



Dick Bernard

September 30, 2017

Richard C. Bernard “Dick”, died peacefully Saturday, September 30, 2017, at his home in West Hartford, surrounded by his beloved and devoted family. For 58 years, he was the husband of the love of his life, the late Glenna Slattery Bernard. Born in West Hartford, Dick was the son of the late Clifford Bernard and Marie Landry Bernard. He is survived by his daughter Marie Bernard Miszewski and her husband Mitchell of Danbury; two grandchildren, Craig Miszewski of Woodlawn, CA, Erika Miszewski Clemente and her husband Nick; great grandson Charles Bernard Clemente of Rhinebeck, NY; son Richard S. Bernard and his wife Erika Compton of West Hartford; his daughter-in-law Tracy; two grandchildren, Ian and Brianna of Bloomfield; and his sister-in-law Marjorie Green Bernard of Franklin, MA. He was predeceased by two sons, Thomas Richard Bernard, Michael David Bernard; and his brother Charles Bernard. He retired on February 1, 1992 after 31 years of service with The Hartford Insurance Group. He was a Red Sox baseball fan, and enjoyed rooting for the UCONN Women’s basketball team. His family and friends will deeply miss his gentle, playful, and loving ways. He had a seemingly infinite capacity to reach out and lend a hand, and his manner was always gracious and kind. Dick was a true gentleman. He was a loving and devoted husband, a beloved and respected father, grandfather, great grandfather, and a true friend to many. Your gifts of decency, honesty, and wisdom will live on in those who survive you, Dad. May you be at peace and reunited with your dear Glenna. A short note left by Dick expressing his love for Glenna: “On Eagles Wings” “The finest thing I’ve ever done is simply loving you for all these years.” Calling hours will be Wednesday, October 4th from 4-7 p.m. at the Molloy Funeral Home, 906 Farmington Ave., West Hartford. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Thursday, October 5th at 10:00 a.m. at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 872 Farmington Ave., West Hartford. Burial will follow in Fairview Cemetery, West Hartford. In lieu of flowers, his family asks that donations be made to the Bernard Family Trust for his grandchildren’s education fund. Checks may be payable to: Bernard Family Trust, C/O Matson Financial Advisors, 4 Mountainview Terrace, Danbury, CT 06810. Online expressions of sympathy may be made at www.molloyfuneralhome.com

Cemetery

Events

Fairview Cemetery

200 Whitman Ave.
West Hartford, CT,

OCT 4 **Calling Hours** 04:00PM - 07:00PM

Molloy Funeral Home
906 Farmington Avenue, West Hartford, CT, US, 06119

OCT 5 **Mass of Christian Burial** 10:00AM

St. Thomas the Apostle Church
872 Farmington Ave., West Hartford, CT, US, 06119

Comments



“ So sorry for your loss, is a simple thing to say but I hope you all accept how meaningful it is said. Dick and Joe knew one another through Soccer and the Hartford. Dick was a delightful; gentleman, and friend. Peace be with you Lyn Miller

Lyn Miller - October 22, 2017 at 10:48 PM



“ Dear Dick,

Super Heroes don't always wear capes. Sometimes, they are most comfortable in khakis and white T-shirts.

Super Heroes don't drive Corvette's. They drive Ford wagons with wood paneling on the sides, and have no regrets.

Super Heroes volunteer for EVERYTHING that needs doing without thinking twice, because it's the right thing to do.

Super Heroes believe in their kids. They spend more time driving to and from their practices, games, and events than they spend on themselves. They also have the courage, confidence, and trust to allow them to use family car for the day to drive their friends to the beach, when other parents said "no".

Super Heroes don't hesitate to speak their minds to other people's kids when they need a kick in pants, because it's the right thing to do.

Super Heroes get wiser as they get older. They mellow, and move past the struggles of youth. Yet, it was difficult times that made them stronger and better.

Super Heroes focus on the joy of "what is"—and strive to instill that in us. Every day is a gift.

You may not have known it, but you were a Super Hero. You didn't proclaim your values, you led by example, and set the bar for positive parenting. You made a difference.

Rest in Peace.

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Brian Gorman - October 03, 2017 at 11:19 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Dick Bernard.



October 03, 2017 at 02:42 PM



“ So sorry to hear the sad news. Attached is one of our favorite pictures of Dick and Charlie at the beach. Thoughts and prayers to all of you. Love Marge and Dave



David Bernard - October 03, 2017 at 02:36 PM