



## Edward Robert Noll

November 20, 1952 - July 1, 2016

Edward Robert Noll of Topeka passed to eternal life July 1, 2016, after a heroic battle with cancer. He was surrounded by family and friends during the last hours of his life. Edward ("Ed") was born on November 20, 1952, in Topeka, the son of Jacob and Mary (Ryan) Noll. He received his formative education from Most Pure Heart of Mary Elementary and Hayden Catholic High Schools. He earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Education from Fort Hays State University and a Master of Science Degree in Education Administration from the University of Kansas. His higher education also included doctoral studies at the University of Kansas, with certification for Gifted/Talented and Advanced Placement. His teaching credentials comprise certification in English, Speech, Debate, Forensics, Theatre Arts, Physical Education, Psychology, and Building Administration.

His professional career included both administrative and teaching service in parochial and public schools at levels Pre-K through 12. These schools include those in The Toledo, Ohio Public Schools; the Archdiocese of Kansas City, KS; the Archdiocese of Chicago, IL; the Houston Independent School District, Houston, TX; the Fort Bend Independent School District, Houston, TX; and the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston, TX.

Always a servant of God, Ed shared his gifts to better the world and inspire others, especially the children and youth he served. Some of his many

accomplishments include being named "Teacher of the Year" in several school districts, guest speaker at the NCEA (National Catholic Education Association) Convention, and "Most Outstanding Debate Coach" for two consecutive years in the Fort Bend Independent School District. Ed also led and developed debate teams that reached state and national competitions, served on the North Central Association of Accreditation for Secondary Schools, and developed and sponsored many student programs and extra-curricular activities that elevated school spirit and involvement.

In his personal life, he loved sports, music, politics, and dogs. He was a dedicated KU basketball fan. Even more, he was a loyal Hayden Wildcat, managing to travel and attend almost every Hayden basketball state tournament. He was an intelligent and informed humanitarian, always an advocate for those less fortunate. He was a peacemaker.

Ed was preceded in death by his parents. He was also preceded in death by a beloved family friend, Reverend Father Edward N. Doherty, for whom Ed was named. He is survived by a brother, Dennis Noll (Ellen), Meriden; a sister, Mary Patricia Noll, Topeka; nieces, Holly Noll (Michael Hockenberger) and Sarah Robitzsch; nephew, Shawn Noll; aunt, Gwen Ryan; friend, Carolyn Kaberline; and his Boston Terrier, Sebastian Windsor (who will be adopted by his sister). He also is survived by many cousins, friends, and colleagues.

Ed was a member of Most Pure Heart of Mary Catholic Church.

Visitation will be Wednesday, July 6 from 5-7 PM at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home with a parish rosary at the end of the visitation.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at Most Pure Heart of Mary Church on Thursday, July 7 at 10:00 AM. Burial will follow in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to Most Pure Heart of Mary School or Hayden Catholic High School.

# Cemetery Details

## Mount Calvary Cemetery

801 SW Westchester Rd  
Topeka, KS 66606

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 6. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home  
2801 SW Urish Road  
Topeka, KS 66614  
(785) 272-7888  
[info@kevinbrennanfamily.com](mailto:info@kevinbrennanfamily.com)

## Rosary

JUL 6. 7:00 PM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home  
2801 SW Urish Road  
Topeka, KS 66614  
(785) 272-7888  
[info@kevinbrennanfamily.com](mailto:info@kevinbrennanfamily.com)

## **Mass of Christian Burial**

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JUL 7. 10:00 AM (CT)

Most Pure Heart of Mary Church  
3601 SW 17th Street  
Topeka, KS 66604

# Tribute Wall



“ *Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Edward Robert Noll*



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - July 05, 2016 at 04:34 PM

MN

*Lovely--- thank you so much!*

Mary Noll - July 05, 2016 at 05:15 PM



“ *Edward Robert Noll*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM

DB

“ *I remember Ed with fondness. Eddie and I had some great times at Most Pure Heart of Mary, Hayden and those times continued even as we transitioned into college at Emporia. I will always remember our very long phone conversations, his upbeat attitude and humor. Ed was supportive and a good friend. I am so sorry for your loss.*  
*Debbie Worland Boos*

Debbie Worland Boos - September 15, 2016 at 11:19 AM

MN

*Ed spoke of you often. Thank you for being his friend.*  
*Mary (his sister)*

Mary Noll - April 30, 2017 at 12:42 PM

DM

“ *Dr. Gail McCrimmon lit a candle in memory of Edward Robert Noll*



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**Dr. Gail McCrimmon** - July 06, 2016 at 11:13 PM

