



John Robert Benesch

January 1, 1925 - July 17, 2020

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Torrington office. After retiring, he fulfilled a life-long desire to serve at the St. Joseph's Children's Home, later going to work with DSI and running the DSI Thrift Store for several years. In addition to his work, John enjoyed golfing, fishing, hunting and particularly playing bridge and the Rock Club. John is survived by his wife, LuAnne, of Torrington; daughters Barbara (Joe) Kunsman, Green River, and Ellen (John) Kesler) Columbia, Mo.; a brother, Fred Benesch, Octavia; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren, with another on the way. John's faith was always very important to him. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. He is sorely missed.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ellen Kesler lit a candle in memory of John Robert Benesch*



Ellen Kesler - August 20, 2020 at 09:33 AM



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Posted Jul 29, 2020

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Ellen Kesler - August 20, 2020 at 09:32 AM

SY

“*John and LouAnn were the kindest most caring and loving parents to my dearest friend Ellen it was so wonderful to be welcomed into their home and family every week of my childhood from grade school through High School. After dinner in the den we always felt the need to bug John while he tried to get quiet time. When we wanted to float down the Canal and LouAnn “very smartly” didn't want us to, John would say go have fun you'll be fine. Ha!!! I think LouAnn knew better but John had our backs. Too many memories to list them all but my fondest memory will always be that he was and is just a fine wonderfully kind soul. LouAnn and John treated me like a daughter and I love them both so much and am so proud to be Ellen's friend ❤️❤️❤️ All my love to you all during this difficult times.*

Sandy Young - August 18, 2020 at 09:27 PM

WA

“*I worked with John many years ago at St. Joe's. I'll always remember him as a kind and gentle soul. The kids at that time had nick named him "Grandpa". My thoughts and prayers are with you and your families during this difficult time.*

Wendy Applegarth - July 31, 2020 at 04:17 PM

KE

“ I was sorry to learn of Johns death. I will always remember him as a kind and gentle man who loved to play bridge and played it well.

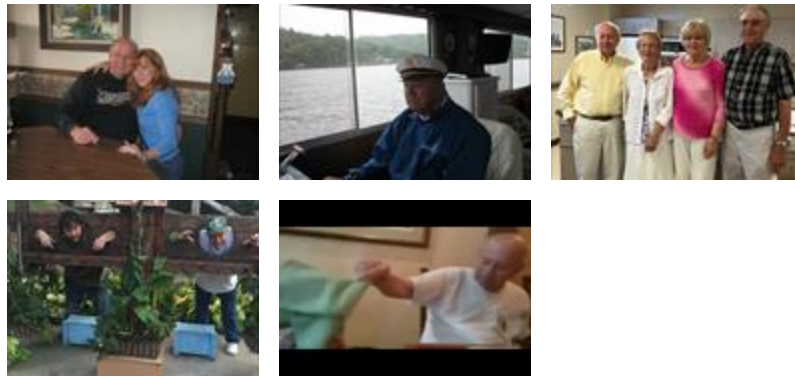
Our sincere condolences, Karin & Howard Eisenhauer



Karin Eisenhauer - July 29, 2020 at 10:52 AM

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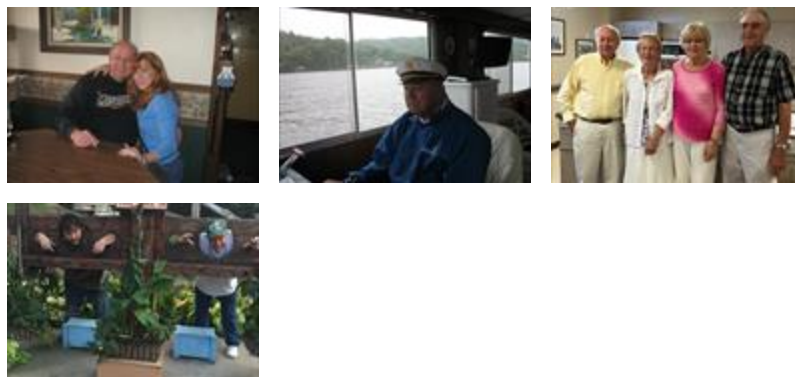
“ 5 files added to the album John



Ellen Marie Kesler - July 27, 2020 at 10:58 AM

EK

“ 4 files added to the album my dad



Ellen Marie Kesler - July 27, 2020 at 10:56 AM

RD

“ 1 file added to the album John



Ray DeWitt - July 21, 2020 at 10:25 PM

BS

“ Bonnie Sorrick lit a candle in memory of John Robert Benesch



Bonnie Sorrick - July 21, 2020 at 06:06 PM

RN

“ So sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Royce and Carolyn Nelson - July 21, 2020 at 09:30 AM

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Royce and Carolyn Nelson - July 21, 2020 at 09:27 AM

RD

“ LuAnne, I will remember and cherish the memories of John. He was a wonderful person. I will miss him a great deal.

Ray DeWitt - July 20, 2020 at 07:30 PM