



Bernard M. "Bernie" Fisher

August 4, 1920 - May 28, 2014

Bernard M. (Bernie) Fisher, age 93, of St. Petersburg, FL entered the heavenly kingdom on May 28, 2014. He was born August 4, 1920 in Indianapolis, IN to the late Gordon G. and Bessie Palmer Fisher. He attended Arsenal Tech High School. Bernie proudly served his country during WW II in the Pacific Islands in the U.S. Marine Corps 1st Marine Division. He was awarded the Purple Heart for combat wounds in Cape Gloucester, New Britain. After the war, Bernie returned home joined his father and brother, Delmar, in business at G.G. Fisher's Garage specializing in towing and auto body repair. He worked there for 38 years becoming General Manager and Sole Owner. Fisher's Garage became a Sponsor of the Indianapolis Police Motorcycle Drill Team resulting in a life-long affiliation. After selling his business, Bernie was a car salesman at Callahan Ford and Pearson Ford winning many sales awards. Bernie married Virginia Rigsby in 1947. They had two children. Bernie enjoyed sharing time with his family, especially on Sunday afternoon outings for dinner and "a ride". The family enjoyed going to Victory Field to see the Indianapolis Indiana play baseball, watching dance recitals and Little League baseball game, playing Euchre, and road trips to visit the grandparents and other family. In 1982, Bernie retired to St. Petersburg, Florida where he enjoyed being closer to his sister, Jeanne and her family, Euchre Clubs, and the warm Florida winters. He was a member of the St. Petersburg Shrine Club serving as both Vice-President and President. In recent years, Bernie resided at the Community Living Center (CLC) at Bay

Pines VA Medical Center. He was happy there living among other veterans with assistance from dedicated and caring staff. Bernie participated actively in many of the Recreation programs, including crafts, games, balloon volleyball, and his most favorite, BINGO. He is well known there for his handmade wooden clocks that he personalized for family and friends across the country. Bernie is a Life Member of Brookside Masonic Lodge #720, Murat Shrine, Scottish Rite, DAV, VFW, and Purple Heart. In 2005, he was named an Honorary Deputy chief of the Indianapolis Police Department. Bernie is survived by his daughter, Pamela (Michael) Carter, son Skip (Kristen) Fisher, sister, Jeanne Hamilton, three grandchildren, Brandon Kyle (Susan), Alyssa, and Ashley Fisher, and many nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by brothers, Gordon Jr., Delmar, and William, nephew Delmar Jr. and former wife, Virginia. Visitation will be Friday, June 6, 2014 from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service at 12 noon at Shirley Brothers Irving Hill Chapel, 5377 E. Washington St.

Cemetery Details

Memorial Park

9350 E Washington St.
Indianapolis, IN 46229

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 6. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Irving Hill Chapel
5377 E. Washington St.
Indianapolis, IN 46219
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Funeral Service

JUN 6. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I just found out my good friend Bernie, passed back in May. It Saddens me greatly that i missed his passing. I met Bernie in 1999 while working at Bay Pines and even though I moved to Arizona almost 4 years ago, we would correspond via mail and I would see him when I returned home. My returned letter that I mailed last week led me to search because i feared his great life had ended. He was such a great man, a gentle soul, and an American hero. I will miss him greatly and I know his family will. I am lucky and better off for knowing Bernie...and I will miss his calendars and pens. God bless you Bernie, we all were touched by your life and honored to know you. John S

john - December 07, 2014 at 10:22 PM

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“ Dear Pam & Michael,
We are sorry to hear about the passing of Pam's dad Bernie. Sorry also we could not come to Indiana for the service. Fortunately he had a good long life.
This message comes from Any: Pamela, remember that when comes Jesus Christ,
He will say "Wake up now", and all those who believe in God will return to life. Until
then they only rest in peace.
Our condolences,

Any & Richard

ana - June 12, 2014 at 09:57 PM

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“ Ana & Richard Chzreska lit a candle in memory of Bernard M. "Bernie" Fisher



ana & richard chzreska - June 12, 2014 at 09:35 PM

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“ On behalf of the Société de Police - IPD Adam & Edward, condolences to Bernie Fisher's family and friends on his passing.

Extending deepest sympathy

For you in your loss. And hoping, too, That comfort and peace May come to you.

Eternal rest grant unto Bernard M. Fisher, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



S. I. Drake, Lt/IPD (Ret) - June 05, 2014 at 11:57 AM

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“ S. I. Drake, Lt/IPD (Ret) lit a candle in memory of Bernard M. "Bernie" Fisher



S. I. Drake, Lt/IPD (Ret) - June 05, 2014 at 11:56 AM



I have many happy memories of Bernie in my rookie days. It was so good to talk to someone who really liked the police and didn't give me a lot of grief for being female (unlike some of the officers I worked with). May he rest in peace.

Nancy Longworth - June 05, 2014 at 03:14 PM