

BERNARD SAFTNER

In Loving Memory Celebrating the Life of Bernard Saftner

It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of Bernard Saftner, age 74, who left us on Friday, April 18, 2025, at an assisted-living facility. He was a gentle and kind person who was loved by many.

Bernie is survived by his siblings, Annette (Donald) Cash of Indianapolis and Michael of Canonsburg. He

was preceded in death by his father, Richard; his mother, Frances; and his former wife, Carol.

Bernie was born on February 20, 1951, in Pittsburgh, PA. After graduating from high school, he attended the University of Dayton and graduated with a bachelor's degree in English. While there he was in the novitiate to become a brother in the Society of Mary. After graduating from college, he briefly attended Mount St. Mary's Seminary to train for the priesthood but subsequently discerned out of the seminary.

Bernie graduated from the University of Pittsburgh with a master's degree in information science. He then worked at Alcoa for his entire professional career in the Information Technology field and in the Human Resources department. He retired at the age of 55.

Bernie had many hobbies and interests. He traveled throughout the world, visiting places in the US, South America, Europe, northern Africa and Asia. He also wrote a book called *Punctuated Equilibrium* featuring the novel *Proepistrepomeniad* which he self-published. As a volunteer he helped people who came from different countries improve their use of the English language. He had other interests such as listening to heavy metal music, watching Bollywood movies, watching football or studying Greek philosophy. He supported various humanitarian charities.

A private celebration will be held with friends and family. Memorial gifts may be made to Feeding America, www.feedingamerica.org, Tax ID Number: 36-3673599.



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