

## John A. Finks

February 9, 1947 - April 30, 2021

John A. Finks, age 74, of Bradley passed away Friday, April 30, 2021 at his home. He was born February 9, 1947 in Lincoln, NE, the son of Lloyd & Virginia (Foster) Finks. John married Mary L. Adler on March 5, 1973 at Holy Name Church in Omaha, NE.

John retired from CSL Behring after working over 40 years in the International Regulatory Affairs Department. He also retired from the Kankakee County Courthouse, where he worked as a bailiff. John enjoyed doing yardwork and going to Burger King for a senior coffee.

He was a parishioner of St. Patrick Catholic Church in Kankakee.

Surviving are his wife, Mary Finks of Bradley; three daughters, Jennie Finks of Kankakee, Becky Finks of Kankakee, and Beth Finks of Bradley; four grandchildren, Mary, Landon, Evan, and Kenna Grace; one sister, Linda Henningsen of Lincoln, NE; one brother and sister-in-law, Donald & Treva Finks of CO; and his best pal, Frankie Finks. John is preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Jean Clark.

A memorial visitation will be held from 4-8 p.m. Friday, May 7, 2021 at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home in Kankakee. A memorial Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 8, 2021 at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Kankakee. Please wear a mask and practice social distancing guidelines. Rev. John Peeters will celebrate the Mass.

Memorials may be made to Uplifted Care or St. Patrick Catholic Church.



# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

MAY 7. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Kankakee - Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home  
1480 W. Court St.  
Kankakee, IL 60901  
(815) 932-1214  
cgfuneral@gmail.com

## Memorial Mass

MAY 8. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Patrick Catholic Church  
428 S. Indiana  
Kankakee, IL 60901  
(815) 932-6716

# Tribute Wall

SH

“ *Broke my heart to hear of John’s passing. My condolences to you Mary and your family. I have so many wonderful memories of working with John for so many years. One thing is certain, there is a lot of laughter in heaven now as John shares his jokes and stories. God bless you all.*

*Shannon Hull*

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**Shannon Hull** - May 10, 2021 at 03:21 PM

DB

“ *Mary and family, Patty and I am so sorry to hear of Johns passing. Lots of good memories and laughs. Heaven is a better place today. Dan and Patty Barry*

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**Daniel Barry** - May 08, 2021 at 05:30 PM

JK

“ *Joe Kregor lit a candle in memory of John A. Finks*



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**Joe Kregor** - May 07, 2021 at 10:32 PM

MW

“ *Our sincerest condolences to Mary and the girls on John's passing. I always appreciated John's support and service at St. Patrick School as well as his wonderful sense of humor. Please know that you are in our prayers during this most difficult time. Michael & Virginia Wayer*

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**MICHAEL WAYER** - May 07, 2021 at 02:51 PM

AR

“ I first met John in November 1998 in King of Prussia at the then Headquarters of Centeon in King of Prussia, PA. After a week in KoP, I moved on to Kankakee to make the most of being in the USA. Two great events in two weeks: meeting the John Finks and experiencing Kankakee for the very first time. I must admit, the former event was the greater of the two.

Over the following years, John and I had regular contact via our work and met several times either in the USA or Europe, depending on which way our work was blowing us. A change in my role took me away from Regulatory Affairs and with it, away from John. However, I did manage to catch up with John in April 2015 (the last time) when I was in town for a CSL meeting.

When planning my trips to Kankakee, John often joked that I should book my hotel early, since it was tractor pulling season or something similar. With that advice, I secured my room at the Holiday Inn adjacent to the mall on Ken Hayes Dr. several times. John did also provide useful advice over the years and was always a pleasure to work with. He never became annoyed or impatient with me, even though I tried. I did miss John in the years after my job change and will again now. I will always have good memories of the times we spent together.

My condolences go to Mary, the family and all of John's friends and clos colleagues.

