



Bert John Beihoff

October 13, 1931 - November 3, 2014

Bert John Beihoff of Naples passed on to eternal life with The Lord on November 3, 2014. Those surviving Bert and blessed to be part of Bert's family include his wife, Mary T. Beihoff (Terry), and their children, Bert Jr., Jeffrey and Robert, cherished grandchildren, Brooke and Brandon, as well as his brother, Daniel, and his wife, Elizabeth. Bert is now reunited with his parents, Norbert and Desiree.

Bert lived a life devoted to the Catholic faith, including significant contributions to the establishment of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Naples. Bert was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and attended Marquette University High School and Marquette University. Bert continued a family legacy started by his father's establishment of Beihoff Music Corporation in 1926. The company made significant contributions to the musical instrument industry, including the innovation of rental programs for students in school bands as well as working with famed orchestras including Lawrence Welk. As President of Beihoff Music Corporation for many years, he was able to promote access to musical instruments and music education in a manner that impacted countless lives.

Bert's involvement with music also blessed him with the opportunity to meet his wife, Terry, when she was a choral director in Milwaukee. Their shared values as well as their mutual love of music became the cornerstones of their

52 year marriage.

One of Bert's favorite activities was golfing with his close friends. He was a long time member of Blue Mound Country Club in Wisconsin and a current member of Royal Poinciana in Naples. Bert was also an accomplished tennis player for Marquette University and participated in other competitions. He devoted himself to teaching golf and tennis to his children from an early age to provide them with a source of lifelong enjoyment.

Bert found great joy helping others no matter the circumstance and did so with unique charm and humor. He lived a life of love and giving and did so with an optimism and intelligence that was evident and reassuring to everyone he encountered. He will always be remembered by his family, friends and the many others whose lives he touched.

A Memorial Mass to celebrate his life will be held Tuesday, November 11, 2014 at 11:00 AM at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church 625 111th Ave. No., Naples, FL. A reception for family and friends will follow in the Parish Life Center.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society Southern Florida Chapter 200 S. Park Road Suite 140 Hollywood, FL 33021 or online at www.lls.org

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

St. John the Evangelist Memorial Garden

625 111th Ave. No.
Naples, FL 34108

Previous Events

Memorial Mass

NOV 11. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church
625 111th Avenue North
Naples, FL 34108

Tribute Wall



“ Bert John Beihoff

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ Got my first saxophone from Beihoff's. Also had an older sax renovated. Always treated well...
My sincerest condolences to the Beihoff family. By the way, my Grandson is now playing that first sax!
Craig Pelnar

Craig Pelnar - November 16, 2014 at 05:02 PM



“ I first met Bert when I formed The White House of Music in 1961. His personality was contagious and he became more of a friend than a competitor. I will miss his smile. Jerry White.

Jerry White - November 15, 2014 at 08:31 AM



“ Beihoff music store was a big part of my life back in 56' and 57'. I walked from 55th and North to the store every Saturday, to listen to, and purchase one 45 rpm. The store helped me develop a life long love of music.
My sympathy to your family.
B. Berg Kerwin

bonnie Kerwin - November 10, 2014 at 07:56 PM



“ *Splendid Orchids was purchased for the family of Bert John Beihoff.*



November 10, 2014 at 04:18 PM



“ *Sandy Mason lit a candle in memory of Bert John Beihoff*



Sandy Mason - November 09, 2014 at 05:12 PM



“ *Dear Dan, Liz and Beihoff Family,
Very sorry for your loss. Bert was always a gentleman or gentle man who treated everyone with kindness and respect. At times in my life when paths have crossed with your family I have always been the recipient of kindness, generosity and support. My thoughts are with you.
Bruce Krajcir, Milwaukee, Wis.*

Bruce Krajcir - November 09, 2014 at 06:21 AM

DA

“ My name is Dick Anderson. I worked as a "buffing boy" cleaning instruments and working behind the counter from 1968 to 1970 when I attended Washington High School. I also gave drum lessons. Bert, Dan, Mr. Beihoff and Pat treated us very well and gave us invaluable experience dealing with the public, renting instruments, selling instruments, taking inventory, handling money...everything. I was very shy before I started there and the job got me out of that shell in a big way. It was an excellent life experience. The \$1.05 an hour was good money for a high school kid back then as well!!

I graduated from the University of Wisconsin--Stevens Point with a forestry degree and had a 40 year career with the U.S. Forest Service. I played drums in a variety of bands from country, big band jazz, Dixieland jazz, and rock and roll. I am now living in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. I have 2 kids and 3 grandsons.

Please allow me to offer my sincere condolences to the family members left behind.

Sincerely....Dick Anderson...govdrum52@hotmail.com.

Dick Anderson - November 08, 2014 at 10:08 PM

RB

“ Bert was a generous, friendly, summertime neighbor of ours in Wisconsin. He always had a kind word to say. We will miss him. Our condolences to Terry and the family.
Dick and Lynn Boulay

Richard Boulay - November 08, 2014 at 10:27 AM

MP

Dear Terry and Family;

I have many fond memories of working with Norbert, Bert and Danny at Beihoff Music back in the 1960's. As a young high school student the experience of working with them provided a wonderful learning opportunity to use my mind in problem solving while working with customers to increase my communications skills. Bert was always helpful in providing guidance on how to develop my skills. When I entered music school they offered me a place to give private lessons to dozens of students. I truly believe that the interest all three Beihoff men demonstrated helped me to become a very successful high school band director and later in my career head the K-12 music department in the School District of Waukesha. Both Debbie and I offer our condolences and sympathy to the Beihoff family. Please know Bert made a difference in my life and I was better person for knowing him.

Michael and Debbie Poytinger - Waukesha, WI

Michael Poytinger - November 09, 2014 at 10:22 AM