



William E. Cmarik

May 2, 1956 - June 1, 2026

William E. Cmarik, 70, of Mentor, died June 1, 2026, at Hillcrest Hospital in Mayfield Heights, OH. He was born May 2, 1956, in Euclid.

Bill developed a strong work ethic from a young age, with his first job peeling potatoes at a restaurant. While some may find the job boring or tedious, he would make a game out of it and time himself to see how many potatoes he could peel at a given time. He worked hard, working his way up through a manufacturing company to become Vice President of Sales. He held various positions in manufacturing over the years with his last as a plant manager, making positive changes and gaining respect from the employees.

Bill's hobbies were golf and fishing on the pond in his backyard on the paddle boat. He especially enjoyed teaching his grandchildren how to fish and taking leisurely boat rides with Lori. Golf wasn't just a hobby, but a true passion of his. Bill enjoyed playing with friends and family and teaching his girls how to hit a ball at the driving range.

Bill enjoyed attending various sports and other events to see his grandchildren. He did the same thing with his own daughters when they were younger as he would cheer them on at basketball, softball and cheerleading competitions. Family was always at the top of his priority list, and he cherished memories and time spent on vacations with his family.

Another thing Bill enjoyed was spoiling his children and grandchildren on Christmas Eve. Watching everyone's faces light up brought him true joy. "This is what it's all about," is what he would say. As the grandchildren grew, a tradition began with the game of Left, Right, Center commencing each Christmas Eve. Laughter, having fun and cheering each other on is one of those life lessons and memories that will not be forgotten.

One of Bill's favorite things was to sit on the deck with Lori, enjoying their beautiful yard, talking with family and friends and watching the kids play. It was their very own sanctuary that brought them so much pride and joy.

Bill truly embraced life, finding joy in time spent with family, friends, and neighbors. As we gather to celebrate him, may we hold onto the stories, laughter, and memories that will continue to keep his spirit alive in all of us.

Survivors include his wife, Lori Grantham; daughters, Christina (Tim) Spisak, Stefanie (Brad) Lenzian, and Jamie (AJ) Smola; grandchildren, Capri, Owen, Sydney, William, Taylor, Robert, and Mckenzie; and his brothers, Daniel Cmarik and Raymond (Patricia) Cmarik.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Suzann Cmarik; and his brother, John Cmarik.

The family will receive friends from 3-7 p.m. Friday, June 12, 2026, at the Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060.

A funeral mass to honor William's life will be held 9:30 a.m. Saturday, June 13, 2026, at St. John Vianney Church, 7575 Bellflower Rd., Mentor, OH 44060 (please meet at the church).

Family eulogies will begin at 9:15 a.m. on Saturday at the church and will lead into the start of the funeral mass.

Inurnment will take place in Mentor Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions be made to support the fight against lung cancer through the American Cancer Society or to support youth learning about golf and life skills through firstteeecleveland.org.

Please offer condolences at www.brunners.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **12.** 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center
8466 Mentor Avenue
Mentor, OH 44060
(440) 255-3401
ajs@brunners.com
<https://www.brunners.com/>

Funeral Mass

JUN **13.** 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

St. John Vianney Catholic Church
7575 Bellflower Road
Mentor, OH 44060
(440) 255-0600

Inurnment

JUN **13.** 11:00 AM - 11:15 AM (ET)

Mentor Cemetery
6881 Hopkins Rd.
Mentor, OH 44060

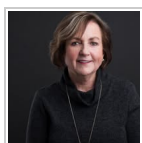
Tribute Wall



“ *Mathew and Vanessa Kaparic purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of William E. Cmarik.*



Mathew and Vanessa Kaparic - June 19 at 08:44 PM



“ *Dear Cmarik family,*

I was so saddened to hear of your Bill's passing. He was truly one of the good ones—a stand-up man whose kindness, character, and love for his family were evident to everyone who knew him.

The two of you shared a remarkable relationship, built on love, respect, and partnership. Together you raised wonderful daughters and created a beautiful family legacy that now lives on through your grandchildren. What a blessing it is that they will always carry a part of him with them.

I hope that in the days ahead, the many cherished memories you shared bring you comfort and peace. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

With deepest sympathy,

Sharon Zunkley

Sharon Foley-Zunkley - June 18 at 12:17 PM

JM

“ Lori, Bill was a wonderful man. I remember that I had flown in from South Dakota so that Joyce and I could attend your marriage to Bill. How happy you both were smiling and bubbly all day. You both looked so happy and we were so happy for you. Dan and I got to have more time with Bill at Brian’s barbecues and to know him better. We were so sorry to hear of his passing but as you know we will all meet again in Gods loving arms.

Judi, Dan, Kim & Amybeth Michael

Judi Michael - June 12 at 02:06 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of William E. Cmarik.

June 11 at 07:11 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of William E. Cmarik.



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“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of William E. Cmarik.



June 11 at 04:45 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of William E. Cmarik.

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“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of William E. Cmarik.



June 10 at 12:22 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of William E. Cmarik.



June 10 at 10:53 AM



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“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of William E. Cmarik.

June 09 at 10:04 AM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of William E. Cmarik.*



June 09 at 10:04 AM



“ *Love, Steve, Micheal, Dominic and Isabell Cmarik planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William E. Cmarik.*

Love, Steve, Micheal, Dominic and Isabell Cmarik - June 09 at 09:48 AM



“ *Love, Steve, Micheal, Dominic and Isabell Cmarik purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of William E. Cmarik.*



Love, Steve, Micheal, Dominic and Isabell Cmarik - June 09 at 09:48 AM



“ *Mary and Kathy Cmarik purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of William E. Cmarik.*



Mary and Kathy Cmarik - June 08 at 12:21 PM

MC

“ Mary and Kathy Cmarik planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William E. Cmarik.

Mary and Kathy Cmarik - June 08 at 12:21 PM

DA

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Davor - June 08 at 08:06 AM

DA

Rest in peace my friend! You were a great golf partner.

Davor - June 08 at 08:08 AM

LR

“ Love and Prayers, The Randaus purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of William E. Cmarik.



Love and Prayers, The Randaus - June 07 at 04:36 PM

LF

“ Love, the Bucurel and Link Families purchased the Fiery Lily and Rose for the family of William E. Cmarik.



Love, the Bucurel and Link Families - June 07 at 02:33 PM

BD

“ Bill will be missed by our whole family. Bill was my cousin-in-law and friend. We worked together at Enterprise Welding and Manufacturing for 18 years. I first pushed to get Bill hired as our Production Manager, he came on board and later became our Plant Manager. Bill was phenomenal manufacturing leader and helped guide our company to great success. Bill loved to golf so I managed to organize our company golf outing which Bill, myself, my son Chad and our IT Manager Bob Winter we able to claim a championship together. Bill was family and I will miss him dearly. Our prayers are with my sweet cousin Lori and their whole family.

Brian Dannemiller - June 07 at 01:07 PM

JB

R.I.P. Bill 🙏 Prayers to the Family. He was one of the great persons I had the privilege to work with.

Jeff Brichford - June 07 at 02:24 PM

JS

“ Christina, Please accept our deepest condolences. Your father was a remarkably kind gentleman who brought joy to everyone. Linda and I were truly honored to be a part of his family. Keeping you in our thoughts and prayers during this sad time. May he rest in eternal peace. Love, Jim and Linda

Jim Spisak - June 07 at 12:54 PM

JM

Lori
So very sorry for the loss of your husband. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May he rest in peace..
Jackie and Jim Meadon

Jackie Meadon - June 07 at 02:42 PM

KR

“ Heading to the convenience store with Bill (to fill his addiction to potato sticks!) when he was shocked to learn I had driven a car. I guess at the age of 14, he thought that was a crime! Lessons commenced. Just the first of many "big brother" lessons he taught me.

Thanks for SO many memories, Bill.

Love and deep resounding prayers to the entire family. We love you all so much and are grieving with you. Love, Uncle Ken, Aunt Kathy, Tim, Nick, Tricia and Maggie

Kathy Renfro - June 07 at 12:43 PM

KR

**never driven a car*

Kathy Renfro - June 07 at 12:45 PM

JG

“ Our condolences to Christina and Tim and the entire family. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Joyce and Rick Gravagna

joyce Gravagna - June 07 at 10:17 AM