JG

“ *Dennis and Mary, we are so sorry for your loss. I have vivid memories of Ed from the old Munson neighborhood. Carolyn and I used to play outside until dark with you and Ed and all the other neighbor kids We had fun running all over that neighborhood playing Witch and Kick the Can until our Mothers made us come home. I see that Ed did a lot of great things in his life and I'm sure you all were proud of all of his accomplishments.*

*With our sympathy,*

*The Grimes girls, Carolyn, Janet, and Becky*

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**Janet Grimes** - July 06, 2016 at 11:11 PM

MN

*Janet-- so nice to hear from you. Thank you.*

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**Mary Noll** - July 08, 2016 at 10:26 PM

MH

“ *Mary.....keeping you & your family in my thoughts & prayers. Mary Kay Hendrickson*

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**Mary Hendrickson** - July 06, 2016 at 10:19 AM

YA

“ *Yolanda A. purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Edward Robert Noll.*



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**Yolanda A.** - July 06, 2016 at 08:25 AM

DC

“ *Dennis, please know that your Voluntary Service Family is sending our love, concern and sympathy to you during this difficult time. We are lifting you in prayer to the only One who can ease your aching heart. I didn't know your brother personally and from our conversations this scripture reminds me of him 2 Timothy 4: 7 I have fought the good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. May God continue to shine His face on you and your family.*

*Love,  
Voluntary Service Staff & Volunteers  
of the Topeka VA Medical Center*

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**Denise Cunningham** - July 05, 2016 at 04:48 PM

MN

“ *The family would like to acknowledge the person who sent the Emerald Garden Basket, but there is no name.*

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**Mary Noll** - July 05, 2016 at 04:26 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Edward Robert Noll.* ”



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July 05, 2016 at 01:43 PM



“ *Gerry Tinsley lit a candle in memory of Edward Robert Noll* ”



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**Gerry Tinsley** - July 05, 2016 at 09:52 AM



“ *Eugene Weishaar lit a candle in memory of Edward Robert Noll* ”



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**Eugene Weishaar** - July 04, 2016 at 06:59 PM



*There is no name on the Emerald Garden Basket. The family would like to recognize the thought and kindness of the person who sent it.*

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**Mary Noll** - July 05, 2016 at 04:24 PM

CS

“ Ed was a friend of mine through his beloved sister, and my beloved friend, Mary. I extend my sympathies to his entire family. Remember the blessings of the happy memories you shared. Know that he is pain-free and at peace and with his LORD.

Chris Sturdivant

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**Christine Sturdivant** - July 04, 2016 at 02:09 PM

MP

“ Sending love and sympathy during this difficult time for the Noll family. I've known Ed for approximately the past fifteen (15) years. We first became acquainted when we were coaching speech and debate activities at different campuses in the greater Houston area. Ed was always charming and had a unique wit. Rest in peace, my friend.



Martha Anne and Marvin Pierson

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**Martha Anne Pierson** - July 04, 2016 at 09:32 AM

YO

“ My condolences to the Noll family. I worked with Mr. Noll as a fellow principal at the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. I know he cared for his students and teachers at his school. He will be missed. Mrs. Agrella, principal of True Cross Catholic School Dickinson Texas.



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**Yolanda** - July 03, 2016 at 07:53 PM



Our condolences to the Noll family. Mike and Kay Watson

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**Kay Watson** - July 04, 2016 at 04:43 PM

SM

“ *Stan and Annetta Magee purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Edward Robert Noll.*



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**Stan and Annetta Magee** - July 02, 2016 at 01:25 PM

SM

“ *Ed and I were Debate Colleagues for quite a long period of time. He built two excellent programs at Marshall and Travis High Schools in Ft. Bend ISD, Sugar Land, Texas, and was regarded as a very good coach, by his colleagues, fellow teachers, administration and most of all, his debate students. The Debate communities in Kansas and Texas have lost a good friend. Ed lived life to its fullest and loved what he did. God bless Mary and the family, and may they find peace and grace in this very difficult time.*

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**Stan Magee** - July 02, 2016 at 12:19 PM

RB

*He was a great principal and I am so glad that I got to work with him he had a wonderful sense of humor.*

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**Robyn Black** - August 04, 2016 at 12:08 PM