



## John Burick

October 31, 2008 - November 5, 2008

John Michael Burick, 75, born in Erie, PA and a resident of Huntsville, passed away unexpectedly as a result of a fatal accident on October 31, 2008. Born July 20, 1933, son of Florence "Beauty" Strohmeyer and Michael Paul Burick. John graduated with honors from Cathedral Prep High School in 1951; served in the US Navy; entered into an apprentice program with General Electric in Erie and retired there in 1988. He was an avid fisherman and outdoorsman. He enjoyed playing tennis, woodworking, gardening, and reading; he was an active member of St. Thomas Catholic Church. He cherished his grandchildren and visiting his children in Alaska. John is survived by his wife Rosalie "Penna" Burick, his sisters Dorothy Knablein, of Erie, Arlene Ferretti, of Florida, Mary Lou Wardanski of Erie, brothers Don Burick, of Erie and Bob Burick, of Clymer, NY. Surviving children include John Christopher Burick, Anchorage, Alaska, Christine Marie Hughes, Huntsville, TX, Ann Elizabeth Fiolek, Huntsville, TX, and Joseph Michael Burick, Juneau, AK. Four surviving grandchildren Richard, Lauren, Kara and Brian. He was preceded in death by granddaughter Amelia Fiolek. A rosary will be held Tuesday November 4, 2008 at 7 PM at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home with the family receiving friends from 5:30 to 7 PM. Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday November 6, 2008 at St. Thomas The Apostle Catholic Church. in Huntsville. A rosary will also be held at Burton Funeral Home following visitation from 1 – 4 PM Friday, November 7th. Mass will be held at St. James Catholic Church on November 8th, at 10 AM. Interment will follow at Wintergreen Gorge

Cemetery, Erie, PA. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations in John's name to their local library. Sign the guestbook at [www.GoErie.com/orbits](http://www.GoErie.com/orbits). Those wishing to leave memorial condolences for the family may do so at [www.shmfh.com](http://www.shmfh.com).

# Tribute Wall



“ *John Burick*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Prayers for you Ruth and all the Burick sons and daughter. Prayers for his sons and extended family. John has a good heart and was always there for family, friends and others. I'm saddened by his death and pray that the Lord will help the family through these hard times. John loved Harleys and life itself. He loved the kids and was always there for them. Cooking, cleaning or giving out a helping hand with money or work was never a bother for him. I'm so glad to know that we had made peace with each other many many years ago. I know he felt the same. I will always cherish the time I had with him. He had a strong belief and love for the Lord. Many evenings we prayed together for our shared love in God. He will be sadly missed.*

Laura Burick - June 20, 2020 at 09:20 AM



*Forgive me, I didn't realize that this was a different John Burick*

Laura Burick - June 20, 2020 at 09:23 AM

MP

“ Dear Rosie,

*I know you can take comfort in the kind of a man John was. My heart aches for you and your family. I will remember always seeing you weekly at adoration and your bringing your grand-daughter from the time she was about six weeks old till she started school,*

*May God give you peace and strength.*

*Mary Anne*

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**Mary Anne Petrosky** - November 05, 2008 at 06:09 PM

CP

“ *aunt rosalie i too wanted to let you and your family know that my thoughts and prayer are with you. uncle john was a kind and good man who will be missed by all who knew him.*

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**christopher penna** - November 05, 2008 at 12:08 PM

DG

“ *Dear Aunt Rosalie, John, Christine, Ann, and Joseph-*

*I was shocked and saddened to hear the news about Uncle John. My thoughts and prayers are with you during these difficult times as you mourn, remember and celebrate the life of a wonderful husband and father. Wishing you peace, strength and comfort, Diane*

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**Diane Penna Gorski** - November 04, 2008 at 11:58 AM

DL

“ Our condolences are with your family. John was a great neighbor. He would always help my grandfather with his yard when none of us were around. He always stopped and spoke and was always so kind. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family during this difficult time

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**Danny and Lindsay Lewis** - November 04, 2008 at 10:31 AM

BF

“ JOHN WAS A GREAT FATHER AND FATHER-IN-LAW HE WAS ALWAYS THER FOR YOU WITH HIS GREAT CARPENTRY SKILLS AND VAST KNOWLEDGE OF EVERYTHING.HE WAS ONE OF THE SMARTEST MEN I EVERY MEET.HE WAS THE THE BEST ROLE MODEL THAT OUR CHILDREN COULD EVERY HAVE.IF THEY GROW UP TO BE HALF THE PERSON HE WAS,WE WILL TRULY BLESSED.I WILL MISS JUST THE LITTLE THINGS HE DID THAT HE NEVER GAVE A SECOND THOUGHT TO.I WILL TRULY MISS HIM.

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**BRIAN FIOLEK** - November 04, 2008 at 09:25 AM

BK

“ John's love for his grandchildren was very evident as he would play with them, take them on walks, and decorate the house and yard during the holidays for their enjoyment. John was a wonderful neighbor and I will truly miss him and his cheery greetings. We are praying for you during this difficult time.

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**Becky Krohn** - November 03, 2008 at 07:09 PM

KF

“ My papa was great. He played with me and my brother no matter how tired he was. He liked to cook and bake with me even as early as 6 am. He would let me pick the ingredients and somehow it always turned out tasting good. Once we made green eggs and ham. He was very entergetic and would play on the Huntsville HS ropes course with me every time I asked. He would encourage me with my school work and helped me to always learn new things. We would do crazy science experiments together from books he would get from the library. They were always fun. I love my papa very much. He will be sadly missed. Love you papa.

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**Kara Fiolek** - November 03, 2008 at 06:55 PM

JM

“ Rosa Lee,  
We are so sorry to learn of John's passing. We have such fond memories of the times we enjoyed on the AARP trips and in our meetings. John was a very interesting person and had such an active life. Our thoughts are with you and the family. Wish we could be with you.

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**Joyce and Jimmy Merchant** - November 03, 2008 at 03:59 PM

CW

“ I was very saddened to learn the news of John. We saw each other everyday and spoke often. John was always supportive and affirming and he truly will be missed. He was just one of those guys you were proud to know and my wife and I are better for having known him. We send our most sincere condolences. He was a wonderful person.

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**Christopher Wilson** - November 02, 2008 at 10:44 PM

GS

“ *My condolences go out to the Burick family. I knew John Burick through the seven hills running club. He was a nice and polite individual.*

*Be strong in the Lord.*

*Garland Spivey & family*

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**Garland Spivey** - November 02, 2008 at 07:20 PM