



Bernie E. Drone

October 10, 1940 - July 6, 2015

Bernie E. Drone, beloved husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather and friend entered into eternal peace with the divine grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ on July 6, 2015.

Bernie was born October 10, 1940 in Evansville to the late Bernard and Mary Elizabeth (Barwe) Drone.

Bernie attended Sacred Heart Grade School and Mater Dei High School. He was an avid outdoorsman. He loved fishing, hunting, being on the river and being with Dan at his farm. Bernie was a mechanic, owning a garage on the Westside for many years. He was an entrepreneur, dealing in a multitude of business adventures throughout the years. He had been a lifelong member of the Westside Nut Club. His greatest love in his life was his family and dear friends.

Bernie has now joined into the Heavenly Kingdom with his beloved mother, Mary (Barwe) Drone, his father, Bernie Drone, brothers, Jerry and Frank Drone; daughter, Connie Drone; infant daughter, Kathy Drone; grandson, Dewayne Ellsperman and nephews, Jeff and Darren Drone.

Surviving Bernie are his loving and devoted wife of 57 years, Margaret Drone; daughters and sons-in-law, Cindy and Tim Garnett, Angie and Tim Klenck and

Kristy and Steve Waugerman; grandchildren, Chad, Ryan (Michelle) and Tony (Nikki) Garnett, Christian (Eric) Duley, Aleksey, Benjamin, Seth and Sydney Klenck, Kaden and Kendal Waugerman; great grandchildren, David, Noah, Alyssa, Amelia, Sophie, Maggie, Zeda and Mali; brother, Bob (Mary Lou) Drone; sisters, Gayla (Jay) Arendt and Jackie (Jim) Kinsler; sisters-in-law, Terry and Donna Drone; brother-in-law, Andy (Carol) Moore; twenty one nieces and nephews and his dearest and lifelong friend Dan (Dosey) Lehman.

The Drone family would like to extend a very heartfelt thank you to Dr. Thomas Waits and the entire staff of OHA. The compassion and care that Bernie received will never be forgotten. The family would also like to thank the doctors and nurses who cared for him in his final week, especially Dr. Taylor, Dr. Vardi, Dr. Bennett, Dr. Gessford; nurse Brittany and hospice worker Sharon for all of your efforts in getting him home.

There will be a memorial mass celebrated at 10:00 A.M. on Friday, July 10, 2015 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Rev. Simon Natha officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 9:30 A.M. until service time on Friday at the church.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the St. Jude Children's Hospital in Memphis, TN.

It was Bernie's wish that rather than mourn his death with a traditional church dinner, that everyone celebrate his life following the mass at his home on the Ohio River. Everyone is welcome and casual attire should be worn in honor of Bernie. There will be a light lunch provided.

Condolences may be made online at www.pierrefuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 10. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
2701 W. Franklin Street
Evansville, IN

funeral

JUL 10 (CT)

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2701 W. Franklin Street
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Tribute Wall



“ *Bernie E. Drone*

January 16, 2023 at 06:53 PM



“ *Angie & Family,*

We were sorry to hear of your father's passing. I never really knew your dad, but have heard so many wonderful things about him. Sending prayers to all.

*Our Deepest Sympathy,
Phil & Becky*

Becky Doshier - July 10, 2015 at 07:42 AM



“ *Dear Margaret and Family,*

*I am so sorry to hear of Bernie's passing. Even though I hadn't seen him in awhile I'll never forget all the kindness Bernie and your family showed me in the past.
God bless all of you.*

Dirk Pruden

Dirk Pruden - July 09, 2015 at 06:30 PM



“ *May the love and support of family and friends carry you during this difficult time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.
Heartfelt sympathy and aloha, Chuck and Diana Petranek*

Diana Petranek - July 09, 2015 at 12:15 PM

GL

“ I knew Bernie but not like most of you but I did know him through his loving friends and family. I know he was a wonderful person in all aspects of the word. I know his best buddy Dan and Dosey== his great wife Margaret,--and beautiful daughter Angie --whom took care of my Andrew-- What a great person who created a truly wonderful family-- I pray for all of you to find comfort and peace as I know this is a very hard loss==my thoughts are he is in Heaven looking down at all of you hoping you smile-cry-laugh- and think of all the great memories he has given all of you. the big memory I have is 4-wheeling past his little hunting trailer at the farm==I do know that .--he loved his family first--best friends next--the river, wilderness and hunting. I am so sorry for your loss he was a very terrific man!!! love to you all--Gretchen Lehman

Gretchen Lehman - July 08, 2015 at 05:16 PM

LO

“ Kristy and family, so sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Lisa and Ken Owens

Lisa Owens - July 08, 2015 at 04:59 PM

LM

“ Our heartfelt sympathies to Bernie's family and friends. He was a kind and gentle man and our hope is that fond memories of him will bring you comfort. Keeping you all in our prayers. With our love, Lori and Jerry Mayse

Lori n Jerry Mayse - July 08, 2015 at 02:44 PM

LH

“ *Our sincerest sympathy to the family of Bernie especially to his sister Jackie and brother -in-law Jim. May they cherish fond and happy memories of Bernie. May Bernie now have eternal comfort in the presence of our Lord and Savior.*

Linda and Bob Huebschman - July 08, 2015 at 08:30 AM