



Adolf B. Witzke Jr

November 20, 1942 - February 3, 2017

Adolf B. Witzke Jr, age 74, of Perry formerly of Mentor, died Friday February 3, 2017 at home. He was born November 20, 1942 in Cleveland.

Mr. Witzke was a retired draftsman for Mahar Machine in Wickliffe, prior to that he worked for National Acme and the former White Motor Company.

Adolf was a US Army veteran serving during the Vietnam War.

Survivors include his wife of 49 years Frances "Bonnie" Witzke; sons: David B. Witzke and Brian L. (Sunni) Witzke; grandchildren: Mikhaela Doverspike, Sirius and Honest Witzke; siblings: Carol (Edward) Herbst and Walter (Michelle) Witzke.

Preceding Adolf in death are his parents: Adolf and Elsa Witzke Sr.

Arrangements entrusted to Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060.

Offer condolences at www.brunners.com.

Tribute Wall

WI

“ *Bernie was a very quite and reserved man. But he did have a fun side we had a good marriage we complimented each other. I'm glad he found MPC Fest he really looked forward to going every year it's nice to hear he was so thought of.*

wife - February 10, 2017 at 01:01 AM

KI

“ *I will forever remember the first time I ever met Adolf; what a character. He always had a joke or two for me. His smile was contagious and he always made me laugh. His love for collecting MPC and joining in the fun at the Fest was great to see and acknowledge. He would share his war events with me; whether good or bad; some would make me laugh and some would make me cry. Thank you for being a part of my life; enriching it with your presence and personality. Condolences to the family my thoughts and prayers are with you during this time.*

*Kim Bartish
Bellevue, Ohio*

Kim - February 08, 2017 at 08:21 AM

WI

Thanks Kim he always loved getting your cards I'm glad he had a good time there

wife - February 08, 2017 at 07:56 PM

EB

“ *Adolf was always eager to share his latest collecting find. I hold dear, the memories of sharing many fest activities. His presence will be greatly missed.*

Ed Beaman - February 07, 2017 at 06:47 AM

BM

“ I met Adolf at the MPC Fest and I always enjoyed seeing him. I was glad to see he turned his son Brian into a fester. He will be missed at the fest this year

Bill Myers - February 07, 2017 at 04:29 AM

DF

“ Adolf was one of my favorite people at the Fest. As song leader, he would grumble about having to sing the military songs I had chosen, but when push came to shove, he always sang along with a smile on his face. I will miss his gentle spirit and kind words. He always took time for everyone, and loved to visit with all. He will be missed by many of the Festers.
Dan and Kathy Freeland

Dan and Kathy Freeland - February 06, 2017 at 09:27 PM

DF

“ When I attended my first Fest and didn't know many of the people attending Adolf could tell and came up to me to introduce himself and asked where I was from and what I collected. I always looked forward to talking to him and sharing a story or joke at each Fest. He was a very nice person and will be greatly missed by all.
Dave Frank

Dave Frank - February 06, 2017 at 08:41 PM

HI

“ I first met Adolph at an MPC Fest many, many years ago. He did not act like most of the other men there. He did not think like most of the other men there. I usually like men like him, especially when I was on active duty. Sometimes I needed men to work within an intelligence environment who looked at things from a different angle and he would have been one I would have picked to work on an area of intelligence which needed a fresh look. I would often sit next to him in the Fest meeting room because when a speaker went off the wrong way on a subject, he would start muttering something. I had a difficult time to not burst out laughing. He will definitely be missed by many Festers. I hope Adolph has found a place of his liking on the "other side." The Master Sergeant Daniel

Howard A. Daniel III - February 06, 2017 at 05:43 PM



“ Adolph was quiet and reserved but he always came up with a surprise when he attended the gathering of festers every year, he will not be forgotten by all.
Our thoughts and prayers to his family.
Bonnie and Harold Kroll

Harold Kroll - February 06, 2017 at 05:36 PM

FS

“ Adolf was a gentleman and friend. I know him exclusively from our shared experiences at MPCFest. This event is for collectors of military money of World War II to the present. As strange as it seems this is a healthy and fun group. Adolf has been a keen participant for at least ten years.

I am not sure how Adolf started collecting military money, but I know how he started coming to the Fest. Somehow he heard about the book that I had written on Military Payment Certificates. He called me out of the blue to buy a copy. We chatted, he ordered a copy, and we chatted some more. Then we chatted. It was only about three weeks before the forthcoming MPCFest so I told him about it. In a wry tone he asked what that would cost. In response to my answer he said, why that is less than a weekend of duck hunting. Count me in.

Not only has he been there every year since, but he has recruited new Festers including his son Brian whom we are now happy to call Fester.

When Adolf came to his first Fest, he was not a user of the internet. No ebay. No email. Nothing. By the second Fest he not only used email and ebay, but his email address was AdolfMPC@....

Every year at the Fest Adolf gave a short presentation on items that he had found in the preceding year. Additionally, he always had an envelope for me. It had things that he had found that he thought would be of particular interest to me. They were never great rarities or expensive items, but they were items that he clearly had obtained specifically for me. Sometimes they were outright gifts. Sometimes I reimbursed him, but they were always appreciated and will be even more so no.

Adolf was a gentleman. I especially liked Adolf's wry sense of humor. He will be missed. We will honor him at MPCFest 18 March 31 - April 2.

fred schwan - February 06, 2017 at 03:47 PM