



Bernard Lee Grove III

June 15, 1933 - November 22, 2023

Bernard 'Bernie' L. Grove (1933 – 2023)

Our beloved father Bernard “Bernie” Lee Grove, 90, of St. Michaels, MD, passed away on November 22, 2023.

Bernie was born in Chicago, Illinois on June 15, 1933 to Bernard Lee Grove and Catherine Brand who met and married in Chicago. Growing up in Washington, DC, with his siblings Jane Grove Bolger, Mary Grove Drew and Walter Grove, he attended Blessed Sacrament Elementary School, St. John’s Military Academy where he played football and track and field. He went on to college at the University of Maryland where he graduated in 1955 with a major in Agricultural Engineering. He was a member of the track and field team and a member of Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity.

While at the University of Maryland he was introduced to his future wife, Mary Posta, by his sister Jane Grove Bolger. Bernie and Mary married in 1956 and moved to Frederick, Maryland where he started his career in the stone aggregate business with the MJ Grove Lime Company. Bernie spent his entire career with effectively the same company eventually becoming president of Redland Genstar.

Bernie and Mary raised six children: Bud, Mike, Dave, Robert, Mary Catherine

and Bryan in Frederick where Bernie was a devoted father and was very active in the local community supporting Little League Baseball, Rotary and one of his biggest passions, Catholic Education. Bernie worked diligently to start Prospect Hall (now known as St. John's Catholic Prep) where he was a lifetime Board Member and over the years was a consistent supporter of the school.

In addition to a successful business career Bernie was very involved in the local business community where he was a Board Member of Frederick County National Bank and as an Advisory Board Member of BB&T Bank. He was active in the Frederick Maryland Chamber of Commerce, serving as Chairman and was also Chairman of the Frederick County Economic Development Committee. He served on Williard Agri-Services Board of Advisors. He was a Past Chairman and Honorary Life Member of the National Stone Association, Chairman and Life Member of the Maryland Aggregate Association, a member of the Pit and Quarry Hall of Fame and a member of the Maryland Highway Contractors Hall of Fame.

Upon retirement and the death of his wife Mary in 1997, Bernie moved to St. Michaels Maryland where he followed his avid love of hunting, fishing, farming and being outdoors. Bernie was an active member of St. Michaels Chapel and Saints Peter and Paul in Easton where he served on the Parish's Building Committee where he helped oversee the construction of the new church and parish rectory. He continued his community involvement on the Eastern Shore being an active member of Rotary Club of St. Michaels where he met his second wife Carol Wrightson Armstrong.

He is survived by his second wife Carol Wrightson Armstrong; his siblings Jane Bolger, Mary Drew and Walter and Jane Grove; his children, Bud and Nancy Grove of Lancaster, PA; Michael and Linda Grove of Easton, MD; David and Andie Grove of Frederick, MD; Robert and Kristi Grove of Houston,

TX; Mary Catherine and David James of Gettysburg, PA; and Bryan and Becky Grove of New Market, MD; and his grandchildren, LeeAnne Grove and Jay Wolman, Bryan and Tiffany Grove, Daniel Grove, Michael and Dina Grove, Bobby and Vera Grove, William and Lizzy Grove, Paige Grove, Emily Grove, Drew and Julia Grove, Kaitlyn and Will Martin, Patric Grove, Hanna James, David James, Josh Grove and Tyler Grove; and his great grandchildren, Ava, Audrey, Alice, Conor, Killian, Brooks, Gwen and Nico.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his first wife Mary Posta Grove.

There will be a visitation at Fellows, Helfenbein and Newnam Funeral Home at 200 South Harrison Street, Easton, MD 21601 on November 29, 2023, from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. A Mass of Christian Burial at Saints Peter and Paul Church at 1210 S. Washington Street, Easton, MD 21601 will be held on November 30, 2023 at 11:00 am.

A private interment will be held at Mount Olivet Cemetery in Frederick, Maryland.

In lieu of flowers, friends are asked to send charitable donations to St. John's Catholic Prep High School (www.saintjohnsprep.org; 3989 Buckeystown Pike, PO Box 909, Buckeystown, MD 21717) or SS. Peter and Paul Parish (www.ss ppeaston.org; 1214 South Washington Street, Easton, MD 21601).

Cemetery Details

Mount Olivet Cemetery

Frederick, MD

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **29**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home
200 S. Harrison Street
EASTON
EASTON, MD 21601

Mass

NOV **30**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church
1210 S Washington Street
Easton, MD 21601

Tribute Wall



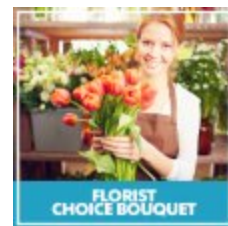
“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Bernard Lee Grove III*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - November 28, 2023 at 01:06 PM

CM

“ *Connie Herschbach,Board Member-WillardAg purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Bernard Lee Grove III.*



Connie Herschbach,Board Member-WillardAg - December 27, 2023 at 05:24 PM

TB

“ *I had the pleasure of working with Bernie Grove at Genstar. He was such a great man, and loved all his staff, treated us like family. I remember the day he retired, and I knew that that company would never be the same. To this day, that company was never the same. I have fond memories of those days, he may be gone but never forgotten! My condolences to the family.*

Terri Buser - December 06, 2023 at 07:39 PM

PD

“ *PENSKE TRUCK LEASING- ATLANTA EAST DIST. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Bernard Lee Grove III.*



PENSKE TRUCK LEASING- ATLANTA EAST DIST. -
November 30, 2023 at 09:59 AM

KG

“ *My condolences to the entire Grove family. My father, Henry (Mickey) Borger, has been friends with Bernie since they met in elementary school at Blessed Sacrament, and they went to St. John's together. I think my dad is godfather to Mary Catherine. The fact that their friendship endured across 80 years speaks to the kind of man that Bernie was. Unfortunately, my dad is unable to attend the funeral in person, but will be watching the livestream. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*



Kathy Borger Garnes - November 29, 2023 at 03:19 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Bernard Lee Grove III.*

November 29, 2023 at 02:08 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Bernard Lee Grove III.*



November 29, 2023 at 11:12 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Bernard Lee Grove III.*



November 28, 2023 at 04:23 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Bernard Lee Grove III.*



November 28, 2023 at 09:36 AM



“ *It was my pleasure to know Bernie from the Willard Agri-Service board for the last 18 years. He was a smart businessman and a true gentleman. I will miss his humor and his wisdom.*

John Olson - November 28, 2023 at 08:56 AM

JB

“ They say that grief and gratitude go hand in hand...I guess that makes me the most grateful of all... Bernard and I enjoyed almost 90 years together and one couldn't have asked for a better brother. In our younger years, he was a big tease,in later years a loving, caring,big brother. One of his favorite sayings was “life's like a train ride... and if the train stops tomorrow and I have to get off; it's been a great ride!” He really meant it. He was blessed with the 2 things that meant the most to him: faith and family....and what a family he had! I consider myself so lucky to have been one of them... God bless....I love you all ❤️🙏 aunt Jane

jane grove bolger - November 27, 2023 at 08:11 PM

BW

“ I had the pleasure of serving on a Board with Bernie. He was a pleasure to work with and had a way of giving advice without creating acrimony. I learned very much working with Bernie and am thankful to have had the opportunity.

I am sorry for your loss -- he was a great man.

Bob Williamson - November 27, 2023 at 09:13 AM

DB

“ Mary Catherine, you and your family are n our thoughts and prayers, at this time. We love you all, Michael and Debbie Bentz



Debbie Bentz - November 25, 2023 at 06:56 PM

CG

“ I had the honor and privilege to work with Bernie for 15 years, truly and officer and a gentleman, rest easy you will be missed.

Cathy Gestido - November 25, 2023 at 03:23 PM

MR

“ I went to school with the Groves at Prospect Hall aka St. John's in Frederick and was glad to find Mr Grove living down on the Eastern shore when I moved there many years later. He showed great kindness to us before I even realized that he was THE Mr. Grove from Frederick. "Well done, good and faithful servant." Rest in peace. My deepest condolences to all.

Mary-Eileen Russell - November 25, 2023 at 01:12 PM

MB

“ My sincerest condolences to Ms Carol and families. Mr Bernie touched many hearts.



Mary Baker - November 24, 2023 at 04:30 PM

JC

“ Judy Callahan lit a candle in memory of Bernard Lee Grove III



Judy Callahan - November 24, 2023 at 04:27 PM