



William J. Fairbanks

March 20, 2024

William J. Fairbanks (Billy), 80 of Foster, passed away on March 20th at home surrounded by his loving family. He was the beloved husband of Linda (Rambone) Fairbanks for 56 years. William was 1 of 12 children born in Providence to the late Ralph and Lavina (Garvey) Fairbanks. Billy was an extremely hard worker and was employed at General Dynamics for 30 years. He was a talented woodworker and in his spare time he enjoyed antique cars, gardening, and spending time with family. He was an avid collector, which gave him the nickname “Junkman.” He was a kind, quiet, gentle man who loved his dear cat Pebbles. William is survived by his brother, Robert (Bob) Fairbanks of East Greenwich, Charles Fairbanks of Florida, and Beverly Maltese of Florida. He is predeceased by siblings, Ralph Fairbanks, Eleanor Fairbanks, Hope Murphy, Eugene Fairbanks, Jane Moran, Marguerite (Peggy) Hirst, Raymond Fairbanks, and Francis Fairbanks. He was also the cherished Uncle and Great Uncle to many nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of his Life will be held Wednesday March 27th at 11:00 a.m. in the Chapel at Highland Memorial Park Cemetery, Johnston. In lieu of flowers the family requests donations to the NRI 4H Fair, 60 Old Danielson Pike, Foster RI 02825.

Cemetery Details

Highland Memorial Park Cemetery

Rhode Island Avenue
Johnston, RI 02919

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAR 27. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Uncle Billy was a very quiet but kind man. I appreciated getting to know him. He will be missed. Love ,Shane*

Shane Murphy - March 27, 2024 at 07:50 AM

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“ *Linda so sorry for your loss. ❤️*

cheryl Olney Alexander - March 25, 2024 at 10:53 AM

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“ *A brave soul that took me for a driving lesson in a red convertible in the Foster country roads. Always kept calm Cindy*

Cindy Lessard - March 24, 2024 at 10:32 AM