



Norman Joseph Bondy

October 15, 1920 - July 20, 2013

Norman J. Bondy, age 92, a resident of Royal Oak, formerly of Birmingham and Highland Park, passed away July 20, 2013. He was born October 15, 1920 in Anderdon Township, Ontario, Canada to the late Mark and Stella Bondy. Mr. Bondy served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He retired from American Standard in 1982. He was a member of the Teamsters Union and St. Benedicts Alumni Association of Highland Park. He was a golf enthusiast and loved to tinker, "Mr. Fix It - Handyman Extraordinaire." Beloved husband of the late Mary Jean Entwistle Bondy, loving father of Patricia Eugene Hawthorne of Las Vegas, NV and Anne Bondy of Berkley. Dear brother of Rosemary Champion of Janesville, WI, Kenneth Bondy of Beverly Hills, the late Robert, Mark and Bernard Bondy. The visitation will be Friday 3-8 p.m. with a 7 p.m. scripture service at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W Eleven Mile Road 4 blocks E of Woodward, Royal Oak. Mr. Bondy will lie in state Saturday 9:30 a.m. until the time of Mass 10 at a.m. at Holy Name Catholic Church in Birmingham, with Msgr. John Zenz officiating. Private burial at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to either the American Heart/Stroke Association or EWTN. Share your memories at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com.

Tribute Wall

VM

“ I have so many memories of my Uncle Norm because we grew up down the street. He gave out full size boxes of Cracker Jack at Halloween which impressed the local kids. He brought Christmas gifts to us when we were young. I think just hearing the word "politically correct" would put him over the edge. He put up a really nice train set but that gave way to a poker table in center of dining room. Family legend has it that he was called away from a poker game at Izzy's Butcher Shop to drive my Mom to the hospital for my delivery & grumbled all the way. I heard many "Normisms" from Ed & Noreen Ford. Norm shared their dinning table on a regular basis. Since my sister & I cleaned his house for awhile I can attest to the fact that I never saw any indication that a meal was prepared in his kitchen. One time he asked me to do a project for him. His work wanted him to put a large box of papers in order. It appeared Norm got the parts needed & got the job done. Since he retired in 1982 they must have come up with an accounting system agreeable to Norm. My Mom, Rosemary counted on Norm for many things when we all lived on Candler St. He always seemed to be needed to fix something at our house. Our job to help was to stay out of his way. I missed seeing him after he moved but I know he went onto the happiest phase of his life. He was a good man.

Vickie Murphy - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Norm was a family friend and the guy to turn to when you needed home repairs. I wanted a new faucet and Norm insisted that he install faucets he purchased at a garage sale. They were made better than the new faucets on the market. Every time I turn on the hot or cold water I think of Norm. He was one of a kind. He brought a lot of joy to many. Kathleen O'Neill

Kathleen O'Neill - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ At Christmas time, Norm would come to our house with a gift box of candy and nuts. It wasn't just the candy that delighted us kids, it was his cheerful and forthright manner....his just being Norm that was always so wonderful. He also made a wicked whiskey sour that he would mix up at home and bring to family gatherings.....he would say our ice wasn't chipped up enough!

Terry Ford-Holcomb - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Charlie Ford Norm would make a trip to my Royal Oak home every Saturday morning around 10 AM and Knock Hard on my side door. I would come to the door and find that he was not there. I would come outside to find Norm already in the back yard checking to see what kind of heating and cooling junk I had. With his loud voice he would say; What the heck are you saving all this junk for! I would say, but Norm this is really cool old stuff, he would start to laugh and say it junk get rid of it! Norm would then say, well I got go I was just checking in on you. It was always a short visit but it always made me smile and feel Norm and I were connected because we were handy men together. Norm was the kind of guy that loved doing something handy for you, it's how he got to know you, it's how he let you know that he loved you. God bless you Norm

Charlie Ford - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Norm is such an individual and such a character. I loved that he was forthright and funny and always had something to say. Many of his "Normism's" will live on forever, as will the memories that we all shared. He makes me smile even now as I think of all the great conversations we had, usually about the war. He really took care of Annie and Trisha and now he can be with Maryjean again. All my love to the family. Thanks to Norm for just being himself. Love and Peace, Jane, Family Friend

Jane Marcinkowski - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM