



## Bernard Burm

April 15, 2022

Bernard George Burm, a lifetime resident of Wallaceburg/Chatham Township passed away peacefully on April 15, 2022, at Chatham-Kent Health Alliance. Born in July of 1932, he was in his 90th year. Beloved husband of 49+ years to Mary (Soudant) Burm. Beloved son of the late Rudolph Burm and Bertha (VanDamme) Burm. Brother of deceased sisters Catherine VanDommelon and Ann Burm, and brother-in-law to the late Gordon VanDommelon.

Bernard is survived by his children, Brian (Sherri) Burm, Bev (Jeff) Beselaere, Kim (Duane) Wreaks. Proud Grampie to 6 grandchildren, Nathan Beselaere, Brandan Beselaere, Joshua Burm, Alexa Burm, Samantha Wreaks and Liam Wreaks. Bernard also enjoyed his four great grandchildren, Mackenzie Beselaere, Cameron Beselaere, Benjamin Beselaere and Riley Burm.

Bernard is sadly missed by his surviving sisters Betty (Maurice) Seys, Lorraine (Richard) Van Damme and Margaret (Henry) Renders.

Brother-in-law to Mary's siblings, Henny (George) Franssen (deceased), Nellie (Joe) Janosek(deceased), Nettie DeMaat(surviving), Paul (Eda) Soudant (surviving), MaryLou (Richard) Depelsmaeker (surviving), Leo Soudant (deceased), Anna Soudant(surviving), John Demaat (deceased).

Bernard was a farmer through and through. He always loved the outdoors and

the beauty of nature. He had a real soft spot for animals as well, even as much of a nuisance as the raccoons in the barn could be, he liked them and thought they had cute faces. He even brought 3 or 4 home in a box one time to show the grandkids. He fed the bunnies and the birds and anything else that would come around. He loved the blue water along the St. Clair Parkway; took that drive often to see the swans, geese and ducks. Everyone who knew our dad was aware of his wealth of information on many topics - Mr. book of knowledge!

Bernard was a 4th Degree Knight with the Wallaceburg Branch of the Knights of Columbus.

Bernard's 3 children would like to greatly thank Chatham-Kent VON. This organization was absolutely wonderful to our dad. They worked with him on an ongoing basis over the last few years. Hats off to all those who cared for him, but a special mention goes out to Sonny and to Virginia. God bless you all and Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

We would like to express our gratitude and heartfelt thank you for the kindness, care and love shown to our dad by all the Staff and Administration at the Oaks Retirement Residence in Wallaceburg. Our dad really enjoyed his 3+ years living there.

As well, we wish to acknowledge the entire Health Team at CKHA-Chatham Campus, for the wonderful care and attention given to our Dad. Thank you very much.

Lastly, thank you to Fr. Gerard Bedard for the visits to our Dad over the last 3 years and for coming to anoint him and give him the final sacraments. God bless you Father.

The Funeral Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated at Holy Family Church on Wednesday, April 20 at 11 AM. Interment to follow at Riverview Cemetery. Reservations for the reception to follow may be made by clicking here > <https://signup.com/go/BqEPLQE> < HAYCOCK-CAVANAGH FUNERAL HOME, 409 Nelson Street in Wallaceburg entrusted with arrangements. If desired, donations to Chatham-Kent VON may be left at the funeral home 519.627.3231. Shared stories and tributes may be left on his/her tribute wall at [www.CavanaghFuneralHome.ca](http://www.CavanaghFuneralHome.ca)

# Tribute Wall



“ Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Bernard Burm



Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral Home - April 20, 2022 at 11:32 AM



“ Bernard Burm

January 29, 2023 at 11:37 PM



“ Our Sincere Condolences to All The Family



Brian and Elaine Shaw - May 02, 2022 at 11:15 PM



“ Prayers going your way. Sorry on the loss of your father.

Margaret Aarssen - May 02, 2022 at 09:12 PM

 Kellie  
Watson

“ *Brian, Sherri and Family,*

*We are so sorry for your loss.*

*Rob and Kellie Watson*

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**Kellie Watson** - April 21, 2022 at 05:21 PM

MT

“ *So sorry to hear of Bernard's passing. My  
heartfelt Condolences.*



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**Marian Turner** - April 20, 2022 at 11:48 AM



“ *94 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral Home** - April 20, 2022 at 10:56 AM

WV

“ *Wim Vangheluwe lit a candle in memory of Bernard Burm*



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**Wim Vangheluwe** - April 20, 2022 at 10:21 AM

MC

“ *Mary & Paul Caron lit a candle in memory of Bernard Burm*



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**Mary & Paul Caron** - April 20, 2022 at 08:00 AM

