



## John "Jack" Garriety Bies D.D.S.

July 12, 1931 - May 20, 2017

Dateline Jasper, Indiana

John Garriety Bies, D.D.S. ("Jack"), age 85, of Jasper, Indiana, passed away at 8:00pm, Saturday, May 20, 2017, at Northwood Retirement Community in Jasper surrounded by loved ones. Jack was born in Montgomery, Indiana on July 12, 1931 to Garriety and Leona (Butcher) Bies. Jack was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Lucille Caroline (Gutgsell) Bies, with whom he was joined in holy matrimony at Holy Family Catholic Church in Jasper, on February 7, 1953. He was also preceded in death by his parents and sister, Martha Lee Fox.

Jack grew up in Washington, Indiana, attended Xavier University, where he played baseball. He subsequently joined the U.S. Navy serving as a radiology technician in the port of Norfolk, VA. He returned to Indiana University for dental training, eventually settling back in Lucy's hometown of Jasper to raise his family. For Jack, dentistry was a public health calling, and he took pride in his profession and keeping up with the latest research.

Jack is survived by: his son John Bies (Evansville, Indiana); son Doug Bies and his wife, Cindi Bies (Jasper); daughter Christine and her husband, Todd Curtis (Woodstock, Illinois); son Kurt Bies (Jasper); and daughter Angela Bies and her husband Toby Egan (Potomac, Maryland); fifteen grandchildren; and

four great-children. Jack felt very fortunate to marry into Lucy's large and loving family, which combined with his grandchildren brought him great happiness.

Jack enjoyed golf, loved dogs, and adored baseball, coaching Pony and Little League for many years. He long tended a backyard garden, holding a running debate over the merits of the beefsteak versus the big boy tomato. He also raised roses, everyday in season bringing Lucy in a new rose when he came home for lunch. A devout Catholic, Jack attended Mass daily at St. Joseph's Church in Jasper and volunteered for Perpetual Adoration. Jack possessed an impishly dry sense of humor, and sported a daily crossword puzzle (in ink!) habit. A voracious reader and student of current events, he was always game to debate politics. His quick wit and tenderness somehow went hand-in-hand; he will be sorely missed.

A Memorial Mass for Jack Bies will be held at 11:00 a.m. Friday, May 26, 2017, in St. Joseph Catholic Church in Jasper, with entombment in Fairview Cemetery Mausoleum to follow at a later date. The American Legion Post #147 will conduct Military Rites.

Friends may visit together from 9:00 a.m. until the 11:00 a.m. Mass time in St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Joseph's Catholic Church or to Good Samaritan Society – Northwood Retirement Community, Jasper, Indiana. Condolences may be made at [www.becherkluesner.com](http://www.becherkluesner.com). Jack's family is deeply grateful to his physician, Marc Campbell, the loving staff at Good Samaritan Nursing home, and the many family and friends who faithfully visited him and Lucy at Good Sam over the years.

# Cemetery Details

## Fairview Cemetery Mausoleum

1020 Kundek Street  
Jasper, IN 47546

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 26. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St Joseph Catholic Church  
1029 Kundek Street  
Jasper, IN 47546

## Mass of Christian Burial

MAY 26. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Joseph Catholic Church  
1029 Kundek Street  
Jasper, IN

# Tribute Wall



“ *John "Jack" Garriety Bies D.D.S.*

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January 01, 2023 at 10:54 AM



“ *Kids,  
We did not hear about Jack until the birthday card I sent him was returned from the home today. We are so sorry for your loss. We would have come if we had known.  
Barb and Gary Bennett, Evansville.*

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**Barbara Bennett** - July 24, 2017 at 04:35 PM



“ *My condolences to the Bies family. I knew Jack for many years but never so well as during our years together in a Cursillo group reunion. Martha and I have many fond memories of times with Lucy and Jack. We long admired their deep faith and trust that they rest now in the peace of Christ. May the Lord give you every consolation.*

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**Bill Beckman** - May 27, 2017 at 06:08 PM



“ *Ever so saddened to hear of the passing of Uncle Jack .... I remember Uncle Jack as a very warm and caring person, who always had a ready smile and a kind greeting each and every time I was in Jasper, visiting with our family. My heart goes out to your family.  
Love, Janet Bernard*

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**Janet Bernard** - May 25, 2017 at 03:42 PM

KL

“ My deepest condolences to you and your family. My prayers are with you all.

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**Kisha Logan** - May 25, 2017 at 02:52 PM

TE

“ To the family - We can't begin to imagine what you are going through but please know you are all in our thoughts and prayers.

*With deepest sympathy,*

*Tammy and Eli Elsner*

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**Tammy Elsner** - May 25, 2017 at 12:34 PM

MS

“ I am very sorry for your family's loss. I know he has a granddaughter that he must have been very proud of!

*Best,*

*Melanie Schwed*

*Aniela's World Studies Teacher*

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**Melanie Schwed** - May 25, 2017 at 07:39 AM

GH

“ My condolences and deepest sympathy to your family. With my office across the hall from Dr. Bies's room, I enjoyed our frequent visits. I will miss his smile, humor and our conversations covering everything from politics to sports. Prayers continued.

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**Glenna Hanselman** - May 24, 2017 at 03:46 PM

VA

“ Our deepest and sincere sympathy goes out to your family at the passing of your father, grandfather, and great-grandfather.

*Vincennes University Alumni and Foundation Staff*

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**VU Alumni** - May 24, 2017 at 10:15 AM

BF

“ Please accept our sympathy and condolences.

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**Brian & Joan Knies and Family** - May 24, 2017 at 09:48 AM

GB

“ Genie Brown lit a candle in memory of John "Jack" Garriety Bies D.D.S.



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**Genie Brown** - May 24, 2017 at 09:29 AM

LF

“ To all the Bies kids. I am sorry that you are going through this so close together, but it shows the love they had for each other. Stay strong and stick together. Love your cousin Linda.



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**Linda Fox** - May 23, 2017 at 08:54 PM

SD

“ Kurt and family. I always enjoyed chatting with your dad at wrestling meets. I liked his wit and humor. Steve Dills

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**Steve Dills** - May 23, 2017 at 11:48 AM

CJ

“ Cynthia Jaent lit a candle in memory of John "Jack" Garriety Bies D.D.S.



Cynthia Jaent - May 23, 2017 at 10:09 AM

ES

“ Ed Schultheis lit a candle in memory of John "Jack" Garriety Bies D.D.S.



Ed Schultheis - May 23, 2017 at 08:12 AM

MK

“ Mike KELLer lit a candle in memory of John "Jack" Garriety Bies D.D.S.



Mike KELLer - May 23, 2017 at 07:36 AM

BM

“ I am a CNA @ Good Sam & will greatly miss Dr. Bies. He always had a dry wit & loved to talk to us all. May God be with him, Lucy, & their family. --Barb Miller

Barbara E. Miller - May 22, 2017 at 07:43 PM

LW

“ *Doc was our family dentist for many years and also a good friend. I often wondered if he had me come in just to visit as he didn't charge for the visit. I took him the best sweet corn in the county every summer. I'm going to miss him.*

*Lew Weisman*

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**Luther E Weisman** - May 22, 2017 at 05:51 PM

CH

“ *My deepest sympathy to the entire family. May your dad, grandfather, great grandfather rest in peace with his beautiful wife, Lucy. My continued prayers for all.*



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**Chris Hinkle** - May 22, 2017 at 05:31 PM