Andrew

Marburg, Germany

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Andrew Robinson - May 07, 2021 at 08:11 AM

JZ

“ Jennifer & Meadow Zacharias lit a candle in memory of John A. Finks



Jennifer & Meadow Zacharias - May 06, 2021 at 06:25 PM

AF

“ Many fond memories of working with John at CSL Behring for 25+ years. He was smart, funny, and knew all there is to know about Albumin filings around the world! May he rest in eternal peace. Art Fox

Art Fox - May 06, 2021 at 03:24 PM

LH

“ 1 file added to the album Life Tributes



Linda L Henningsen - May 05, 2021 at 02:03 PM

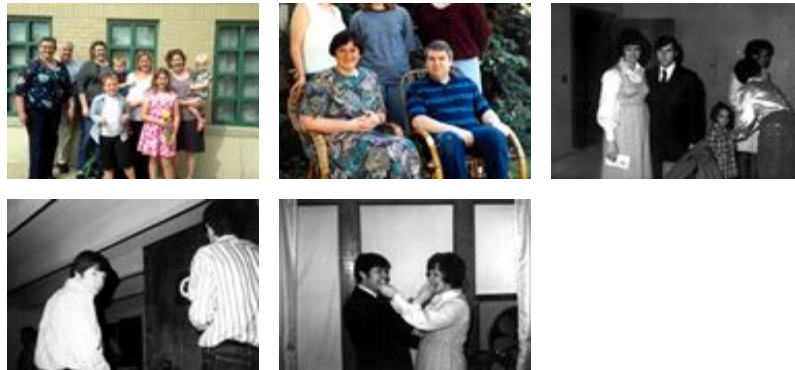
DJ

“ Mary, I'm so sorry for your loss, my prayers will be with your entire family!

Deb Jamros - May 05, 2021 at 01:10 PM



“ 79 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes** - May 05, 2021 at 01:08 PM

KM

“ *Heartfelt thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*  
-Kathy Murphy

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**Kathy Murphy** - May 05, 2021 at 12:16 PM

JB

“ *My deepest sympathy to the family of John. I worked with him for many years when I was the Quality Manager in Indianapolis at the CSL Plasma Logistics Center. Of course John had the responsibility to make sure we did everything right, so we spoke often and problem solved together. Even though our work was often stressful, John was always kind and funny. I really appreciate the comment made by Julie Uribe on here: He will make sure heaven stays great. Amen!*

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**Jackie Benham** - May 05, 2021 at 11:59 AM

JU

“ *Mary and girls. We are sending our deepest sympathy to you. We remember John as being so kind and friendly always. You are in our prayers. He will make sure heaven stays great.*



Julie Uribe - May 05, 2021 at 09:13 AM

CC

“ *Like Brothers and sisters do!*



carey clark - May 04, 2021 at 04:29 PM

DM

*Dearest Mary, I am so saddened to hear of John's passing.*

Dominic Macaluso - May 05, 2021 at 09:00 AM

CC

“ *No Big Deal!!!*



carey clark - May 04, 2021 at 04:21 PM

DI

“ *I enjoyed working with John for years. Wonderful man! My condolences to his family and loved ones! Godspeed John*



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**Don Konemann li** - May 04, 2021 at 03:51 PM

DM

*Dearest Mary, I am so saddened to hear of John's passing.*

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**Dominic Macaluso** - May 05, 2021 at 09:44 AM

MM

“ *Mark Mantarian lit a candle in memory of John A. Finks*



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**Mark Mantarian** - May 04, 2021 at 03:41 PM

MP

“ *Dear Finks Family,*

*My deepest sympathies for your loss. I have fond memories of working with John at CSL Behring. Such a kind man, with a welcome sense of humor.*

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**Maureen Powell** - May 04, 2021 at 12:05 PM

DJ

“ With fond memories of your husband, he was the esteemed griller of the best burgers and sausages at the Annual July 4th celebration at the Leshens. Always a smile and easy going, and a truly nice man and gentleman. Our thoughts are with you and your family. May God hold you in His Grace.

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**Diane Siaroff and Bert Jacobson** - May 03, 2021 at 09:50 PM

TE

“ Tim And Connie Eaker lit a candle in memory of John A. Finks



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**Tim and Connie Eaker** - May 03, 2021 at 04:16 PM