



Robert Louis Buchheister

October 21, 1922 - June 26, 2025

In Loving Memory of Robert Louis Buchheister

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Robert Louis Buchheister (Buck), a beloved father, grandfather, great-grandfather, and proud American, passed away peacefully on June 26, 2025, at the age of 102.

Born on October 21, 1922, Buck lived a life defined by service, dedication, and love for family. A proud veteran of World War II, he served honorably in the Army Air Corps and stayed a devoted member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars for over 80 years. He was a long-time parish member of the St. Mary's Queen of Creation Catholic Church and of the Knights of Columbus, embodying the values of faith, charity, and community.

On November 24th, 1949, he married the love of his life, Joan Folske and together they raised three children. He was proud of the home he built, brick by brick. Buck built the home that would become the heart of his life and legacy—a place filled with laughter, love, and the steady hum of his latest woodworking or carving project. His passion for working with his hands was matched only by his love for fishing and playing cards, often surrounded by family and friends.

Buck dedicated 42 years of his professional life as a Chief Draftsman in Engineering at BorgWarner, where his skill, reliability, and integrity earned him the respect of colleagues and friends alike.

He is survived by his three loving children: Robert (Fran) Buchheister, Susan (Donald) Van Tiem, Karen (Charles) Schneider; cherished grandchildren, Amy Buchheister (Paul), Brett Buchheister (Heidi), Ericka Schneider-Barnes, Ken Schneider (Autumn), Mike Schneider (Nicole), Lisa Minjoe (Mike), Gail Robb (Jim), Laura Ottenbacher (Craig) and fifteen adored great-grandchildren; Brandon, Kayla, Bella, Brooke, Jimmy, Mitchell, Jillian, Mary, Cassidy, Kacy, Myles, Marcie, Nathan, McKinley, and Lucas.

Buck was predeceased by his beloved wife of over 60 years, Joan, his siblings, Bernard (Ione) Trepte, Dorothy (Walter) Campau, and his hero grandson, Jason Schneider, who gave his life in the line of duty.

Buck's life was a gift to all who knew him, and his memory will forever remain in the hearts of those he touched.

Buck was a man of quiet strength, steadfast values, and profound devotion. He was a gifted storyteller, rich in detail and memory. His warmth and kindness made him a friend to all who met him. He is dearly loved and will be forever missed.

A celebration of Buck's life will be held with honor and gratitude for the remarkable legacy he leaves behind.

In lieu of flowers, please remember Buck by donating to Rainbow Connection or to Father Solanus Mission Association.

Open Visitation 3:00 - 8:00 pm

VFW Review 6:00 pm

Rosary 7:00 pm

Memory sharing after rosary

Funeral Thursday, July 3

St. Mary Queen of Creation Church, New Baltimore, Mi

Visitation 10:00 am

Funeral Mass 10:30 am

Luncheon VFW 12:00 pm

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 2. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wasik Funeral Home - New Baltimore
35259-23 Mile Road
New Baltimore, MI 48047
(586) 725-0177
<https://www.gendernalikfh.com/>

Military Honors

JUL 2. 6:00 PM (ET)

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Rosary

JUL 2. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JG

“ Buck was my dear friend for over 10 years. We played cards, worked puzzles, went out to lunch and just talked. He was the best card player ever!!!!!!I'll miss him so much 🙏

joyce golpe - July 02, 2025 at 12:26 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Robert Louis Buchheister.



June 30, 2025 at 04:49 PM

DV

“ What else ca you say about Buck, he was such an inspiration to everyone around him. He loved being a Knight and we had so many great conversations and stories from him at the 6th Pew Irregulars Mass and breakfast every week. He is in Heaven now with Frank and Larry and all the other daily mass goers that have passed. Fair winds and following seas my fellow veteran. We have the watch now.



Dale Valliere - June 28, 2025 at 04:00 PM

JG

My friend and companion for the last 10 years. Best card player ever. always kind. Never heard him raise his voice. Gentle and kind to me always. I will miss him more than I could ever express

joyce golpe - June 29, 2025 at 08:58 AM

SD

Joyce the day you started playing cards made me the happiest daughter alive. Not only did it save me from playing cards but it gave me peace of mind that he was getting the best care ever.

Sue - daughter - June 29, 2025 at 11:41 PM

DW

Buck. We in your subdivision will miss you on your electric chair visits as you rolled through our sub visiting and chatting and checking to make sure our flags were flying high. Buck you will be missed big time. You were our inspiration. God bless. Keep the flags flying in Heaven.

Deanna Wolschon. - June 30, 2025 at 07:39 PM

VG

*Buck. You were a very special man. You lived a good life. I certainly enjoyed seeing you when you visited Karen and Chuck in Maryland many times. The card games especially "O Shit " were the best. I know you are with your lovely wife and our hero Jay celebrating eternal life in Heaven. We will see you later. God bless
Vicky Goodson, friend and grandma to your great grandson Brandon Schneider*

Vicky Goodson - July 01, 2025 at 08:41 AM