

Richard J. Bilkie

November 9, 1935 - August 5, 2016

Bilkie, Richard J. Age 80. August 5, 2016.

Beloved husband of 56 years to Gail. Loving father of Karen (Ilya) Hardey, Robert (Deondre) Bilkie and Laurie (Ilya) Snyder. Proud grandfather of Samuel, Madelyn, Isaac and Amelie. Brother of the late Edward (Judy, surviving) and Lawrence (Mary, surviving). He was predeceased by his parents, Anna and Edward. Mr. Bilkie retired in 1995, after 25 years of service at Blue Cross/Blue Shield. He served in the US Army. Mr. Bilkie earned his Bachelor's degree at Michigan State University. An avid sports fan, he favored the Michigan State Spartans and the Cleveland Indians. A quiet, gentle man, he loved spending time with his family and enjoyed listening to jazz music. Visitation Wednesday 2-8 pm at the Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Home, 705 W. 11 Mile Rd. (4 blocks E. of Woodward), Royal Oak. Funeral Thursday, in-state 9:30 am until time of Mass, 10 am at National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica, Royal Oak. Memorial contributions to Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 75817, Topeka, KS 66675 are appreciated.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **10**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak
705 W. Eleven Mile Road
Royal Oak, MI 48067
(248) 541-7000
royal@sullivanfh.com
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>

Funeral Mass

AUG **11**. 10:00 AM (ET)

National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica
2100 W. 12 Mile Road
Royal Oak, MI 48073

Committal Service

JUN **21**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Great Lakes National Cemetery
4200 Belford Road
Holly, MI 48442

Tribute Wall



“ So sorry for your loss. May he now be at peace. Thoughts and prayers are with you Mrs. Bilkie and to all of your family. Kary Pasanen (McGory)

Kary Pasanen - August 13, 2016 at 01:39 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Richard J. Bilkie.



August 11, 2016 at 10:52 AM



“ Dear Gail, Karen and Laurie,
So very, very sorry for your loss. Such a dear man. He will be greatly missed.
With love from the Guarino family

Trish Guarino - August 09, 2016 at 07:32 PM



“ Love from The Jablonski and Capone Families purchased the Garden of Serenity Bouquet for the family of Richard J. Bilkie.



Love from The Jablonski and Capone Families - August 09, 2016 at 02:53 PM

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“ Love, Rick & Lori Bilkie purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Richard J. Bilkie.



Love, Rick & Lori Bilkie - August 09, 2016 at 09:01 AM



“ Heart's Companion Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard J. Bilkie.



August 08, 2016 at 07:40 PM

TJ

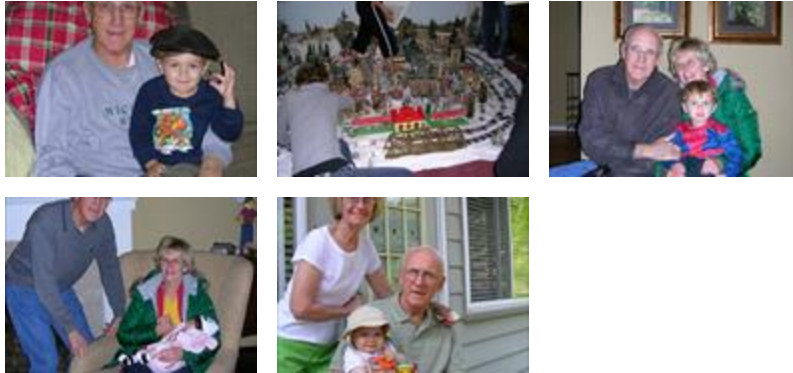
“ The Specks: Bob, Therese, Cathy, Jeff, and John purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Richard J. Bilkie.



The Specks: Bob, Therese, Cathy, Jeff, and John - August 08, 2016 at 05:34 PM

LB

“ 12 files added to the tribute wall



Laurie Bilkie-Snyder - August 08, 2016 at 07:49 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Richard J. Bilkie.



August 07, 2016 at 11:45 PM

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“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Karen - August 07, 2016 at 01:21 PM

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“ 13 files added to the tribute wall



Karen - August 07, 2016 at 01:19 PM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Karen - August 07, 2016 at 01:04 PM

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Karen - August 07, 2016 at 12:59 PM