



John Joseph Cark

August 20, 1927 - July 15, 2010

John Joseph Cark (aka Jack and Charlie), age 82, passed away peacefully at the University of Toledo Medical Center on Thursday, July 15, 2010.

John, the son of Clarence J. and Kathryn M. (Schmitt), was born on August 20, 1927, in Toledo. He attended St. Charles Elementary School and graduated from Central Catholic High School. After graduation, he sailed for four seasons on the Great Lakes steamships. He subsequently earned his Stationary Engineer's license, working at various Toledo companies.

While working, John volunteered at St. Jude and St. Patrick of Heatherdowns Churches, and was the transportation coordinator at St. Johns Jesuit High School.

John retired from the City of Toledo, Water Reclamation Department in 1989. During his retirement, he took great pride in his volunteer activities at UTMC and Our Lady of Perpetual Help School, where, for over 20 years he greeted the students as they arrived for school, and was fondly known as "Charlie".

He was a long time member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church.

John married Rita Roth on August 25, 1951, at St. Agnes Church. He is survived by his loving wife Rita, sons Thomas (Karen) of Osseo, MI and John

(Lynn timer) of Toledo; and daughter Regina (Greg) Bennett of Highlands Ranch, CO. Among the greatest joys in his life were his grandsons, Kevin (Sara) Cark of Jonesville, MI; Steven Cark of Adrian, MI; and Matthew and Eric Cark of Toledo. To his family he left the greatest legacies of love, faith and commitment.

Friends may visit at the Coyle Funeral Home, 1770 S Reynolds Rd on Sunday July 18th from 2-8 p.m. where a Scripture Service will be held at 7:00 p.m. Funeral services will begin in the mortuary on Monday July 19th at 9:30 a.m. followed by the mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church. Interment will follow in Resurrection Cemetery.

Those wishing to make memorial contributions are asked to consider either Our Lady of Perpetual Help School or the Ursuline Sisters of Toledo.

Tribute Wall



“ We were sorry to hear about your father's passing. We each lost a parent ourselves this past year and we know how difficult it is. We hope that your happy memories and family love carry you through these very emotional times.##imported-begin##Jim and Dona Maxfield jmax300@chartermi.net##imported-end##

July 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Rita. I'm sadden to learn of Jack's passing. Mefty thought the world of both of you and I never would have been able to do all those baby labels myself for CMN. You both are good examples of community caring people and this community is indeed a better place because of you both. Take care Rita.##imported-begin##Sharon Jazwiecki##imported-end##

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“ i will never forget all the great stories that were told to me by jon, of his kids and their families, and his past and his accomplishments, and how happy he was to be our neighbor and have us in his lives, he has no idea how happy and how much of a great amazing person he was in mine! Rita, i love you and jon will never be forgotten, whenever you see me or aaron around and need anything dont hesitate to ask, we love you and are keeping you in our prayers.##imported-begin##Jillian and Aaron Baker##imported-end##

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“ We are so sorry for your loss and wish we could be there. We will miss my Godfather and favorite uncle. He is certainly in a better place. God Bless.##imported-begin##Mike and Kerri Cark##imported-end##

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“ Dear Rita: I am sending you my love and deepest sympathy on the passing of your dear husband -- He was blessed with a loving wife and three children of whom I'm sure he was very proud. You will have a heart full of memories of your life together that will comfort you as you go forward.
Love,
Martha Doughtie##imported-begin##Martha Doughtie (Colorado)##imported-end##

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“ Dear Rita, Tom, Gina, John & Families: I just finished reading all the condolences. I can hardly write this through the tears. So many memories have been coming back to me. The times we had together were the best of times. The times with all of us at the lake with Aunt Ivy. The conversations, the discussions, swimming and the food. All the times all of you supported our family. When we lost my mother and father and Aaron. The times I came to visit you and we stayed up to midnight just talking. We never had a better friend than Jack and all of you. I will never forget his great big hugs. Take care of yourselves all of you. Remember we will all meet again someday in heaven. Where I hope we can have good times together again. Love, Ann Marie##imported-begin##Ann Marie Newton anewton9222@sbcglobal.net##imported-end##

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“ Rita, Tom & Family

*I am sad to hear about John's passing. He is a great guy and I know he was a hit with the OL kids. My stepson, Steven, loved "Charlie" and talked about him long after he moved on to high school & college. My prayers are with you. Rita, I will talk to you the next time I am in town.##imported-begin##Ken Kerscher
kdkerscher@bex.net##imported-end##*

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“ We will fondly remember the time spent "leaning over the fence" and chatting about our children, our life's journeys that brought us together as neighbors, and those dratted moles! Rita, please never hesitate to call on us if there is something we can do to make this difficult time any easier!##imported-begin##Paul and Linda Werts##imported-end##

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“ Dear Rita,

*Who could ever forget Jack's smile? I will always remember how happy and friendly he was. He touched so many lives and has left such a beautiful legacy for his family. I'm sure St. Joseph interceded for him in the end. I'll say a special prayer for you and your family.
Pam (Lang) Buehrer##imported-begin##Pam Buehrer pbuehrer@buckeye-express.com##imported-end##*

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“ John and Lynn sorry to hear about this. I remember 30 years ago every week it was Ice Cream at Cark's. Mr Cark loved children more than anything especially the ones who lived on Colleen Court. He was such a family man prayers for you and your family.##imported-begin##Kristy Condon kristy_condon@yahoo.com##imported-end##

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“ Condolences to your family, may god and his new angel watch over and continue to strengthen your family. My prayers are with you all.##imported-begin##Val##imported-end##

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“ Thoughts and Prayers go out to the whole family...##imported-begin##The Shrivens MBSII@bex.net##imported-end##

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“ Aunt Rita,
You and all your family are in my thoughts and prayers. May the 23rd Psalm bring you comfort.##imported-begin##Beverly##imported-end##

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“ We are deeply saddened by Mr. Cark's death. We send our condolences to the Cark family.##imported-begin##Matt##imported-end##

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“ God our Father,
Your power brings us to birth,
Your providence guides our lives,
and by Your command we return to dust.

*Rest in eternal pease Uncle Jack!##imported-
begin##Kelly##imported-end##*

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“ Jeannie,
We are sorry for your loss. May you and your family gather the
strength to get you all through this time of sorrow.
Hal & Deb##imported-begin##Hal & Deb Johns##imported-end##

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“ Words cannot express the sorrow I feel for your loss. "Charlie" was
a great man who cared for many. My thoughts and prayers go out to
your entire family!
With much love and sorrow,
Nanette Wilson##imported-begin##Nanette Wilson nanettelee66@g
mail.com##imported-end##

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“ We'll miss the morning greeting!##imported-begin##Tonda and Mike
Koszycki##imported-end##

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“ John and Lynn we are so sorry to hear of your dad's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time. Love you guys.##imported-begin##Molly and Bill Brown##imported-end##

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“ More than a neighbor, but a real friend. Jack will be missed by all the people he touched. Here was a guy that would do anything to help his fellow man. Hardly a day went by that he more than helped us out, and we shared a lot of good times together. We'll miss our talks in the backyards during evenings when all was quiet, and hope that Rita will be strong through these times of her loss. Jack is finally at rest, and bless him.##imported-begin##Robert & Lois Mitro lobo109@sbcglobal.net##imported-end##

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