MV

“ *We send our sincere condolences to the Burm family. I phone him sometimes and we talk in Dutch he enjoy this always. Mart Verbrugge Hengstdijk Holland*

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**Mart Verbrugge** - April 20, 2022 at 03:58 AM

TM

“ *Brian, Bev, Kim and all the Burm Family, we are so sorry to hear of your dad's passing. Our hearts, thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

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**Ted & Mary Lou MInten** - April 19, 2022 at 07:06 PM



“ *Doreen Bogaart lit a candle in memory of Bernard Burm*



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**Doreen Bogaart** - April 19, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ *Dear Brian and family,*

*So sorry to hear about the passing of your Dad. We always enjoyed a visit with him whenever we ran into him and he always had a smile.*

*Glen and Ila Dawson*

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**glen and ila dawson** - April 19, 2022 at 05:25 PM



“ *Brian, Bev and Kim, please accept my deepest condolences on the passing of Bernie. I have lots of fond memory's, laugh's and hangovers when in your dad's company. When it came to knowledge, Uncle Bernie could compete with Goggle. I will miss him. Harvey, Susan, Paige and Ryan Handsor.*



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**Susan Harvey Handsor** - April 19, 2022 at 05:24 PM

CM

“ *Caroline MacDonald lit a candle in memory of Bernard Burm*



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**Caroline MacDonald** - April 19, 2022 at 05:18 PM

BK

“ *To a great neighbour and cousin with many remembering adventures in our life time. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this most difficult time. Louis and Germaine*



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**Brenda Konecny** - April 19, 2022 at 04:07 PM

JK

“ *Keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers. Janet Kempe*

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**Janet Kempe** - April 19, 2022 at 02:10 PM

JR

“ *We send our sincere condolences to the Burm family. It was always great to visit with cousin Bernard, and my cousin Ron while they were at the Oaks. We always had a lot of laughs. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Bernard. Joyce and Tom Rooney*



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**Joyce and Tom Rooney** - April 19, 2022 at 12:09 PM

JM

“ *Brian, Bev and Kim and the Burm family Sorry to hear the passing of your dad our prayers and thoughts are with you in this difficult time. R.I.P Bernard*



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**John and. Deb Mann** - April 19, 2022 at 11:40 AM

GV

“ *Our sincere condolences to the family.*

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**George & Jean VanDamme** - April 19, 2022 at 10:36 AM

CD

“ *Cathy Van Damme lit a candle in memory of Bernard Burm*



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**Cathy Van Damme** - April 19, 2022 at 10:32 AM

LJ

“ *Always a great guy to talk to at the Oaks whenever we would visit. And a good friend to our brother Ron when he was there. Our sympathy to all his family.*

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**Larry and Kathi Janssens** - April 19, 2022 at 08:13 AM

LH

“ Brian, Bev, Kim and all of the Burm family We are so sorry to hear of Bernie's passing. We had some great visits years ago when he was out driving with Mary and many more recently at the Oaks over the last few years He was always Uncle Bernie to us and the kids Thinking of you all during this difficult time  
Lorrie & Stuart Handsor & family

Lorrie Handsor - April 18, 2022 at 11:27 PM

LC

“ Larry And Wendy Cornelis lit a candle in memory of Bernard Burm



Larry and Wendy Cornelis - April 18, 2022 at 08:11 PM

TH

“ We are so sorry to hear about the loss of our dear friend Bernard. It was a pleasure having known him and being able to include him as part of our family for so many years. We have many fond memories. Bernard was a good hearted man and will be sorely missed! Sending our condolences to the family, you are in our thoughts and prayers.  
Becky and Nick Hunter



The Hunters - April 18, 2022 at 07:46 PM

LJ

“ Sorry to Bernie's family for your loss. We had many pleasant chats at 'Timmies' around the coffee table.

Lyle Jardine - April 18, 2022 at 03:50 PM

KV

“ Kyle And Shenee VanDamme lit a candle in memory of Bernard Burm



Kyle and Shenee VanDamme - April 18, 2022 at 02:02 PM

MJ

“ Sincere condolences to the entire family. R.I.P. Bernard

Marlene Judson - April 18, 2022 at 01:40 PM

RA

“ We are very sorry for the loss of Your dad and grandpa and great grandpa!! Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this difficult time. Sincerely. Rita and Gary Authier sending HUGS !!



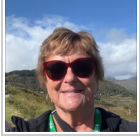
Rita and Gary Authier - April 18, 2022 at 12:37 PM

JB

“ My deepest sympathy to the family of Bernard. Treasure all the great Memories you have of him.

