



Brian Decke

May 6, 1941 - December 30, 2021

Frederic "Brian" Decke, 80 of Holt, MI died unexpectedly on Thursday, December 30, 2021. Brian was born in Lansing, MI on May 6, 1941 to F. Bruce and Margaret

(Hough) Decke. He graduated from Grand Ledge H.S. in 1959 and received his BA in Marketing from Ferris State University. Brian worked for 65 years in the clay products business, 30 of those years at his family's company in Grand Ledge. Brian was beloved by his customers and enjoyed visiting with them.

He married his high school sweetheart, Roberta "Bobbie" Kay Munsel on September 5, 1963. They were committed to each other for 57 years until Bobbie's death. Brian loved God and made Him a priority in his life by regular church attendance, Bible study groups, volunteer work, searching the scriptures and getting godly advice to make sure he was doing what is right.

Brian enjoyed summers at the family cottage and winters at their Florida home. He

also enjoyed working on engines, loved classic cars, being involved in community

activities, playing ping pong, shuffleboard, cards, and spending time with his family. He was a devoted father. Brian is survived by his children, Heather (Ron) Edwards of Lynnville, TN; Dianna (Fritz) Bork of Plainwell, MI; Karyn (Nick) White of Littleton, CO; James B. Decke of Lansing, MI; 10

Grandchildren; 3 Great-Grandchildren; sister, Janet Gates. He was preceded

in death by his wife, parents and sister, Jeanne Harju.

Visitation is from 10:30-12:30

Funeral Service is from 12:30-1:30

Graveside Committal is at 1:30 at Oakwood Cemetery

Lunch immediately following.

All events will occur on January 11, 2022 at the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home in Grand Ledge, MI

Memorial contributions may be made to White Lake Baptist Church, 5280 Dowling

St., Montague, MI 49437.

Share your memories and condolences online at www.holihanatkins.com

Cemetery Details

Oakwood Cemetery

299 Halbert Street
Grand Ledge, MI 48837

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 11. 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Webcast in memory of Brian Decke*



Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home - January 11, 2022 at 10:52 AM

JD

“ *Unfortunately there were some things omitted from the obituary. Brian Decke was my dad and he and my mother's firstborn child was Brian Scott Decke. Because they were unmarried at the time of birth, Brian Scott was given up for adoption. He has a beautiful wife named Tammy and together they have four children: Katy, Matthew, Zack, and Cameron. David is a good man and he and his family deserve to be recognized as legitimate family members.*

Jim Decke - January 24, 2022 at 04:54 PM

DF

I met him at the funeral and he was fine gentleman.

Don Frayer - April 17, 2022 at 06:34 PM

JB

“ *Brian and I are first cousins, grew up together in Grand Ledge and at our ancestors' cottage on White Lake. Brian has been my longest-term friend in my lifetime, a role model in many ways and is forever in my heart and thoughts. Jack Butterick*

Jack Butterick - January 11, 2022 at 02:22 PM

TF

“ *The Lear Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Brian Decke.*



The Lear Family - January 10, 2022 at 03:10 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Brian Decke.*



January 10, 2022 at 09:07 AM

KB

“ *We were really saddened to hear of Brian's sudden passing. He was a real asset to our Bible study group and will be greatly missed by all of us. We always admired his care and faithfulness during Bobbie's illness. He had a very loving, kind, compassionate and gentle spirit, and always had a smile. He loved Jesus and it showed in all aspects of his life. Our heartfelt condolences to all his family. May God be your strength and comfort during this time of bereavement.*

Kent & Sandy Bainbridge - January 07, 2022 at 12:29 PM

BW

“ *I just met Brian this last summer. I enjoyed sharing a meal and talking to him. R.I.P Brian.*

Bonnie Woods, Lansing

Bonnie Woods - January 07, 2022 at 12:05 PM

BF

“ Brighton Stone & Fireplace purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Brian Decke.



Brighton Stone & Fireplace - January 07, 2022 at 10:01 AM

PS

“ Betsy and I were saddened to learn of Brian’s passing.

His winning smile, intellect and gracious and friendly manner were features to admire but shining brighter than those admirable traits was how he handled the illnesses of his wife, Bobbi, and his son in law, Ron. His caring and patience stood out for all to see.

We will say a special prayer for this wonderful man.

Paul Sullivan

Paul Sullivan - January 06, 2022 at 04:05 PM

CP

“ Over the years my husband and I visited Brian and Bobbie when we were home from the mission field, and always found a warm welcome, listening ears, compassionate care and loving friendship. My heart breaks that this kind man is gone from this earth, though I know we’ll see him again someday. He will be terribly missed by those who love him. Kevin and I send our condolences to all of you. He was so wonderful to me, each time I met him or spoke to him, from when I was a small child even up to last year. Cami Peterson-Zwart

Cami Peterson-Zwart - January 06, 2022 at 12:30 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Brian Decke.*



January 05, 2022 at 10:07 PM



“ *We first met Brian and Bobbie when we shared a duplex in 1967. We stayed close for a number of years. After that our lives diverged but we managed to reconnect several times. Last summer Brian reached out to me and we shared time together twice. I'm so grateful that we managed make that happen. We were hoping continue those meetings.*
Roger Clark, Lansing

Roger Clark - January 04, 2022 at 07:30 PM



Thank you for sharing. I know our parents always remembered you and Joanie and your times together fondly.

Karyn White - January 05, 2022 at 04:57 PM



“ *Thoughts and prayers to the entire Decke family.*

Gary and Joanne Ford - January 04, 2022 at 03:54 PM



Thank you

Karyn White - January 05, 2022 at 04:57 PM

AC

I am so sorry to hear about Brian's passing! Brian and Bobbi were much loved at Trinity Church. My prayers for your family.

Anne Cody - January 05, 2022 at 08:26 PM

SB

We met Brian and Bobbi when we lived on the opposite side of the street in Briny Breezes. Such a wonderful couple. Heard he was wanting to get back to Briny Breezes this year. He will be missed by all here. May the family find comfort in knowing that he is now reunited with Bobbi and they both live with the angels.

stan and Carole Brunell - January 05, 2022 at 10:02 PM

RS

Brian came into our coffee group in Jan/Feb of 2021. Shortly after the loss of his wife. He seemed to gain strength in his association with our group. Several of us had all been through the loss of a spouse.

I've only known him a short time of his many years of life. But, the time he spent with us at coffee was beneficial for all of us. He will be missed in our group. Coffees Ice Cream Sundays, Fish suppers, Build a burger suppers. All good times. He seemed to be at piece with his life. Now, he and Bobble are together again. Thank you Decke family for loaning him to us for a while.

Robert Strobel - January 10, 2022 at 03:34 PM