



Bruce M. Holey

October 11, 2016

CLAYTON – Bruce M. Holey, age 64 of Clayton, passed away Tuesday, October 11, 2016.

He was born in 1952 in Toledo, Ohio, to the late Richard and Ellen Holey, and graduated from Bedford High School with the Class of 1970. He grew up going with the family to their cottage on Wamplers Lake where he cultivated a love of boating, water skiing, and fishing that carried on throughout his life.

On September 30, 1989, he married Jane Dirske in Holland, Michigan, and they have been blessed with 27 years together. It is a rare and extraordinary thing to find two people so in love with each other, and such love was evident in the way they cared for each other on their many biking and camping trips. Bruce was a master electrician for General Motors, where he retired in 2008. As an engineer, he was also gifted at fixing almost anything mechanical and had an energy that never let him sit in one place for long, but pushed him to keep striving and inventing. After retiring, he went to work for Uckele Health and Nutrition, where he was a valued member of their staff. Bruce was a faithful member of Ogden Church, where he loved to serve, worship, and fellowship with a congregation who loved him back and appreciated his many contributions. He was also a devoted follower of Christ and knew that he would spend eternity in the loving arms of his heavenly Father.

In addition to his wife, Jane, he is survived by his children: Dakota Holey of Hillsdale, and Matthew Holey of Clatyon; and from his first marriage with Jennifer Jankow, their children, Sarah (Aaron) Holey-Schwartz of Athens, OH;

Gordon (Jennifer) Holey of Williamstown, MA; Peter Holey of Champagne, IL, grandson, Max Holey; and siblings: Brenda Sumey of Oxford, MI, Susie (Dick) Okopny of Grosse Ile, MI and Brett (Susan) Holey of Greenwich, CT. All those surviving him feel blessed to have been a part of his life and miss the brightness and joy of his presence.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Bryan Holey.

A memorial Celebration of Life will take place at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, October 22, 2016 at Ogden Church with Rev. John Maguire officiating. The family will receive friends at the church from 10 a.m. until the service.

Contributions in memory of Bruce are suggested to Damascus Road. Online condolences and memories may be shared at www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **22**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Ogden Church
3201 E. US-223
Adrian, MI

Celebration of Life

OCT **22**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Bruce M. Holey*

January 28, 2023 at 12:24 PM



“ *Bruce was a great guy. An Excellent Electrician, and you could always depend on him. I never ever saw Bruce get mad at anybody. Well, at least not mad that he would hold a grudge. He helped me out a lot when I first started working at General Motors. Thanks for all the good times and tough times Bruce.*

Will be seeing you sooner than we all think.

Michael Morast - October 27, 2016 at 08:12 PM



“ *Uckele Health & Nutrition purchased the Amazing Arboricola for the family of Bruce M. Holey.*



Uckele Health & Nutrition - October 18, 2016 at 01:07 PM



“ *Jim & Sandy Grady*

*Jane & Family we are so sorry for your loss.
R.I.P BRUCE.*

Jim & Sandy Grady - October 17, 2016 at 07:57 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Bruce M. Holey.*



October 17, 2016 at 10:44 AM



“ *Jane so sorry to hear about Bruce, prayers to you and the kids. Terri Ramsey*

terri ramsey - October 17, 2016 at 10:14 AM



“ *Bruce was among the top three kindest men I know and here is why.....he knew his Lord and Savior and this eternal perspective guided his words, thoughts, and actions. I will miss him around Ucklele.*

Chris - October 15, 2016 at 11:35 AM



“ Bruce and I became facilitators for the American Lung Association's "Freedom from Smoking". in the 1980's. Bruce was dependable, knowledgeable and a wonderful advocate in the quest for others to become smoke-free.

You could hear the love and pride in his voice when he talked about his children. His passion for outdoor activities, especially bike riding was contagious. He was a gentle giant that has left a footprint in many of our lives.

May his life be an example for us all. May his family feel the warmth of his love and continue to carry his light onward. A life well lived.

Peace to you all.

Sylvia Handy Stoner

Sylvia Stoner - October 15, 2016 at 10:03 AM

KI

“ So Sorry to hear of Bruce's passing, I used to talk with him everyday at Uckele's. Such a wonderful person. May he rest in Heaven and God wrap his arms around his family



Kim - October 14, 2016 at 07:44 PM

KI

“ So Sorry to hear if Bruce's passing, I used to say Hi every morning when I was at Uckele's. May he rest in heaven and may God wrap his arms around his family

Kim - October 14, 2016 at 07:38 PM

AS

“ I first knew Bruce while working at the G.M. plant in Adrian, we worked together for twenty six years. Bruce was a outstanding electrician, I always enjoyed working with Bruce, but most of all I enjoyed his insight on life. I got to know his family while they were members of the Weston Church, Bruce will be missed by me as a friend, I will always remember him, his insight, & his love for his fellow man & his deep love for his family. I pray for all of you during this hard time.

In Christian love, Al Constable Sr

Al Constable Sr. - October 13, 2016 at 08:36 PM

RW

“ Ron & Tina Walker lit a candle in memory of Bruce M. Holey



Ron & Tina Walker - October 13, 2016 at 05:49 PM

CB

“ Caroline Brewer lit a candle in memory of Bruce M. Holey



Caroline Brewer - October 13, 2016 at 01:50 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bruce M. Holey.*



October 13, 2016 at 12:17 PM



“ *Jane, Dakota, and Matt,
I am so sad to hear that Bruce has passed away. He was a very kind and compassionate man. I loved to chat with him when he was driving bus for LCS. I am very sorry for your loss and will keep your family in my prayers. Sincerely, Sue Fuss*

Sue Fuss - October 13, 2016 at 10:32 AM



“ *Bob Reyes lit a candle in memory of Bruce M. Holey*



Bob Reyes - October 13, 2016 at 09:23 AM



“ *My dear friend, I am so very sorry....words just don't seem like enough, my heart breaks for you all!! I pray you feel Gods grace cover you as you walk thru this journey...remember you are not alone!!! If you need to talk..let me know! Love you my friend!
Cindi*

Cindi Fry - October 13, 2016 at 09:19 AM

DC

“ *Drage Chris lit a candle in memory of Bruce M. Holey*



Drage Chris - October 12, 2016 at 06:59 PM

RL

“ *Roger Lovell lit a candle in memory of Bruce M. Holey*



Roger Lovell - October 12, 2016 at 03:11 PM



“ *Michele Van Wormer lit a candle in memory of Bruce M. Holey*



Michele Van Wormer - October 12, 2016 at 03:00 PM