Joan Bogaert

Joan Bogaert - April 18, 2022 at 10:45 AM



“ *Christine Roe lit a candle in memory of Bernard Burm*



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**Christine Roe** - April 18, 2022 at 10:13 AM

BK

“ *Our thoughts and prayers for Bev, Brian and Kim. RIP Bernard*



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**Barb and Dave Kearney** - April 18, 2022 at 09:01 AM

TR

“ *With sympathy Brian & Sherri and family, please accept our sincere condolences. Sending hugs and prayers to you all through this sad time.*  
*Terry & Ric*

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**Terry & Ric** - April 18, 2022 at 08:39 AM

AF

“ *Allan & Tammy Van Damme And Family lit a candle in memory of Bernard Burm*



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**Allan & Tammy Van Damme and family** - April 18, 2022 at 08:18 AM

SC

“ We are so sorry to hear about Bernard's passing. He was a great , friendly neighbour, always willing to stop and talk. Our thoughts are with all of you at this most difficult time.



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**Sherry & Dave Crowe** - April 18, 2022 at 07:49 AM

AS

“ Agnes (Van Damme) Soulard lit a candle in memory of Bernard Burm



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**Agnes (Van Damme) Soulard** - April 17, 2022 at 10:36 PM

PB

“ Rest in peace, Bernard. I always enjoyed our association being members of the 4th Degree, Knights of Columbus.

*Philip J. Bezaire, PGK, PFN, Knights of Columbus.*

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**Philip Bezaire** - April 17, 2022 at 04:06 PM

DD

“ Our sincere condolences to the Burm Families.



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**Dan and Cheryl Dehens** - April 17, 2022 at 03:07 PM

JD

“ Our deepest sympathy to Bev & Jeff, Brian & Sherri and Kim & Duane. He will be missed by all but he left a living legacy in his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. Cherish the memories. With love and prayers. Joanne & Con

Joanne Van Damme - April 17, 2022 at 01:38 PM



“ Deepest Sympathies Alexa ( Fiesta Baby) for the loss of your Grandfather and to all your family we send our thoughts and prayers. Synthia ( Fiesta Momma ) and Jayce Trembley.



Synthia Trembley - April 17, 2022 at 12:52 PM

LD

“ 4 files added to the album Memories Album



Laurel Van Dommelen - April 17, 2022 at 12:40 PM

SE

“ I’m so sorry to hear of Bernard’s passing. May your memories give you comfort during this difficult time.

Sue (Powers) Elliott

Sue Elliott - April 17, 2022 at 12:16 PM



MB

“ Brian and Mary Bogaert lit a candle in memory of Bernard Burm

Mary Bogaert - April 17, 2022 at 11:59 AM



DC

“ I came to know your dad during the years that he was my mom’s companion after my dad’s passing. He was very kind hearted, gracious, thoughtful, and always welcome in my home for family dinners, to which he always graciously brought a bottle of wine. He truly did have a wealth of knowledge as he could converse on just about any subject. It is comforting to know that he is in the presence of our great God. I pray that God wraps his arms around your entire family and gives you peace in knowing where your dad’s spirit is. I’m sure he is visiting my mom right now and they have much to talk about. God bless❤️

Diana Cornelis - April 17, 2022 at 11:41 AM



JD

“ *Our heartfelt condolences to all your family on Bernard's passing. Be assured of our prayers of support for you as you grieve Bernard's passing.*  
*Cathie & John Van Dommelen*

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**John Van Dommelen** - April 17, 2022 at 11:23 AM

JM

“ *Jean McCarthy lit a candle in memory of Bernard Burn*



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**Jean McCarthy** - April 17, 2022 at 11:14 AM

LW

“ *Wayne and Laurie Van Couter*



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**Laurie And Wayne** - April 17, 2022 at 10:47 AM

TE

“ *Sending condolences to all of Bernard's family and friends. Rest in Peace, Bernard.*

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**Tim and Lisa English** - April 17, 2022 at 10:40 AM

AM

“ *Ann-Marie Meloche lit a candle in memory of Bernard Burm*



Ann-Marie Meloche - April 17, 2022 at 10:35 AM

JN

“ *Julie Nemeth lit a candle in memory of Bernard Burm*



Julie nemeth - April 17, 2022 at 10:19 AM

GV

“ *Our sincere sympathy goes to Bernard's entire family and friends. He was a great guy and will be missed. When visiting with Bernard you were always guaranteed lots of laughs! RIP Bernard.*



