



Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien

May 27, 1916 - July 10, 2012

Cornelius (Neil) John Van Bourgondien, Jr., known during the 1960's and 70's as the orchid man of Talbot County, MD, died peacefully at William Hill Manor, July 10, at the age of 96.

Neil was born May 27, 1916, the son of Cornelius John and Elizabeth Van Bourgondien in Middletown, CT. After graduating from high school, he was going to go to the seminary to become a priest but flunked Greek and decided that God had a different calling for him. The Van Bourgondien family moved to Long Island, NY, and his father started raising tulips, as he had done in Holland before immigrating to the United States. Neil recalled that his first job with the corporation was shoveling coal into the boilers to keep the steam up to sterilize the benches. He was so good at that, that he was soon promoted to shoveling horse manure!

At the same time, Neil discovered that God had a different path for him to follow, that path led him to Gretchen Benjamin who was a star table tennis player. On their first date, she soundly beat him, and he promptly fell in love. That love endured 67 years including being separated for four years, almost immediately after they were married, when Neil enlisted in the Army and became an aircraft mechanic. He saw action in the Philippines, Borneo, and Guadalcanal. As a Staff Sergeant, he was so well thought of that one of the pilots he knew let him fly one of the Army's experimental twin engine fighter

bombers to assess its performance. Neil said it was the most thrilling ride the pilot ever had.

Upon returning from the war, it was family and business time. Neil and Gretchen's first child, Janet, died shortly after birth. Surviving her were Dave, then Don, and Marie. The Van Bourgondien Brothers business was also growing and expanding from tulips to orchids, freesia, camellias, gerbera daisies (which the family imported to the US and hybridized to the colors we now have today) along with many other flowers. At one point, Van Bourgondien Brothers was the fifth largest orchid growers in the U.S. When Cornelius Sr. retired, Neil took over as President of the Corporation. At the same time, smog was killing the orchid flowers in New York and it was decided that Neil would move a branch of the business to the Eastern Shore of Maryland, family in tow. In the summer of 1959, Neil and son Dave came to the sleepy town of Bozman with the rest of the family following a few weeks later.

In the 1960's, the closest Catholic Church was in Easton. Neil and Gretchen thought that should change. At first they convinced the local Monsignor to say mass in the second floor of the St. Michael's firehouse. That continued for a few years until the church saw that there were so many people flocking to Sunday afternoon mass that there was a need for better facilities. Then Neil and Gretchen undertook what today would be an unheard of challenge, to have a church completely paid for before construction ever began. They contacted property owners, held bake sales, and obtained the free services of a leading architect. In 1969, St. Michaels Chapel opened its doors.

Never one to be idle, Neil was not only active in the Easton Players during the 60's and 70's, a little theatre group recognized as the oldest continuous little theatre group in the country, but also served as their President for several years.

Throughout his entire life, he served the Catholic Church and in 1987 was ordained a Permanent Deacon by the Diocese of Wilmington. Neil donated countless hours to Sts. Peter & Paul School, reading the bible and explaining scripture to the students. His students from 30 years ago still remember “Mr. Neil” or “Deacon Neil” and the parables that he would teach, not only about the bible but about life and how to live it. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus and St. Ann and Joachim Society Hospice.

In the 1950’s he took a short ride on a friend’s Harley Davidson and thoroughly enjoyed but did not pursue it. Then, at age 50 he bought a Honda Goldwing and rode it until he was 75.

He is preceded in death by his beloved wife, Gretchen; daughter, Marie; and brother, Phil.

He is survived by his children, Dave in Falls Church, VA, Don (Judy) in Trappe, MD, and their son, Donald, Jr. (D.J.), of Easton, MD; one brother, John, of New York; two sisters, Elizabeth Hutchinson and Joan Condit; Marie’s son, Christopher Straub; and many other nieces and nephews.

A funeral liturgy will be celebrated at St. Michaels Chapel on Wednesday, July 18 at 10:30 a.m. Friends may call Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A., 200 S. Harrison St. Easton, on Tuesday, July 17 from 7 p.m.-8 p.m.

Memorial donations may be made to Sts. Peter and Paul School, 900 High St., Easton, MD 21601 and/or Talbot Hospice Foundation, 586 Cynwood Dr. Easton, MD 21601.

