



Bernard Charles Stenger

March 6, 1935 - May 23, 2022

Stenger, Bernard, of Dittmer, Missouri, was born March 6, 1935 in Glennonville, Missouri to John and Mary (nee Fuemmeler) Stenger and entered into rest Monday, May 23, 2022, at his home in Dittmer, Missouri at the age of 87 years, 2 months, and 17 days.

He is preceded in death by, his wife Joyce (nee Bernhardt) Stenger, both of his parents, his brother Adolph (Lucille) Stenger, and sister Teresa Reale.

He is survived by his children, Amy (Donald) McClure, James (Sarah) Stenger, Robert (Caroline) Stenger, Julie (John) Knowlton, Mary-Teresa (Jason) Fletter, Emily (Bill) Hansen, Michael (Shelly) Stenger, and Daniel (Allison) Kasden,

Twenty Grandchildren,

Five Great-grandchildren,

Five siblings, John (The late Nelva) Stenger, Mary (The late Urban) Teder, Genevieve (The late John) Siebert, Francis (The late Deanna) Stenger, and Sister Amelia Stenger

along with numerous extended family and friends.

Bernard “Ben/Bernie” was a loving husband, dad, grandpa, great grandpa, and friend. He was very invested in his family and church. He spent his life caring for others, spending many years as a respiratory therapist for SSM St. Mary’s Hospital. He was the 185th person to be licensed as a respiratory therapist in the country. He started the first respiratory therapy department in St. Louis, and the respiratory therapy teaching program at St. Mary’s (which is now a program at STLCC – Forest Park). He spent time teaching at the program prior to his retirement from the hospital in 1994. Ben was a perpetually positive person, he was everybody’s “Pop”, had a great sense of humor, and was always there with a smile and a hug. He was an avid gardener, do-it yourselfer, and treasured the little things in life. He will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by all who knew and loved him.

A Celebration of Life is being held July 3, 2022, from 1-5pm at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 6800 Knights of Columbus Lane, House Springs, 63051 Memorial Donations can be made to Meals on Wheels of Greater St. Louis, P.O. Box 410395, St. Louis, MO 63141. Family and friends can review and share stories, photos and condolences online at www.stlfuneral.com and follow details of this event and others in the community at www.facebook.com/stlchapelhill.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JUL 3. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Knights of Columbus - House Springs, Missouri (Fr. Jeremiah Murphy Council #6435)
6800 Knights of Columbus Lane
House Springs, MO

Tribute Wall



“ *Bernard Charles Stenger*

January 06, 2023 at 10:46 PM



“ *He was also my grandpa I miss him I took the last picture of him when he was in the hospital. And here is another picture of us together when I was little.*



Lexi Knowlton - November 29, 2022 at 05:39 PM