**DAN MISTURA** - March 25, 2020 at 12:58 PM

GS

“ There's nothing I can add to all of the wonderful and accurate things that others have already written about Earl other than to say that, despite the fact that he would never let me beat him at either racquetball or golf, he really was one of the nicest persons I've ever known.

*George and Mary Schulte*

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**George Schulte** - March 24, 2020 at 07:48 PM

RP

“ Earl and I spent many hours together on golf trips and at Red Run. He was my playing partner with the Michigan Seniors. I admired him for his "simon pure" golf swing and his competitive spirit, but most of all he was a gentleman through and through. His love for his religion, his wife and family, his profession all were apparent. I feel blessed to have known him. We will all miss him-----a life well lived!

*May you rest in peace good buddy. Bring that Heavenly National CC to its knees!*

*Ron and Cathy Paske*

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**RONALD S PASKE** - March 24, 2020 at 05:04 PM

LU

“ Earl: kind, positive, humble, faith filled, devoted to family (and a little golf)  
It was a privilege being able to work with Earl for 20+ years.. a class act in every way

Laura, thank you for sharing Earl with us  
You and your family are in our prayers

Luke & Carol Moran

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Luke - March 24, 2020 at 03:52 PM

RR

“ Earl was as kind and nice a gentleman as any person we have ever meet. He always had a kind word or a story about one of his grandkids. He will truly be missed. Sorry for the loss to the entire family, our thoughts and prayers go out to you.

Rick & Kristi Robinson

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Rick Robinson - March 24, 2020 at 03:39 PM

GK

“ I've never met a finer person then Earl. He will be truly missed. My thoughts and prayers are with the entire family.

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Gust Kouvaris - March 24, 2020 at 02:46 PM

KV

“ Such a wonderful, kind man. I'd see Earl at 6 or 6:30 in the morning at Red Run for the daily workout and always looked forward to his cheerful good mornings. He would make me feel so positive, always complimenting me. He couldn't wait to learn what was new with the athletic activities of my kids and update date me on the successes of his grandkids.

*I've never met a man as sincerely kind, caring and positive, I feel so blessed to have known him. It's a shame we can't come in person right now to share our thoughts and condolences. I hope when I pass that Earl will be there to greet me, I'll know for sure I'm in heaven.*

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**Kirk Vercnocke** - March 24, 2020 at 02:05 PM

LY

“ A truly Great Man.Great Parenr,Great Athlete,Great Person.We will miss you Earl B!!!Lee and Marsha Yambura

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**Lee Yambura** - March 24, 2020 at 01:47 PM

MB

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time. We have many wonderful memories of Earl, especially the times Earl and Laura came over to Windsor to watch our son Jason play baseball in the Ontario finals. Both Jason and our daughter Christin have spoke fondly of "Uncle Earl" over the years - he touched our family when we had opportunity to speak on the phone or visit in person. Dad and Mom (Bob and Peggy) will miss the regular phone calls; a piece of our hearts will always be with Earl.

*Love and prayers, Mike and Cath Bossenberry*

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**Mike and Cath Bossenberry** - March 22, 2020 at 07:21 PM

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“ My heart breaks for all of you. In this time of Isolation in the world, please know that hugs and prayers are reaching you all. So many childhood memories of all us kids together laughing about how you say roof or couch (sofa) the american way or the Canadian way. My dads heart (Bob) is so broken. Wishing you all peace and positive memories.  
with much love  
Kim Zinger (Bossenberry) xo

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**Kim Zinger (Bill)** - March 22, 2020 at 05:46 PM

SB

Thanks. Just reading this now  
Stephen

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**Stephen Bossenberry** - March 17, 2023 at 09:51 PM

MR

“ So sorry to hear of Earl's passing. We have always enjoyed having the Bossenberrys in the neighborhood - all of you! including Earl's Mother as our next door neighbor.  
Always enjoyed how kind Earl was when we would see him. Plus we knew that Earl had been David's brother's financial advisor. God bless all of you for the care you gave Earl.  
Prayers and love for Earl and all of you.

*Maureen and David*

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**Maureen Kennedy and David Reed** - March 20, 2020 at 01:26 PM

MM

“ *The world has lost one of the kindest souls I ever had the pleasure of knowing. Clearly his love of faith family and friends was his passion(and golf;). I will forever treasure our time together and find great comfort knowing you are finally resting in the arms of our Lord.  
RIP Mr B*

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**Martha Morgan** - March 19, 2020 at 04:59 AM