Cemetery Details

Woodlawn Memorial Park

11365 Ocean Gateway
Easton, MD 21601

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 17. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Easton Location
200 S Harrison St
Easton, MD 21601
(410) 822-3131
info@fhfuneralhome.com

Service

JUL 18. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Michaels Catholic Chapel
St. Michaels, MD

Tribute Wall

JU

“ *In our thoughts, especially today, Father's Day.* ”



Judy&Don - June 21 at 09:22 AM

JU

“ *Judy sent a virtual gift in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien* ”



Judy - May 28 at 01:07 PM

JU

“ *Judy lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien* ”



Judy - May 11 at 12:07 PM

JU

“ *Dear Pop, We're keeping you close in our thoughts& prayers.* ”



Judy&Don - April 04 at 11:41 AM

JU

“ *Judy lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy - November 25, 2025 at 08:42 AM

JU

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Judy - June 15, 2025 at 11:31 AM

JU

“ *Today marks 109 years since you were born ! We send our love and keep you close in thoughts & prayers. Happy Birthday in Heaven, Pop !*



Judy&Don - May 27, 2025 at 07:07 AM

JU

“ *Judy sent a virtual gift in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



judy - April 20, 2025 at 08:56 AM

JU

“ Twelve years have passed since our Lord & Savior called you HOME, but not a day passes that you aren't with us. Fondly remembered...Don&Judy



Judy - July 10, 2024 at 08:35 AM

JU

“ Judy&Don lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien



Judy&Don - June 16, 2024 at 07:41 AM

JU

“ Thinking of you this Memorial Day, especially since it's YOUR BIRTHDAY.



Judy - May 27, 2024 at 09:57 AM

JU

“ You are with us, ALWAYS.



Judy - March 30, 2024 at 02:44 PM

JU

“ Keeping you close in our thoughts today.
Love, Don & Judy



Judy - November 23, 2023 at 12:41 PM



“ Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM

JU

“ Judy lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J.
Van Bourgondien



Judy - July 10, 2023 at 09:37 AM

JU

“ Love, Don & Judy



Judy - June 18, 2023 at 09:12 AM

JB

“ *Judy L Van Bourgondien lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy L Van Bourgondien - May 28, 2023 at 10:44 AM

JU

“ *Wish you were here to share Easter with us. Thank you for good memories.*



Judy - April 09, 2023 at 08:28 AM



“ *Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



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judy - April 15, 2022 at 09:17 AM

JU

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Judy - June 20, 2021 at 05:12 PM

JU

“ *Judy sent a virtual gift in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy - May 08, 2021 at 03:29 PM

JU

“ *Judy&Don lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy&Don - December 23, 2020 at 10:32 AM

JU

“ *Judy&Don lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy&Don - July 10, 2020 at 10:15 AM

JU

“ *Judy&Don lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy&Don - June 20, 2020 at 09:25 AM

JU

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Judy&Don - May 27, 2020 at 09:08 AM

JU

“ *Judy&Don sent a virtual gift in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy&Don - April 12, 2020 at 09:42 AM

JU

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Judy - April 06, 2020 at 10:52 AM

JU

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Judy&Don - February 17, 2020 at 01:44 PM

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Judy&Don - November 29, 2019 at 09:14 AM

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Judy&Don - November 11, 2019 at 08:05 AM

JU

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Judy - July 10, 2019 at 07:46 AM

JU

“ *Judy&Don lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy&Don - June 16, 2019 at 07:43 AM

JB

“ *Thinking of you today , your birthday.Happy Birthday, Pop !
Love, Judy&Don*



Judy Van Bourgondien - May 27, 2019 at 12:36 PM

JU

“ *Judy sent a virtual gift in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy - April 20, 2019 at 02:33 PM

JU

“ *Judy&Don lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy&Don - December 26, 2018 at 12:58 PM

JU

“ *Judy&Don lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy&Don - November 21, 2018 at 08:30 AM

JD

“ *Judy And Don sent a virtual gift in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy and Don - November 20, 2018 at 11:26 AM

JU

“ *Judy&Don sent a virtual gift in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy&Don - November 10, 2018 at 08:41 PM

DO

“ *Don sent a virtual gift in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Don - October 05, 2018 at 04:14 PM

JU

“ *Judy lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy - July 30, 2018 at 08:34 AM

JU

“ *Judy sent a virtual gift in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy - July 10, 2018 at 11:10 AM

JU

“ *Judy&Don lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy&Don - July 07, 2018 at 10:34 AM

JB

“ *Judy&Don Van Bourgondien lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy&Don Van Bourgondien - June 17, 2018 at 08:08 AM

DO

“ Don sent a virtual gift in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien



Don - June 14, 2018 at 12:01 PM

DO

“ Don sent a virtual gift in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien



Don - May 27, 2018 at 02:02 PM

JU

“ Judy lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien



Judy - May 26, 2018 at 12:46 PM

JU

“ Judy sent a virtual gift in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien



Judy - May 12, 2018 at 09:04 AM

DO

“ Don lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien



Don - April 15, 2018 at 11:14 AM

JV

“ Judy&Don VanBourgondien sent a virtual gift in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien



Judy&Don VanBourgondien - March 31, 2018 at 09:06 AM

DO

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Don - February 14, 2018 at 03:28 PM

JU

“ Judy lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien



Judy - January 26, 2018 at 03:30 PM

JU

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Judy - December 27, 2017 at 08:22 AM

JU

“ *Judy lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy - November 24, 2017 at 02:56 PM

JU

“ *Judy&Don sent a virtual gift in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy&Don - November 11, 2017 at 01:19 PM

DO

“ *Don sent a virtual gift in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Don - October 01, 2017 at 10:29 AM

DO

“ Don lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien



Don - August 07, 2017 at 09:20 AM

JU

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Judy - July 30, 2017 at 08:38 AM

DO

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Don - July 21, 2017 at 01:31 PM

JU

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Judy - July 10, 2017 at 09:23 PM

DO

“ Don sent a virtual gift in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien



Don - July 10, 2017 at 10:39 AM

JU

“ Judy sent a virtual gift in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien



Judy - July 02, 2017 at 08:26 AM

DO

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Judy - December 06, 2016 at 11:21 AM

DO

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Don - November 05, 2016 at 10:05 AM

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Don - October 02, 2016 at 10:12 AM

DO

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Don - September 05, 2016 at 09:27 AM

JB

“ Judy Van Bourgondien sent a virtual gift in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien



Judy Van Bourgondien - July 30, 2016 at 08:33 PM

JB

Pop, you are never far from our thoughts...Love, Don&Judy

Judy Van Bourgondien - July 30, 2016 at 08:34 PM

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Judy - July 10, 2016 at 09:52 AM

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Don - May 31, 2016 at 02:18 PM

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Don - April 17, 2016 at 07:47 AM

DA

“ I miss you Pop.



Dave - March 04, 2016 at 12:12 PM

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Judy - February 12, 2016 at 03:15 PM

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Don - December 06, 2015 at 10:10 AM

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Judy - December 05, 2015 at 08:50 PM

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Judy - November 27, 2015 at 11:29 AM

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Judy - July 10, 2014 at 06:58 AM

DB

“ Coming up on the passing of Pop and I really miss him. As I grow older I look forward to seeing him and Mom again.

Dave Van Bourgondien - July 07, 2014 at 11:41 AM

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JU

“ "What we have once enjoyed we can never lose...All that we love deeply becomes a part of us." Helen Keller



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Don - March 31, 2013 at 09:55 AM

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Don - March 31, 2013 at 09:51 AM

JU

“ We miss you ,Pop.
Love,
Judy & Don



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“ We miss you, Pop. Love, Judy



Judy - December 06, 2012 at 11:56 AM

JU

“ Judy lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J.
Van Bourgondien



Judy - November 21, 2012 at 09:23 AM

JU

“ Judy lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J.
Van Bourgondien



judy - November 07, 2012 at 10:30 AM

JU

“ Judy lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J.
Van Bourgondien



Judy - October 28, 2012 at 10:44 PM

JU

“ *Judy lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy - October 15, 2012 at 01:06 PM

JU

“ *Judy lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



judy - October 09, 2012 at 03:49 PM

JB

“ *Pop,
Not a day passes that we don't think of you & special times shared. Only now do we clearly see that you left with us FAR MORE than you ever took away in passing.....And we are SO grateful. Our love, Always.
Judy & Don*



judy van bourgondien - October 03, 2012 at 10:49 AM

JU

“ *Judy lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy - September 29, 2012 at 08:44 PM

MJ

“ *Miss You, Pop. Love, Judy lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Miss you, Pop. Love, Judy - September 18, 2012 at 07:38 AM

JU

Miss you, Pop. Love, Judy

Judy - September 18, 2012 at 07:39 AM

DO

“ *Don lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Don - September 17, 2012 at 10:24 AM

JU

“ *Judy lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy - September 11, 2012 at 05:07 PM

DO

“ Don lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J.
Van Bourgondien



Don - September 09, 2012 at 10:56 AM

JU

“ Judy lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J.
Van Bourgondien



Judy - September 04, 2012 at 03:22 PM

DB

“ Don Van Bourgondien lit a candle in memory
of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien



Don Van Bourgondien - September 02, 2012 at 11:35 AM

DB

*Not a day passes that you are not in my thoughts and my heart. Peace
in Heaven with Mom, Marie, and Janet. Love you Pop.
Don*

Don Van Bourgondien - September 02, 2012 at 11:38 AM

JU

“ *Judy lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy - August 24, 2012 at 08:48 AM

