



Bernard Berwick Biniker

December 28, 1922 - February 7, 2017

Bernard B. Biniker

Bernard Berwick Biniker, 94, passed away on February 7, 2017.

Bernie was born on December 28, 1922 in Toledo to Basil and Bertha (Emch) Biniker. Bernie was a devoted husband to his wife Alice (McCarthy) of 67 years and proud father to Dr. Barry (Holley) Biniker, Deb Baymiller, and Nick (Jane) Biniker. He was a beloved Poppa to his eight grandchildren, their spouses, and his seven great-grandchildren. Bernie, affectionately called “Wick” by many, attended Libbey High School and was drafted in 1942 when he was 20 years old. After nine months of basic training, he spent 27 months overseas in World War II, serving as a Staff Sergeant in the Pacific Islands; Manila, Philippines; and Tokyo, Japan. Even in the hardest of times, his witty, devilish personality was always apparent – as many years later he still retold the story of driving a weapons carrier full of guys to a dance in Manila and getting pulled over for driving on the wrong side of the street.

Returning home from war in January 1946, he returned to work at Toledo Edison and began a 67 year love story with Alice. They were married in 1950, and Bernie then began his career as a talented finish carpenter at the family business, Biniker Construction. Bernie was a man of simple pleasures – he always had a smile on his face. He saw the good in others and was not quick to judge. His family always came first, and he never passed up the chance to share a manhattan with a friend. It was never unusual for his “Silver Bullet” conversion van to pull in the driveway to cut his kids’ grass, cleanup leaves, help with a home project, or pick up his boys for a round of golf with lawn chairs in the back. His humor, his spirit, and his example will live on for many years, as we fondly toast his memory with a Crown Royal.

Bernie is preceded in death by his brother Basil Jr.; sister Beatrice Denman, and her twin sister Bertina, who died at birth.

The family will receive guests from 1-5 p.m. on Sunday, February 12th at Coyle Funeral Home, 1770 S. Reynolds Road. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. on Monday, February 13th in the funeral home with Fr. Robert Reinhart officiating. Interment will follow in Calvary Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Hospice of Northwest

Ohio, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, or to the charity of your choice.

Please view and sign the guest registry at www.coylefuneralhome.com

Cemetery

Calvary Cemetery

2224 Dorr St.

Toledo, OH, 43607

Events

FEB **Visitation** 01:00PM - 05:00PM

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Coyle Funeral Home

1770 S. Reynolds Road, Toledo, OH, US, 43614

FEB **Funeral** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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Comments



“ Nick & family - I am so sorry to read of your Dad's passing. You look just like him. May the memories you have stay forever in your hearts & help you through the difficult days ahead. Though his voice is silent, his spirit lives on. Dee & Ray Your

Dee Your - February 12, 2017 at 07:13 PM



“ Barry. Holley and family..... I just saw the obituary. I am heart sad on the loss of the patriarch of your family. Sending you all loving hugs.. Leroy and Brenda Gibson

Brenda gibson - February 12, 2017 at 01:24 PM



“ My memories come from long ago. My father Joe WOLNIEWICZ, worked in the construction business from the start after the war. Joe was 91 when he passed, away in Aug 2005. He was basically part of the Biniker family and respected "old man Biniker" very much. Bernie's brother , Basil was my dad's best man when he married. ...and Bea was a good friend to both my parents. My father had so much respect for Bernie, the person, values and work he did. I remember many times at the dinner table some remark made about Bernie this or that....n they were never bad. I'm sure they are having a good reunion up in Heaven..... God Bless Bernie's whole family, at this difficult time.
I pray all of the generations to follow...in our world ...could have these two men's dedication to God, Family, the best and most honorable use of their talents for the betterment of our world.♡

Patricia Wolniewicz Kovar - February 11, 2017 at 12:19 PM



“ Barry, Holley, Nick, Jane and Debbie,
So sorry to hear of uncle Bernie's passing. He was a character that will definitely be missed! Even though I am not able to be there I will keep you all in my thoughts and prayers.
Donna

Donna DeBoe-Henniger - February 11, 2017 at 05:34 AM