Gary and Darlene Vynckier - April 17, 2022 at 10:14 AM

TP

“ *Teenie Pettinger sent a virtual gift in memory of Bernard Burm*



Teenie Pettinger - April 17, 2022 at 10:00 AM

TP

*So very sorry for your loss, he was a wonderful man*

Teenie Pettinger - April 17, 2022 at 10:01 AM

JD

“ *JOHN CLARK And Deb lit a candle in memory of Bernard Burm*



JOHN CLARK and Deb - April 17, 2022 at 09:40 AM

GH

“ *Garbutt Hyde lit a candle in memory of Bernard Burm*



Garbutt Hyde - April 17, 2022 at 09:34 AM

JM

“ *My sympathy to the entire Burm family. Bernard was a client who always had a wealth of questions. He was eager to understand the why, how and when of everything being proposed. May he Rest In Peace.*

*JohnMathany*

John Mathany - April 17, 2022 at 09:30 AM

CB

“ *Our deepest sympathies Brian and Sherri and the rest of your family. He will be greatly missed by all. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Chris/Aileen Boersma - April 17, 2022 at 08:27 AM

JV

“ My deepest condolences Brian, Bev, Kim and Families. Your Dad and Aunt Bertha gave me the nickname "Wooly" at a very young age because of my blonde curls. They were the only two people that called me that name and never my given name. Even as I got grew into adulthood and into my 40's, I always remained Wooly to him. It was endearing.

Julie VanDamme - April 17, 2022 at 08:19 AM

CF

“ Heartfelt sympathies and prayers are with the Burm family.



Clarence Cindy Feddes - April 17, 2022 at 07:46 AM

DH

“ So sorry for your loss Betty and family.  
Dave and Vicky Hess

Dave and Vicky Hess - April 17, 2022 at 07:40 AM

LP

“ Leo & Sharon Punnewaert lit a candle in memory of Bernard Burm



Leo & Sharon Punnewaert - April 17, 2022 at 07:30 AM

RL

“ Condolences to the family. Rick and I are sorry to hear of the loss of your father Bev. May God comfort you, Jeff and the family at this time and find peace in knowing he is with the Lord.

Rick and Janet Liesemer - April 17, 2022 at 07:28 AM

GC

“ Gary And Allison Campbell lit a candle in memory of Bernard Burm



Gary and Allison Campbell - April 17, 2022 at 06:54 AM

DA

“ Dennis And Annmarie Alexander lit a candle in memory of Bernard Burm



Dennis and Annmarie Alexander - April 17, 2022 at 06:39 AM

BW

“ So sorry to hear of Bernard`s passing. I met Bernard at country style ,when it was there.Had many laughs with him. God Bless may Bernard rest in peace.

Bernie Winters - April 16, 2022 at 11:32 PM

PS

“ *Peter Seys lit a candle in memory of Bernard Burm*



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**Peter Seys** - April 16, 2022 at 11:15 PM

EJ

“ *Eric & Sandra Johnston sent a virtual gift in memory of Bernard Burm*



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**Eric & Sandra Johnston** - April 16, 2022 at 10:20 PM

MH

“ *Merle And Shelly Hazzard lit a candle in memory of Bernard Burm*



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**Merle and Shelly Hazzard** - April 16, 2022 at 08:57 PM

JE

“ *Sending our sincere condolences to the family. Keeping you in our thoughts and prayers.*  
*Jean & Dave Elliott*



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**Jean and Dave Elliott** - April 16, 2022 at 08:35 PM

BV

“ *BarrieLynn & Dave VanLeatham lit a candle in memory of Bernard Burm*



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**BarrieLynn & Dave VanLeatham** - April 16, 2022 at 08:12 PM

RY

“ *Richard & Joanne Young lit a candle in memory of Bernard Burm*



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**Richard & Joanne Young** - April 16, 2022 at 07:16 PM

HW

“ *My family has known Bernard, Mary and Family my whole life. He always called me Chewy not sure why, but we would laugh at that name. Bernard always had an intrigue for life and to share his depth of knowledge. I remember as a kid while my dad would be playing cards he would share things we really had no knowledge of as this was before Google. My favorite stories was of him stopping by to visit my Dad with a few beers and they would talk about life. God Bless to the Family and best regards from the White's....*

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**Hugh White** - April 16, 2022 at 06:35 PM

HW

“ *Hugh White lit a candle in memory of Bernard Burm*



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**Hugh White** - April 16, 2022 at 06:24 PM

NA

“ *So very sorry for your loss*



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**Norma Authier(VanHaecke)** - April 16, 2022 at 06:07 PM

GF

“ *Gerry Flynn lit a candle in memory of Bernard Burm*



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**Gerry Flynn** - April 16, 2022 at 05:27 PM