



John Mark Bicknell

December 1, 1933 - October 11, 2015

John M. Bicknell, age 81, of Clare, passed away unexpectedly at his home on Sunday, October 11, 2015. John was born the son of Mark H. and Audrey I. (Morgan) Bicknell in Clare, Michigan on December 1, 1933. He was united in marriage to Jane U. Cotton on October 17, 1962 in Las Vegas, Nevada. She preceded him in death on July 29, 1997. John was a lifetime resident and business person of Clare. John worked at the Citizens State Bank of Clare for many years until he and his wife Jane became owner operators of Allen's Department Store. He was a proud veteran of the US Army, a member of the Clare Congregational United Church of Christ, a 50 year member of the Clare Kiwanis Club, and a longtime board member of Chemical Bank. John enjoyed many of life's simple joys, including; hunting, fishing, golfing, his dogs, reading, cooking, and especially telling tales at the Herrick House.

John is survived by his three children John (Wendy) Bicknell, Susan (Tod) Leeson, Mark (Kathryn) Bicknell, all of Clare. Also surviving John are his grandchildren James, Taylor, Kayla, Jessica, and Katelin, and his twin sister Jane Murton of Clare. John has three great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews surviving him as well. He was preceded in death by his wife Jane, and his parents Mark and Audrey Bicknell.

Funeral Services for John will be held on Friday, October 16, 2015 at 11:00 AM from the Clare Congregational United Church of Christ. Burial will follow in the Cherry Grove Cemetery in Clare. Friends may meet with his family on Thursday at the Clare Chapel of Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home from 2:00

to 5:00 and 7:00 to 9:00 PM. Memorial contributions may be made to the Clare Congregational Church. For those unable to attend, online condolences may be made on John's tribute page at www.stephenson-wyman.com

Cemetery Details

Cherry Grove Cemetery

1000 Cedar St.
Clare, MI 48617

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 15. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Stephenson - Wyman Funeral Home (Clare)
1005 North McEwan St.
Clare, MI 48617
(989) 386-7451
wymanhf@chartermi.net
<https://www.stephenson-wyman.com/>

Visitation

OCT 15. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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Service

OCT **16**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Clare Congregational United Church of Christ
110 W. Fifth Street
Clare, MI 48617

Tribute Wall

JB

“ Sad to see John,(Mr.Bicknell) leave this world. He was one of my favorite customers to come into the the Clare 7-11, and grab his morning paper. He always had a story or two to share. I heard about his children, and how proud he was of them. He would always have his red english setter in the car, wearing her scarf. He just loved that dog. A true english man!
God Bless, he will be missed.
Janet B.



Janet Booth - October 25, 2015 at 02:17 PM

FD

“ So sorry for your loss. Frank always enjoyed having breakfast with John.
You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Frank and Micky Davis

Frank Davis - October 19, 2015 at 09:04 AM

DB

“ Goodbye Uncle John ...you always made me laugh , had advice about everythin an a very gentle soul. Loved you.
Buddy , Mark, Susie ,aunt Jane and all the family my most heartfelt sympathy.



deb bicknell - October 16, 2015 at 08:53 PM

JJ

John was a lover of life and my friend. His stories will be missed, but I'm planning to still hear some from his kids

John Quinnan II - November 03, 2015 at 01:00 PM



“ *Lydabelle Bicknell lit a candle in memory of John Mark Bicknell*



Lydabelle Bicknell - October 16, 2015 at 07:41 AM



It's always such a shock, when you lose someone you love. Condolences to all the family. [Placed the flowers from Jan, Ann, and me in a basket, Jane, so you can place them anywhere you wish]. Love to all the Bicknell family, Lydabelle

Lydabelle Bicknell - October 16, 2015 at 07:46 AM

MC

“ *John Bicknell...where to begin... I have a lot of fond memories of Mr. Bicknell. As a friend of Susan's, I spent a lot of time at the Bicknell household growing up. I always remember him in the kitchen, cooking something wonderful and calling me "The Light of his Life" or "there she is the light of me life". What a great guy, R.I.P. Mr. B.*

Michele Canel-Rockafellow

Michele Canel-Rockafellow - October 15, 2015 at 03:39 PM

SL

I miss you girl. Thank you. We have a lot of good memories. Susan 😊

Susan Leeson - October 15, 2015 at 10:21 PM

MW

“ Mike Reed, Bill Borre & The E&J Gallo Winery purchased the Tranquil Seas for the family of John Mark Bicknell.



Mike Reed, Bill Borre & The E&J Gallo Winery - October 15, 2015 at 02:40 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John Mark Bicknell.



October 15, 2015 at 11:46 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John Mark Bicknell.



October 15, 2015 at 08:40 AM

TR

“ John, Wendy and family.....Sorry for your loss. Keeping you in our thoughts and prayers.

Tom & Angie Reeves - October 15, 2015 at 07:48 AM

PS

“ *Patti Speir lit a candle in memory of John Mark Bicknell*



Patti Speir - October 14, 2015 at 04:00 PM

DT

“ *Daniel J. O'Brien DDS And Team lit a candle in memory of John Mark Bicknell*



Daniel J. O'Brien DDS and Team - October 14, 2015 at 02:32 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of John Mark Bicknell.*



October 14, 2015 at 11:37 AM

JW

“ *John was one of my sweetest customers at Town & Country and also Downtown Dani's.. I also served him Alot of coffee and meals, I ran into him almost daily at the Post Office always stopping for a chat or two or three !! I really enjoyed him,I will miss him and his side kick dog..*



Jenny Walkiewicz - October 14, 2015 at 10:30 AM

CM

Still looking for him to join the "round table-he will be sadly missed by all of us- Thanks to the Bicknel family for sharing a special man w/us all these years.

Claudia Marr - October 14, 2015 at 05:28 PM

RE

“ John Bicknell was a most exceptional man...so kind, thoughtful and giving. It was an honor to have him as a friend. My sincere condolences to the Bicknell family. It is always too soon to lose someone we love, but thankfully there are beautiful memories to keep them close.

Rebecca Groves Evans - October 13, 2015 at 07:36 PM

JM

“ Thoughts and prayers from Pat and Julie McConnell and very special friend Katie Eberhart ❤️🙏



Julie McConnell - October 13, 2015 at 07:02 PM

BH

“ You and your families are in our hearts during this difficult time.

Bruce and Carrie Hales - October 13, 2015 at 06:55 PM

SH

“ STEVE HAYNAK lit a candle in memory of John Mark Bicknell



STEVE HAYNAK - October 13, 2015 at 06:46 PM

MS

“ *Melanie And Trevor Muir. Dairy Phil Staf sent a virtual gift in memory of John Mark Bicknell*



Melanie and Trevor Muir. Dairy Phil Staf - October 13, 2015 at 06:30 PM

MS

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. May your memories bring you comfort. We will miss his sharing an orange pineapple cone with the dogs...such a kind man

Melanie and Trevor Muir. Dairy Phil Staf - October 13, 2015 at 06:32 PM

JS

“ *James And Kathy Sowle sent a virtual gift in memory of John Mark Bicknell*



James and Kathy Sowle - October 13, 2015 at 04:41 PM

JS

Jess Jourdain and family so sorry for your loss. You and your family are in our prayers.

James and Kathy Sowle - October 13, 2015 at 04:42 PM

KE

“ *He was my favorite Uncle and always consider him part of my family. Very kind to me as a young person.*



Kathy Emerson - October 13, 2015 at 04:06 PM