

## BENNY EDWARD RANKIN

November 24, 1948 - March 28, 2018

BENNY E. RANKIN SWOOPE, VA...Benny Edward Rankin, 69, husband of Dianne Potter Rankin, of Swoope, died Wednesday, March 28, 2018 at Augusta Health. He was born November 24, 1948 in Staunton, a son of the late Leonard Franklin and Ruby Marjorie (Andes) Rankin. Benny was the manager for 30 years at Staunton Bowling Lanes and owned T-Bone Tooter. He loved working with the youth program during his years at the Bowling Lanes, working in his shop, airbrushing, building trikes, and riding his motorcycle. Benny was a man with a really big heart and loved hosting 4th of July parties every year for his good friends. In addition to his wife, family members include two sons and daughters-in-law, Marc and Christina Rankin and Curtis and Rebecca Rohr; three grandchildren, Aydan Rankin, Sierra Swisher, and Lola Rohr; and his special companion, Minnie. A memorial service will be conducted at 3 p.m. Saturday, March 31, 2018 in the Henry Funeral Home by the Rev. Gayle Thornberry. The family will receive friends from 6 until 8 p.m. Friday, March 30, 2018 in the funeral home. Memorials may be made to Augusta Dog Adoptions, 679 Old White Hill Road, Stuarts Draft, VA 24477.

## Comments



Dear Diane and Family...we see your "for sale" sign on your home and it reminds us of our nearly 18 years of being nearly-next-door neighbors. It is a fact of life that life goes on and we want you to know you are in our prayers as you move forward. We are ever grateful for the special moments that Benny provided for us as the new guys on the block..at the restaurant...with the incredible Fourth of July fireworks display...oh my. God be with you.

Meredith and Jon Arneson - March 22, 2019 at 12:00 AM



I will miss him so much he was like a dad to me. I am so sorry for your loss sending prayers and love

Bobbie Phillips - April 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM



It is with deep sadness that I have heard of Benny's passing. MY prayers and thoughts go out to Diane and the family. Benny was always a friend that I never forgot because he was a very special person. We shared many good times in our younger years and for that I am eternally grateful. Our loss is heaven's gain! God Bless!!!! Butch Bayne

March 31, 2018 at 12:00 AM



66 So sorry sending prayers for the family

Barbara Seal - March 30, 2018 at 12:00 AM



Dianne, I am so sorry to hear you lost Benny and Minnie lost her dad. I am sure he will be missed by all.

Becky, Lucys mom - March 30, 2018 at 12:00 AM



Dear Dianne and family, it is with great sadness that we learn of your dear husband's passing. As nearly-next-door neighbors for more than 17 years we think of Benny and you and your family each time we look out of our kitchen window and view some of your place from there. We have grateful and very fond memories of sitting on Bill and Betty Wade's hill to enjoy, with some of our family, the incredible firework display Benny worked hard to put together for your friends and neighbors! We enjoyed them for several years when we first moved here. And the meals we enjoyed at T-Bone Tooters. Oh my! - fond memories of those times, too!! Most unfortunately our times connecting with you became less and less and that, we must truly confess, leaves us with some regret. Benny was a 'great guy' as someone else said and will be thought of often. May our Lord rest his soul. May He give you peace and comfort- you and your family - during this most grievous time. Please let us know how we may help in some way. Blessings and caring thoughts coming your way. The Arneson - Meredith and Jon

Meredith Arneson - March 29, 2018 at 12:00 AM



Dianne, you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Bennie was a good man and I always enjoyed working with him in bowling. He will be missed.

Sallie Feaganes - March 29, 2018 at 12:00 AM



66 Condolences to the Rankin family. Very good man and a true loss RIP Old friend.

LINN BARTON - March 29, 2018 at 12:00 AM



Sorry for your loss. Benny was a great guy and will be missed.

Junell Emrich - March 29, 2018 at 12:00 AM



Marc and family. Sorry to hear about ur Dad. He was a great man. He will b sadly missed.

Cathy Campbell - March 29, 2018 at 12:00 AM



**66** your family.

Sallie Feaganes - March 29, 2018 at 12:00 AM



Dianne and family my thought and prayers are with you during this time of sorrow.

Benny was a super person and had a big heart for all he came in contact with. He will be sadly missed and God has taken another angel. God be with you.

Donna Lane - March 29, 2018 at 12:00 AM



66 Benny was a great guy. So sorry for your loss. Please know you all are in my prayers.

Connie Doyle - March 29, 2018 at 12:00 AM



Sending Love and Prayers to you and your family Dianne, we are all here for you, praying that God will lift you up, and give you strength through this time of sorrow. With heavy heart sympathy, Kimberly Fix

Kimberly Fix - March 29, 2018 at 12:00 AM



A stranger was never met buy this wonderful man. He would help anyone in need with anything he had! His heart was so big! He was one of the greats! Love to you all and find peace that he is at peace now!

Karen Brady - March 28, 2018 at 12:00 AM



My thoughts and prayers are with you Dianne and family today and in days ahead. What a wonderful place Heaven must be, and one day we will all meet again.

Lynette Wyatt - March 28, 2018 at 12:00 AM



Sorry to hear about Benny he was a great person with a big heart prayers to you Diane and all the family

Janette and Robert Shipe - March 28, 2018 at 12:00 AM



I am so sadden by the news of Bennys passing. My thoughts go out to Dianne & the family. I had the pleasure of knowing them both through the bowling alley, many years ago. Always a smile on his face, such a special person. Prayers for all

Cindy Stinespring Knapp - March 28, 2018 at 12:00 AM



This candle in memory of you, Benny. Your light will always shine in the heart of many. May you Rest In Peace. Shirley and Lowell Barnes

Shirley and Lowell Barnes - March 28, 2018 at 12:00 AM



So sorry for your loss Dianne. You and your family will be in our thoughts and prayers.

Wendy and Terry Curry - March 28, 2018 at 12:00 AM



Dianne, I am so sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Wanda Dove - March 28, 2018 at 12:00 AM



Dianne, Marc, and Curtis, so sorry for your loss. Benny was such a great person. Please let us know if you need anything.

Dwayne, Valerie, and Trevor Schwartz - March 28, 2018 at 12:00 AM