JU

Miss you so much, Pop. Love, Judy

Judy - August 24, 2012 at 08:48 AM

DO

“ *Don lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Don - August 19, 2012 at 05:34 PM

JU

“ *Judy lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy - August 17, 2012 at 10:21 AM

DO

“ Don lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien



Don - August 12, 2012 at 01:34 PM

MC

“ Mollie L. Connolly lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien



Mollie L. Connolly - August 09, 2012 at 06:33 AM

JU

“ Judy lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien



Judy - August 05, 2012 at 09:19 PM

JU

“ Judy lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien



judy - July 31, 2012 at 09:57 AM

JU

“ *Judy&Don lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy&Don - July 27, 2012 at 04:10 PM

JU

“ *Judy&Don lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy&Don - July 23, 2012 at 02:51 PM

CT

“ *Caroline Taylor lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Caroline Taylor - July 22, 2012 at 03:31 PM

JU

“ *Judy lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy - July 21, 2012 at 07:25 AM

DD

“ Neil was an active member of Talbot Little Theatre. I remember many happy hours rehearsing and performing with him. He was a great talent and a wonderful actor. In one show he played an Anglican Bishop. I was the housemaid who couldn't quite get the greeting right. "Your Grease...your Goose...your Grouse..." To which he'd respond with a gentle chuckle and the character's gruff words. I send my sympathies to his family and other loved ones on this his final bow.

Deborah Dawkins - July 20, 2012 at 04:22 PM

KC

“ Keegan Connolly lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien



Keegan Connolly - July 19, 2012 at 11:23 AM

JU

“ Judy lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien



Judy - July 19, 2012 at 09:11 AM

CH

“ *To My Neighbors and Family*
I mostly remember Mr. Neil from my adolescent years and recall how kind he was and fun he was to talk to. Also I recollect how highly my Mom spoke of him and she would ask about him even in recent years. How ironic is it that God would call up two of his true angels within a week. Obviously, I met your Pop on numerous occasions but unfortunately never new him that well but judging by the people he left behind on this good Earth he was a GREAT man.

Carl W. Hamlin - July 17, 2012 at 10:08 PM

JD

“ *Dear Deacon Neil,*
You are one of the saints I've been privileged to know. My Dad thought so highly of you from knowing you during the building of St. Michael's Church and after. Thank you for visiting him during his last part of life. Thank you for your holy life, including reading stories to the children at Sts. Peter and Paul School. I think it was never the same when you weren't there any more.
Love, Joan Dent

Joan Marie Dent - July 15, 2012 at 08:23 PM

PH

“ *Dear Van Bourgondien Family,*

My deepest condolences for the loss of your pop. I remember spending time with your family as a child and even then was impressed by his kind and deliberate nature then. I feel for you all.

Pete Hamlin - July 15, 2012 at 07:58 PM

PH

“ *Pete & Karla Hamlin lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Pete & Karla Hamlin - July 15, 2012 at 07:24 PM

DS

“ *Dear Pop*

From my earliest memory and throughout my life you were always the example I looked up to. Your dedication to our family and faith set the path we followed that has brought us where we are today. You were always there for me and your selfless love of others and willingness to help was an inspiration to all who had the good fortune to know you. The pain I feel today is my missing your kind and gentle voice, your thoughtful and knowing advice, and love of life that comes from an un-dying faith. I know you are in our Heavenly Father's loving arms and your suffering is over. You will always be in my heart.

Love

Don



Don Van Bourgondien Sr. - July 15, 2012 at 12:13 PM

JV

“ *Judy VanBourgondien lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Judy VanBourgondien - July 15, 2012 at 08:05 AM

JV

Dear Pop -

The self-less way you lived your life through your faith inspired us all and made our world a better place. You will be with me every day at Our Mother's Garden as I pray.... Thank you for so many special moments to remember.... Love, Judy

Judy VanBourgondien - July 15, 2012 at 08:14 AM

SD

“ Sandra Van Bourgondien Dean lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien



Sandra Van Bourgondien Dean - July 13, 2012 at 04:05 PM

DO

Thank you Sandy for your kindness. The orchids were beautiful.
Don

Don - August 19, 2012 at 05:37 PM

CH

“ Carl Hamlin lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien



Carl Hamlin - July 12, 2012 at 10:20 PM

AA

“ *Amanda Andrew lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Amanda Andrew - July 12, 2012 at 07:22 PM

BS

“ *Bill Sard lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Bill Sard - July 12, 2012 at 02:35 PM

MC

“ *Mollie Connolly lit a candle in memory of Cornelius J. Van Bourgondien*



Mollie Connolly - July 12, 2012 at 06:07 AM