



John Miklitsch

June 9, 1934 - January 9, 2020

John Miklitsch age 85 passed away peacefully Thursday January 9, 2020 at TriPoint Medical Center, Concord Twp., OH, surrounded by his loving family. He was born June 9, 1934 in Obergras, Yugoslavia.

Mr. Miklitsch retired as a welder in 1997 from E & W Services. Prior to that he worked at Bescast and the former W.S. Tyler for 23 years. He was very proud of his welding trade and was an expert welder.

John came to the U.S. in 1952 with his parents and settled in Cleveland, Ohio. He met Patricia at the Arthur Murray Dance Studio in Cleveland. They were married on September 10, 1960 at St. Ignatius Church in Cleveland and moved to Mentor, Ohio in 1962. Later, the family moved to Grand River Village, where they have resided for the past 46 years.

John's priority was his family, devoting his life to his wife and children. After a long day at work he could be seen at his children's' sporting events cheering loudly from the stands. His hobbies were ballroom dancing, bowling, hunting, playing the accordion, and car shows. He was an animal lover, owning many dogs over the years. His favorite breed was the German Shepherd.

After John retired, he enjoyed walking his beloved dog Charlie through Grand River Village and meeting his neighbors and their furry friends. He loved

listening to country music, and watching Bundesliga Soccer, and police shows on TV. A lifelong Cleveland Indians and Cleveland Browns fan, John would call out “sadness” when the game wasn’t going our way. He and his wife Patricia were one of the founding families of St. Bede the Venerable Church. John was a U.S. Army Veteran.

John will forever be cherished and remembered for his kindness, sense of humor, and love towards everyone he met.

Survivors include his wife of 59 years: Patricia A. (Pataki) Miklitsch, children: Richard A. (Sharon) Miklitsch, John C. (Lisa) Miklitsch and Elaine M. (Stephen) Sulzbach, grandchildren: Abbey (Dustin) Page, Zachary Miklitsch, Brandy Miklitsch, David (Erin) Beans, Sarah (Jon Dickson) Beans and Taylor Sulzbach, great-grandchildren: Rowan and Emery. John also leaves behind his dear nephew Ted Sianis and family.

Preceding John in death are his parents; John and Maria Miklitsch sister; Luise Sianis, and brother-in-law Ted Sianis.

The family will receive friends 10-11 am Monday January 20, 2020 in the Chapel at St. Bede the Venerable Church 9114 Lakeshore Blvd., Mentor, OH. 44060

A funeral mass will 11 am Monday January 20, 2020 at the church.

Private family Inurnment will be in Mentor Cemetery, Mentor, OH.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions to Lake Humane Society 7564-E Tyler Boulevard Mentor, Ohio 44060

Arrangements entrusted to the Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home &

Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060.

Offer condolences at www.brunners.com.

Cemetery Details

Mentor Cemetery

6881 Hopkins Rd.
Mentor, OH 44060
(440) 974-5733

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 20. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Bede The Venerable Catholic Church
9114 Lakeshore Blvd
Mentor, OH 44060
(440) 257-5544

Funeral Mass

JAN 20. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Miklitsch.* ”



January 19, 2020 at 02:28 PM



“ *Uncle John was a hero of mine, when I was young he shared stories of his life. I learned to be courageous and to be strong even as a young lad. I hold him in the highest regard and close to my heart.* ”

Dennis Blankshine - January 13, 2020 at 12:27 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John Miklitsch.* ”



January 12, 2020 at 08:36 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Miklitsch.* ”



January 12, 2020 at 05:57 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of John Miklitsch.



January 12, 2020 at 12:32 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes* was purchased for the family of John Miklitsch.



January 11, 2020 at 06:23 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet* was purchased for the family of John Miklitsch.



January 11, 2020 at 05:06 PM

David
Beans

“ Thank you for being a model Grandfather - always kind, caring and supportive. Nothing but positive and humorous memories over the past 35 years that will help guide our family into creating more of the same. Holidays and family gatherings will never be the same without your conversation and attempts and smiling for the camera. You will be missed, Pop.



David Beans - January 11, 2020 at 04:40 PM

DC

“ Dana and Rita Connolly purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of John Miklitsch.



Dana and Rita Connolly - January 11, 2020 at 03:04 PM

MM

“ He was truly a Grand River icon. I have always enjoyed his company and stories. The Village will definitely miss this treasured part of the community plus being an ideal citizen & a positive role model both as a husband and a father.

michael m - January 11, 2020 at 02:37 PM

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*My brother, Richard who passed on March 31.2019 and I were good friends of John during 7 years together in a refugee camp in Austria. We also came to the USA in 1952. Richard and John stayed in touch over all those years. We will miss John. He was a kind soul.
..RIP.Edwin Stalzer*

Edwin Stalzer - January 12, 2020 at 05:19 PM