



John J. "Butch" Stapleton

October 8, 1935 - May 14, 2016

John J. "Butch" Stapleton, 80, of Mentor, passed away peacefully Saturday May 14, 2016 at Metro Health Medical Center in Cleveland. He was born October 8, 1935 in Indiana, PA. He was the son of John J. and Nellie (nee Gillis) Stapleton. The oldest of two children, John attended Ernest Catholic School until 8th grade also serving as an altar boy until he was 17 years old. He graduated from Indiana High School and upon graduating he served in the U.S. Army in Oklahoma for 2 years.

John met his future wife, Nancy (nee Gordish), an Iselin, PA resident while working for Fisher Body, Coit Road Plant in Cleveland, OH. He would eventually retire from Fisher Body after 32 ½ years of employment. He married Nancy in 1962 on May 26th and they had three children together. John was a devoted father, husband and grandfather. He coached his children's softball teams and was an avid Pittsburgh Steelers, Pirates and Notre Dame fan. He attended St. Bede the Venerable Church since 1964 and played on the church's softball team. He was a devout catholic who lived a fulfilling and happy life and felt truly blessed. He will be greatly missed by his family and all who knew him.

Surviving John is his wife of 53 years, Nancy; daughters, Colleen Stapleton, Bridget (Rich) Bolden and Bernadette "Bernie" (Darko) Kralj; grandchildren, Michael Hale, Angela and Amanda Bolden and Anthony Kralj. He is also

survived by 15 nieces and nephews and his dogs Sammy and Kiki.

John was preceded in death by his parents, John Sr. and Nellie Stapleton and his sister Monica Golinsky.

Funeral mass will be held 10:30 a.m. Saturday May 21, 2016 at St. Bede the Venerable Church 9114 Lakeshore Blvd., Mentor, OH 44060 (Please meet at the church.)

The family will receive friends from 1-3 and 5-7 p.m. Friday at the Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060.

Interment will be in Mentor Cemetery, Mentor, OH.

Send flowers and offer condolences at www.brunners.com

Cemetery Details

Mentor Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 20. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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8466 Mentor Avenue
Mentor, OH 44060
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Visitation

MAY 20. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Mass

MAY **21**. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Bede The Venerable Catholic Church
9114 Lakeshore Blvd
Mentor, OH 44060
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Tribute Wall

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“ So sorry for your loss. Thoughts and prayers for the Stapleton family.

Gina Kaylor-Rowan

Gina Rowan - May 25, 2016 at 04:36 PM

 DiAnna
Robertson
Friend

“ So sorry for your loss, my sincere sympathy & prayers for the family.
DiAnna Robertson-Friend

DiAnna Robertson-Friend - May 25, 2016 at 08:13 AM

JL

“ Nancy, Please accept my sincere sympathy on Butch's passing. We were inseparable for many years and did everything together until we both had to go to the service. After that we kinda lost touch, but it still seems like yesterday that we were best buddies. I remember coming to your house in Iselin with Butch and so many other things we did in Ernest and Indiana together. He was definitely one of the good guys, and I'm so sorry to hear he has passed away. Sincerely, Jay Ling
<http://storage.lifetributes.com/Gifts/Dove.png>



Jay Ling - May 20, 2016 at 01:58 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of John J. "Butch" Stapleton.



May 18, 2016 at 06:40 PM



“ *Enduring Grace* was purchased for the family of John J. "Butch" Stapleton.



May 18, 2016 at 05:56 PM