



## Iner Anderson

December 1, 2020

Princeton – Iner A. Anderson, 88, of Princeton, IL formerly of Putnam County, a lifelong educator, passed away on Tuesday, December 1, 2020.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions a private funeral service will be held at Christ Community Church in Princeton, IL officiated by Pastor David Mundt, with a graveside service to follow at Riverside Cemetery in Hennepin, IL. A celebration of Iner's life will be held at a later date.

He is survived by his wife, Marjorie Anderson of Princeton, IL; two children, Cindy (Scott) Smith of Princeton, IL and Randy (Jennifer) Iner Anderson of Manhattan Beach, CA; four grandchildren (the joys of his life), Trisha Marie Smith, Taylor May Smith, Jackson Thomas Anderson and Ava Evelyn Anderson. Iner was preceded in death by his parents, Oscar and Eva Anderson and his mother and father-in-law, Ivan and Berneda Brown of Fairbury, IL.

He was born at St. Margaret's Hospital in Spring Valley, Illinois on September 17, 1932 to the late Oscar and Eva (Nielsen) Anderson of Granville, IL, He spent his earliest years in his father's home town of Abbekas Sweden and later returned to Putnam County where he graduated from Hopkins High School where he was valedictorian to the Class of 1950. He received his Bachelor's Degree in 1955, and his Master's Degree in School Administration

in 1964 from Illinois State University in Normal, IL.

Iner faithfully served in the U.S. Army, as a Medical Technician and Supervisor for two years as well as serving in the United States Army Reserves. After serving his country he met his wife of 55 years Marjorie Ellen (Brown) Anderson. They married on June 13, 1965. She survives.

Iner began his passion in education as a classroom teacher and coach in Magnolia, IL. Shortly thereafter he became the Superintendent of Putnam/Senachwine Schools in Putnam, Illinois. He enjoyed his years there so much and made many lifelong friends. He then served for 32 years as the Regional Superintendent of Schools for Marshall, Putnam and Woodford County. He was always so grateful to all the voters who supported him and enjoyed working with all his colleagues.

After retirement he spent several years as Interim Superintendent at Ransom Grade School, Ransom, IL. and 16 years as a part-time school bus driving instructor. Throughout his many years in education he made many lifelong friends whom he enjoyed.

Iner was a member of numerous professional and civic organizations including: The National Education Association; The Association of Regional Superintendents; The State Public Transportation Advisory Committee where he served as President; Education Chairman for Marshall and Putnam County Cancer Society; Past President of the Lacon Rotary Club. He was also a member of the Putnam County Welfare Committee and a member of the 1st Lutheran Church in Granville, IL where he served on the church council.

His fondest memories were the countless hours he spent with his children, grandchildren and his friends. He enjoyed a variety of sports as a participant, coach and spectator. He was an avid Cubs and Bulls fan. He particularly

enjoyed his post-game phone calls with his fellow fan and good friend Mick Plymire.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the donor's choice in Iner's memory or to Christ Community Church in Princeton, IL.

Online memorials and condolences may be left at [www.norbergfh.com](http://www.norbergfh.com)

Arrangements by Norberg Memorial Home, Inc. & Monuments.

# Tribute Wall

LM

“ *LaSalle-Peru-Oglesby Junior College was not mentioned in Iner's Obituary. Iner and I were good friends at LPO. We were "brothers" in that we both took the "high road" in that we both went into Education and the US Army. Iner was tops in so many ways. Once we graduated LPO, we went our different ways but ended up serving those who needed it most, students!!! and the US Army. Marjorie, you married a very good man! Congratulations and my condolence in his passing. Lyle Morrow*

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**Lyle Morrow** - December 10, 2020 at 03:18 PM

LR

“ *My thoughts and prayers to the Anderson family. My mother (passed away this August) was fortunate to have worked for Mr. Anderson while Regional Superintendent, Eureka office.*

*Louise Graack Rickey*

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**Louise Rickey** - December 08, 2020 at 01:37 PM

MB

“ *Iner was my mentor when I was a principle and at the university earning my superintendent endorsement. I was a very active observer of all of Iner’s interactions with other people, and he was truly a diplomat. His ability to explain a situation or issue to others was wonderful to watch. He always took his time and made sure that the people he was addressing understood every aspect of the issue, and then, he listened closely to their thoughts and ideas. He always treated everyone on equal terms and with the upmost respect, regardless of their status in the community. This is difficult to do without sounding pretentious or condescending, but he always sounded like their friendly next-door neighbor. I think that people trusted him because he was always honest with them. The lessons he taught me; I will never forget. Inter was greatly loved. Rest in Peace.*

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**Mary Pat Baima** - December 08, 2020 at 12:26 PM

MS

“ *Dear Marge and family, I was sorry to hear of your loss of Iner. My parents, Margaret and LeRoy of Washburn, thought so much of him. I know from his visits to Fairbury that he was a special man. I am thinking of you as you deal with his loss. Sincerely, Marcia*

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**Marcia Scherr** - December 08, 2020 at 10:50 AM

MK

“ *My condolences to Marge and the family at this time. I agree so much with a previous posting that said that the world needed more men like Iner. I know he gave so much to people during his life. I wish you love and support and I will miss him.*

*Mary Jane Kidd*

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**Mary Jane Kidd** - December 07, 2020 at 12:41 PM

DR

“ Dear Marge and your family, I was so sad to hear of Iner's passing. Linda has kept me posted how he was doing. I have so many wonderful memories of him and what a very special man he was. I always have remembered him, especially when the rose Bush he gave me blooms. He gave me the insight and direction to stay on the school board and now I am the President. I am sure he is now teaching new Angels in Heaven how to navigate in their wings. Prayers and hugs to you and your family. Diane Rzasa

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**Diane Rzasa** - December 06, 2020 at 09:15 AM

LN

“ I am so sorry for your loss, and I know he will be greatly missed. May God comfort you during this difficult time.

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**Lonna Nauman** - December 05, 2020 at 11:49 AM

JF

“ I her was a great man. Almost thirty years ago he helped me in obtaining my teaching certificate. I would not be a teacher today without his help and guidance. We need more people like Knee in the world.

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**Jackie Fennell** - December 05, 2020 at 11:11 AM

JF

*We need more people like Iner in the world.*

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**Jackie Fennell** - December 05, 2020 at 11:13 AM

TC

*I am sorry to hear of iner's passing. He was a valued colleague, one who was looked to for advice on so many issues , Iner was also someone we looked forward to seeing in non business activities, usually related to golf. He will be missed.*

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**Tom Coffey** - December 13, 2020 at 12:08 PM