



Bernard Stammis

April 11, 1936 - August 29, 2022

Bernard A. Stammis, 86, of Crown Point, passed away peacefully at his home on August 29, 2022. He was preceded in death by parents John and Christina (nee Recker); by sister Geraldine (Sjoerdsma); and by brothers Martin, John, Arnold and Cornelius "George".

Bernie is survived by his wife of 55 years, Betty (nee Pater); by sister Janet (O'Connell); by brothers Tom and Bill; by his children John, Brent and Mary Beth; by 10 grandchildren, and 2 great-grandchildren.

Born in 1936, Bernie grew up on a farm in Griffith, and saw many changes during his 80+ years living in Northwest Indiana. One of his memories included walking the family's horses from a field in Highland back to Griffith along 45th Street after a day of working in the fields. He graduated from Griffith High School and continued through different jobs until he settled into his postal career spanning 30 years. During that time, he delivered thousands of letters, often taking a few minutes to chit chat with those on his route who looked forward to his reliable delivery. Bernie was deeply embedded in the small town he spent most of his life in, and he always greeted everyone with a genuine smile. He ended his career at the US Postal Service in 1996, retiring after 30 years.

Some of the fondest memories throughout Bernie's life involved visiting the various Indiana State Parks with his family in tow. Hours were spent hiking, swimming, and exploring the outdoors together.

Bernie loved seeing his family, selling antiques, and growing tomatoes in the church garden right through this last season of his life. He also loved to talk about cars, and his attention to weather forecasts was particularly exceptional.

The love and attention that Bernie and Betty showed to each other, especially as they aged, was an inspiration and example to all those who knew them. He is now home with Jesus.

A funeral service will be held on Saturday, September 3, 2022 at 12 PM at Memory Lane Funeral Home, 6305 W Lincoln Highway, Crown Point, IN. Friends may visit with the family from 10:00 AM at the funeral home until the time of service at 12 PM.

Cemetery Details

Memory Lane Memorial Park

6305 W. Lincoln Highway (US 30)
Crown Point, IN 46307
(219) 322-2050
info.memorylanepark@gmail.com
<https://memorylanepark.com/>

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 3. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Service

SEP 3. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

RK

“ *Bernie was my shop foreman back in High School great friend.*

Roger & Carol Komendat - August 14, 2023 at 05:47 PM

JO

“ *1 file added to the album family photos*



John - September 30, 2022 at 03:43 PM

AP

“ *Dear Betty, so sorry to hear about your loss and his gain, as he went to be with Jesus. We are in Asia and due to Covid rules, the earliest we could get back was after the funeral. Bernie was always kind and gracious to us as we visited your home. Our deepest sympathies, we will be praying for you and your family, Joy and Adrian.*

Adrian Pater - September 03, 2022 at 04:36 AM

JS

Thanks Adrian for the condolences. The funeral was very well attended and Betty is currently staying at our house. The plant you sent looks beautiful and is in Betty's bedroom. Thanks again and safe travels!
- John

John Stammis - September 21, 2022 at 07:53 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Bernard Stammis.*



September 02, 2022 at 03:50 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Bernard Stammis.*



September 01, 2022 at 10:25 PM

JA

“ *My mom, Tante Hillie, told me that Bernie was a very quite person. Once he felt comfortable with you he would talk to you. I have very found memories of Bernie, drinking tea with honey and talking about his day delivering the mail and I talking about school. This all before John, Brent, Mary-Beth and Betty would come back from school. Those moments I will cherish. Thanks Bernie for teaching me drink tea without sugar but with honey. I know that you are with Him.*

Joni Appe - September 01, 2022 at 01:22 PM

JS

Thank Joni for sharing this! Our family always remembers your stay at our home with fond memories.

John Stammis - September 21, 2022 at 07:54 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Bernard Stammis.*



September 01, 2022 at 10:11 AM