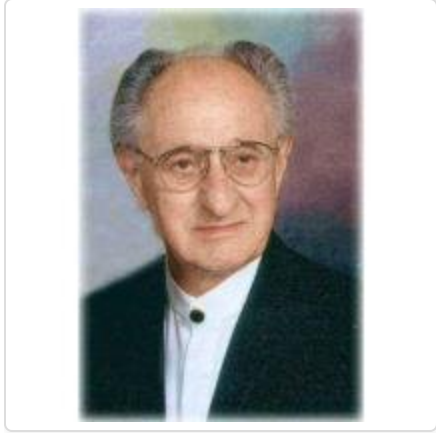




Frank Stark

August 12, 1917 - April 3, 2011

Frank T. Stark, 93, Bismarck, ND, left us on Sunday, April 3, 2011. A memorial service will be held at 2:00 PM on Thursday, April 14, in the chapel of Good Samaritan Society, 318 Versailles Avenue, Bismarck, with Rev. Marv Winstryg officiating. Following his memorial service, a champagne reception in celebration of Frank's life will begin at 4:00 PM at Bismarck Arts & Galleries, 422 East Front Avenue. Frank was born in Portal, ND, on August 12, 1917, to Philip and Veronica Heck, the 11th of 12 children. He left farming to work in Minot prior to enlisting in the Army's 29th Infantry Division during early 1944. In that capacity he landed at Omaha Beach on D-Day, then fought across the European Theatre including St. Lo, Battle of the Bulge, Aachen, and to the outskirts of Berlin. Returning to North Dakota, he spotted his future bride on the stairs at Montgomery Wards saying "I'm going to marry that beautiful lady". Frank wed Ruth Neuhardt on November 19, 1947, while employed at Richmond Bootery. Frank later purchased an ownership interest in Richmond's, home to Johansen, Penaljo, Florsheim, Allen Edmonds, and other fine footwear lines. Frank was proudest of his family, business ownership, and prized yellow "Merc 76", in that order. Even recently, one could spot Frank driving about town in his spotless vehicle with its "GIRLSNI" license plate. Frank also enjoyed gardening: spring pansies, summer tomatoes, and year-round begonias, kalanchoes, and miniature yellow roses. Frank is survived by his wife of 63 years, Ruth, and his daughters, Terri Tom Stockert currently of St. Cloud, MN, and Peggy Bryan Sampson San Diego,

CA. In lieu of flowers Frank has asked donations be made to His family's sincerest thanks to St. Alexius Hospice team, Drs. Tanous, Hughes, and Gaunzon, Good Samaritan, and Missouri Slope care staff. We love that you referred to him as a "cool old guy".

Tribute Wall

TE

“Dad, I love you. Thank you for continuing to look out for Mom and Peggy. I questioned what I perceived as your WWII mistrust and abhorrence for government, but I know fully understand

Terri - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MH

“I worked at Richmonds Bootery while in high school and college in the 50"s. Frank and the gang at Richmonds were an important part of my life. Frank was like a father and friend to me. Mike Halloran

Mike Halloran - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RA

“Dear Ruth, Terri & Peggy: Frank was one of our very first regulars at The Bistró, always so friendly and polite. Mrs. Stark is the exact same, no wonder they were such a beautiful couple; and with such wonderful family! God Bless.

Ramiro - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BD

“Dear Terri- Sorry to hear of your father's death. I enjoyed those visits to your home in high school; your parents were always so gracious. Bernard Dooley

Bernard Dooley - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SN

“*Ruth, Peggy and Terri, I have fond memories of my childhood trips to visit family in Bismarck and visiting Uncle Frank, Aunt Ruth, and cousins Peggy and Terri. He was always a sophisticated guy. My thoughts are with you. Cousin, Sherri Haller*

Sherri Haller Neuhardt - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TG

“*On behalf of the Leo Gustin and Roy Neuhardt families, we wish to express our deepest sympathy at Uncle Frank's passing. Our thoughts, prayers and love to Ruth, Terri, Peggy and families. I will never forget Frank at Richmond's Bootery "Home of Good Shoes in Bismarck!", at the Cathedral and the home on West Avenue B. A classy, classy guy!*

Tom & Lori Gustin - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BS

“*Dear Aunt Ruth, Cousins Terri & Peggy Uncle Frank was a wonder always upbeat and caring man. I always enjoyed his stories about the old days mixed with all currnet events about Ruth and the girls. I had lunch last fall with Uncle Frank and he stated he didnt want to go to a nursing home as it was full of old people. He was young at heart and enjoyed every day. God bless Uncle Frank and his wonerful family. Cousin Bob*

bob stark - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RC

“*Ruth, You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers in your loss. Neva and Ron Carlisle*

Ron and Neva Carlisle - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ I remember Frank well when he was at Richmond's. He was always so friendly and kind. My sympathy to his family. Sylvia Normann Helsper

Sylvia Helsper - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ Dear Ruth, Terri & Peggy - May you be comforted by knowing your father is in a better place. He really was a "cool old guy". Our prayers and condolences to you and your family. The Palmers

Liz Palmer & Family - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ Terri and Family, So sorry to hear about your father's passing. He had many wonderful years with such a lovely family. You are in my prayers, In friendship, Cheryl Moe-Monson

Cheryl Moe-Monson - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ Dear Mrs. Stark, Terri, & Peggy, I saw in the paper about Mr. Stark & I just wanted to offer my condolences to you all. Its hard to express the words when you have lost a loved one but I just wanted you to know that I was thinking about all of you & that you are in my thoughts & prayers. Most Sincerely, Royann Hulm Beckman

Royann Beckman - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Dear Ruth, Terri, Peggy and family, So very sorry to hear that Frank passed away. I will always remember him as a 'classy' man. I'm sure he will be missed by all who knew him. Sorry that I won't be able to attend his memorial service. I will continue to keep you in my thoughts and prayers! I'm sure that after his long and full life, you will be celebrating his life even though it is sad to see him go. God's blessings to you and again, my deepest sympathy!! Barb Salzer

Barb Salzer - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SE

“ Sorry to hear about Uncle Frank. Just let you know you are in my thoughts an prayers. sharon.

sharon envik - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM