



## Richard "Dick" W. Bacon Jr.

December 5, 1941 - July 14, 2022

80, of Fishers, passed away July 14, 2022. He was born December 5, 1941 in Indianapolis, Indiana to the late Richard Walter Bacon and Nellie Bateman Bacon.

Dick was a graduate of Howe High School and proudly served our country in the United States Navy. He married the love of his life, Karen Kay Fitch and enjoyed building a life and family together. He was always active in his children's sporting events and programs. Dick was an industrial electrician with International Harvester/Navistar for over 35 years, retiring in 2000. He was a member of the Indy Hiking Club and a past president of UAW Local 226. Dick enjoyed traveling and taking cruises, country line-dancing, collecting beer cans, hunting and enjoyed playing Texas Hold'em and played in the World Series of Poker in Las Vegas in 2019.

Visitation will be Tuesday, July 19, 2022 from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel, 9606 East Washington Street, Indianapolis. A service will be held Wednesday, July 20, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. at the chapel with visitation one hour prior.

Dick is survived by his loving wife of 59 years, Karen Bacon; children, Gary Bacon (Sandy), Pam Bacon, Rick Bacon (Jennifer) and Mark Bacon (Tara); grandchildren, Brittany Klooster, Cameron, Ally, Ava, Griffin, Sydney and Alaina Bacon; sisters, Carolyn Hetzler, Susan Hill (George) and Joyce Massey (Ken).

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Dick's honor to the

Wounded Warriors Project.

# Cemetery Details

## Washington Park East

10612 E. Washington St.  
Indianapolis, IN 46229

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 19. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel  
9606 E. Washington Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46229  
(317) 897-9606  
<https://shirleybrothers.com/>

## Visitation

JUL 20. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel  
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Indianapolis, IN 46229  
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## Funeral Service

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JUL 20. 2:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel  
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Indianapolis, IN 46229  
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# Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



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**Shirley Brothers Mortuaries & Crematory** - July 20, 2022 at 08:32 AM

LS

“ *Karen*  
*Leo and I are so sorry for your loss, please accept our condolences to you and your family.*

*Shipmate Leo and Kathy*



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**leo starnes** - July 19, 2022 at 05:13 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" W. Bacon Jr..*



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July 19, 2022 at 01:33 PM

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“ Karen and family,  
We were deeply saddened to hear of the passing of Dick. It was an honor and privilege to have served with Dick. He and I were a team in servicing the electrical aviation and ordinance systems aboard the USS Bennington. We raised many an eyebrow when the duo of "BACON and OYSTER" showed up to service whatever needed servicing on the ship. I have many fond memories of our times together. It was a pleasure for Carol and I meet you Karen and may the many loving memories of your long life with Dick carry you and your family forward at this time of sorrow. Russ and Carol Oyster ,  
Eagle River, Alaska

Russell L Oyster - July 19, 2022 at 01:30 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" W. Bacon Jr..



July 18, 2022 at 03:41 PM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" W. Bacon Jr..



July 18, 2022 at 03:07 PM

RS

“ Rick Shipley purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Richard "Dick" W. Bacon Jr..



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**Rick Shipley** - July 18, 2022 at 12:46 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" W. Bacon Jr..



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July 18, 2022 at 09:14 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" W. Bacon Jr..



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July 18, 2022 at 08:31 AM

JP

“ To Karen and the Bacon Family,

*On behalf of the members of the USS BENNINGTON P.A.C.T. please accept our condolences on the passing of your loved one. May the many memories of the past carry you through the difficult days ahead. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the entire family. We “thank you” for Dick’s service to God & Country. Please know that Dick shall be recognized at our annual Memorial Wreath Laying Ceremony in Bennington, VT, this coming August. His name shall be read from a listing of “Those Who Have Gone Before Us” and the actual Ships Bell shall be tolled in his memory.*



*With My Deepest Sympathy,  
Joseph L. Pires  
USS Bennington Historian  
Calabash, NC*

*“Rest in Peace Shipmate, As We Have the Watch”*

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**Joseph Pires** - July 17, 2022 at 11:12 PM

RH

“ To Karen and the Bacon family:

*Please accept my sincere condolences in your loss of Dick. I am sad to learn of his passing.*

*Dick and I served on the USS Bennington, CVS-20, together in 1962-1963. We also met at many of the annual Bennington reunions. He was a fine man and a good shipmate.*

*You are all in my prayers and may Dick Rest in Peace.*

*Shipmate Bob Hadley, Cary, NC*

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**Robert L. Hadley** - July 17, 2022 at 07:56 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" W. Bacon Jr..*



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July 17, 2022 at 04:12 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" W. Bacon Jr..*



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July 17, 2022 at 04:03 PM



“ *Dick and I were on opposites sides of the fence but I always respected Dick. He was, in my opinion a straight shooter. He was always friendly and I enjoyed talking with him on family matters. Rest in peace my friend you will be missed by many. Fred Gray*

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**Fred Gray** - July 16, 2022 at 02:26 PM



“ *Sad to hear of Dick's passing. My deepest sympathy to the Bacon Family.*

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**Steve Willett** - July 16, 2022 at 04:21 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" W. Bacon Jr..



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July 15, 2022 at 10:44 AM