



## Bernard Franklin Laughlin

September 14, 1940 - June 8, 2017

Bernard Franklin Laughlin was born on Saturday, September 14, 1940 in Corning, New York to Bernard F. and Stella Campbell Laughlin, the oldest of six children. He departed this life on Thursday, June 8, 2017, surrounded by his loving family. He was educated in the Public School System of New York. He was lovingly known as “Bernie”, “Reds” or “Pappy”. Bernie joined the United States Marines in 1957 and was honorably discharged in 1960. In 1975, Bernie relocated to Pennsylvania, where he started driving truck, a skill he learned in the military. In 1979, Bernie and June were married, and since they loved the area, they moved to Laurel, Delaware.

He worked as a truck driver for Kaye Construction in Seaford, Delaware; Chambers Motors in Bridgeville, Delaware; Kroger’s Salvage in Laurel, Delaware, and most recently, Melvin Joseph in Millsboro, Delaware.

Bernie enjoyed fishing, crabbing, shooting pool and relaxing, drinking a beer and rooting for the Buffalo Bills football team.

Preceding Bernie in death, in addition to his parents, were one sister and one grandson, Matthew. He leaves to cherish his memory his loving wife June, with whom her celebrated of 38 years of marriage, on May 26; five children: David (Gail) Peterman of Benton, Pennsylvania, Linda (John) Danner of Benton Pennsylvania; Vicki (Tim) Swank of Laurel, Delaware; Chris Bradley (Jeff Absher) of Laurel, Delaware and Mike (Lisa) Peterman of Delmar, Delaware; 11 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren. Surviving siblings are: Bob (Mary Lou) Laughlin of Corning, New York; Danny, Sandy and

Debbie, all of New York. Services will be private. To offer words of comfort and to sign the guest book visit [www.benniesmithfuneralhome.com](http://www.benniesmithfuneralhome.com). Professional services entrusted to Bennie Smith Funeral Home, Seaford.

To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of Bernard Franklin Laughlin, please visit our Heartfelt Sympathies Store.

# Tribute Wall

HF

“ My deepest condolences for the loss of your dear loved one. While nothing will completely take away your grief by meditating on Gods promises found in the Bible you can find real hope and the strength to keep going. My family and I have found the scripture at Isaiah 25:8 to be especially comforting. Here it promises that God "will swallow up death forever and the Sovereign Lord Jehovah will wipe away the tears from all faces."

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**H. Fields** - June 17, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your loved one. Death is an enemy to us all, but Almighty God is going to remove death, sickness and pain in the near future. The bible also gives us hope of being reunited with those ones we have loss in death. At Acts 24:15 it tells us that the dead will be resurrected. Please take comfort in the bible during your time of grief, and may the God of all comfort grant your entire family peace.

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**Doretha Sampson** - June 13, 2017 at 12:00 AM

GR

“ Please accept my condolences for the loss of your loved one. At difficult times like this we realize how precious and fragile life can surely be (James 4:14). As your family and friends comfort one another, as a neighbor I pray you also be comforted by the sure hope the Bible gives us for all those who have died (2 Corinthians 1:3, 4). As recorded in the Bible, Jesus promised that one day he was going to bring back to life all those who have died (John 5:28, 29). That is why he encourages all of us to exercise faith in that promise, the life that Jesus gave in our behalf, and be blessed as we see that promise fulfilled (John 11:25; 3:16). The Bible makes it clear that death is an "enemy" not only to mankind, but also to Almighty God (1 Corinthians 15:26). That is also why God promises to remove forever all the pain, suffering, wickedness, and death that mankind has had to endure for thousands of years (Revelation 21:3-5; Psalm 37:10,11,29). At that time soon, as the Bible indicates, both the living and the dead who are brought back to life will enjoy life, everlasting life, as God originally purposed for this earth thousands of years ago in the Garden of Eden (Genesis 1:28; Jeremiah 29:11). What a glorious day that will be for mankind who are doing what God asks of us, namely that we simply do His Will, not our own (1 John 2:17; 5:3; Proverbs 3:5,6). Please read and meditate on all these scriptures in your Bible and be comforted and blessed (Psalm 1:1-3; John 17:3). Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

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**George Ragusa** - June 13, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ To the Laughlin family. I am so sorry for your loss. The Bible says at Psalms 18:2 That Jehovah can rescue you in your time of need.  
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**Lynn B. Conley** - June 13, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ I am sorry for your loss, please accept my sincere condolences. I hope the family will find some comfort and strength in Jesus promise of the earthly resurrection(Acts 24:15)and the renewed Paradise earth, where death will be no more and no family will mourn the death of a loved one.-Revelation 21:3,4;John 5:28,29;Luke 23:43. may GOD(Psalms 83:18)grant you peace and comfort now, during this grievous time.-Matthew 5:4.

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**M Jones** - June 13, 2017 at 12:00 AM