



Lawrence "Lollie" Amoss Bernard

January 6, 1926 - January 7, 2013

Lawrence "Lollie" Amoss Bernard, age 87 of Albia, died Monday, January 7, 2013 at Monroe Care Center in Albia.

Lollie was born January 6, 1926 to Pete and Isabel (Amoss) Bernard in Hocking, IA. He married Mary Brisky August 12, 1950, and to this union three children were born, William, Mark, and Jeffrey.

Lollie graduated from Albia High School, where he was also a charter member of the Albia FFA. He joined the United States Army and served during World War II. After attending American Institute of Business in Des Moines, he was a bookkeeper for Goode Seed and Feed before working for the U.S. Postal Service for 35 years as a mail carrier where he became a part of the Million Mile Club.

Lollie was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Knights of Columbus, V.F.W., American Legion, and Retired Federal Employees. He was one of the founding fathers of Monroe County Little League and helped build the first ball park. He served as president and board member of the Rathbun Area Babe Ruth League and was a member of the Albia Community School Board from 1972-1978. Lollie served as mayor of Albia for four years, stepping down in 1993. He also served on the Low Rent Housing Board, was a member of the REC board of directors, and received the Ambassadors Special Recognition

Award from the Albia Chamber of Commerce in 1993.

Lollie loved his community and was inducted into Albia's Hall of Fame in 1994 for his outstanding service.

Lollie is survived by his wife, Mary of Albia; two sons, William (Mary) Bernard of Marquette, MI and Jeffrey (Madlen) Bernard of Las Vegas, NV; five grandchildren; three great grandchildren; and four loving nieces. . Lollie is also survived by a daughter-in-law Susan Bernard of Ankeny.

He was preceded by his parents, Pete and Isabel; a son, Mark; and a brother, John.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 a.m., Thursday, January 10, 2013, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Albia, with Fr. Michael E. Volkmer, C.P.P.S. officiating. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery in Albia with military rites provided by the American Legion of Albia, Lovilia, and Melrose.

Visitation will open to the public at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, January 9, 2013, at Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Lollie's family present throughout the day and evening. A rosary will be led at 4 p.m., provided by St. Mary's Altar and Rosary Society, with a Christian Wake Service beginning at 6 p.m., Wednesday evening at the funeral home.

Memorials may be directed to Welcome Home Soldier Memorial or to the Albia Sports Complex, in care of Tharp Funeral Home; 116 Benton Ave. West; Albia, IA 52531.

Tribute Wall



“ *Lawrence "Lollie" Amoss Bernard*

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ *Lawrence "Lollie" Amoss Bernard*

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ *I will always remember Uncle Lolly for his bear hugs. His hugs always told me I was loved and I was one of his girls. I know there was a grand reunion in heaven Monday around noon. There was a receiving line waiting to welcome him home. Thank you Uncle Lolly for all the examples you lived for others. I loved you a lot!*

Shirley Walker - Ottumwa, IA - Uncle - January 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *My fond memories of Uncle Lollie include his bear hugs, his big smile, his good smelling aftershave, and the many quarters that he found behind my ear. Thank you!! Love ya!*

Deb Jensen - Blakesburg, IA - Great uncle - January 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mary and family,
We are out of state but we send our sincerest sympathy in your loss of Lollie. May good memories of better times sustain you now and strengthen you in the days to come.
With love,
Patty and Tom*

Patty and Tom Hannam - Albia, IA - Friend - January 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ *Mary and boys*

*So sorry to her about Lollies passing. I remember the good times we had over at Pete and Mrs. Bernards when lollie was over there and then going to schools with your boys. He was always happy and a great person. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.
Marcia and familywy5kr*

Marcia Engstrom Ryan - Eldora, IA - Friend and neighbor to lollies p - January 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ *Thinking of the Good Times that my Parents Cap & Bonita Simmons had with Lollie and Mary. Memories of Lollie's Great Smile and Personality come back as I think of the Years that we knew him. Always Considerate and Kind and I feel Blessed to have known Him. May God Speed and Bless his Soul as his Journey continues.*

My Deepest Condolences to the Family and may they find Peace and Happiness through his Passing.

*Andy & Mary Rose Simmons
Fulton, Il
5mctab@mchsi.com*

Andy Simmons - Fulton, IL - Friend - January 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM

NF

“ *Mary and family, I am so sorry to hear about Lollie. My thoughts and prayers go to you and your family. I hope you will remember all the good times. Takecare of yourself.*

naomi braun - albia, IA - friend - January 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ I have never met Mr. Bernard but have seen a reflection of him through his son, Jeffery. Jeff lives here in Nevada with his family and has been a great friend to myself and my daughter. Jeff's father and mother obviously raised Jeff to be the wonderful human being he is. He is one of the kindest and most considerate people I have ever had the pleasure of meeting in my entire life. I have never had the pleasure of meeting Jeff's father but he must have been a remarkable man and will surely be missed by the people who knew him. I will still have my good friend Jeff and will be honored to hear more about his father through our future conversations.

Scott Rozelle - Henderson, NV - Friend - January 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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MG

“ We love you grandpa you will be missed

Madlen Sarti - Henderson, NV - Granddaughter - January 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SN

“ Uncle Lolly always made me laugh and smile. He had the gift of joy! Thank you Uncle Lolly for all those good times camping & boating at Lake Rathbun. You always made me feel like one of the boys. I had so much fun water skiing & fishing with you, dad and Gma Issy. All the wonderful memories with you, dad and your family. Thank you! Love you Uncle Lolly:)

Sheila DeBolt - Sandwich, IL - Niece - January 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LI

“ *Mary, and family. I am so sorry to hear about Lollie passing. I have some great memories of spending time at the lake with your family and the Beaumont family. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.*
Lynn Mitchell Popson

Lynn Popson - West Des Moines, IA - January 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM