



## Dr. John Nathan Bicknell M.D.

March 6, 1925 - December 3, 2018

Dr. John N. Bicknell died peacefully on December 3, 2018 at age, 93. John was preceded in death by his loving wife of 59 years, Marilyn Virginia Bicknell, and is survived by their children, Daniel, Judith Woodard (Thomas), David, and Nancy Anderson (James), his grandchildren, Ryan Woodard and Leah Vance, and four great grandchildren.

Born March 6, 1925 in Toronto, Canada to Nathan Johnson Bicknell and Virginia Margaret Carpenter, he moved to Detroit, MI at the age of six months. He had one sister, Katherine Krainbrink, who predeceased him. John graduated from MacKenzie High School, Detroit, MI in 1942. He was proud to have been the first member of his church, Littlefield Presbyterian, to become an Eagle Scout. He was a WWII veteran, serving with the U.S. Army Medical Corps stationed in England. During training, he met his future wife Marilyn, while stationed at Ft. Campbell, KY.

He received a Doctor of Medicine (MD) degree from the University of Michigan in 1955 and completed his residency in Psychiatry at the University of Michigan Hospital in 1960. John was the Director of the Huron Valley Child Guidance Clinic from 1960 to 1990, and maintained a private psychiatric practice for adults and children during this time. He was especially fond of working with children and making a difference in their lives.

John loved animals, nature, and gardening, teaching these joys to his children and grandchildren. He enjoyed feeding the birds and got great satisfaction out of watching the deer and turkeys at his country home in Ann Arbor. John loved to travel and took his family on many vacations, visiting every state in the U.S, except Hawaii and Oregon, and went to Alaska with Marilyn by RV. Florida was a favorite destination for he and Marilyn, taking in a number of Tigers' spring training games in Lakeland over the years. In summer, John enjoyed fishing and took his family on many boat trips.

He was a true maize-and-blue Wolverines fan, and a loyal fan of the Tigers and Lions. For recreation he played golf, pool and croquet and took great pride in his skill at ping-pong. In quiet moments you could find him relaxing in his sunroom, where he enjoyed reading and

soaking up the sun.

He will always be with us.

# Cemetery

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# Events

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**Washtenong Memorial Park**

3771 Whitmore Lake Road

Ann Arbor, MI, 48105

**DEC**

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**Visitation**

12:00PM - 01:00PM

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Liberty Road Chapel

3767 W. Liberty Road, Ann Arbor, MI, US, 48103

**DEC**

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**Funeral Service**

01:00PM

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Liberty Road Chapel

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# Comments

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“ My fondest memory was Dr. Bicknell laying on the coach with his head in his wife's lap happy as a lark watching National Geographic TV shows featuring many animals and wildlife , beautiful nature scenes and related science scenes of the weather etc. or his intensity laughing and yelling about a Football game that was very exciting mostly Univ of Mich Big Ten Games as I recall. He had great enthusiasm and warmth..... RIP Much love and comfort to the Bicknell family. Susan Johnson Turner

**Susan Johnson Turner** - December 12, 2018 at 10:56 PM

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“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Dr. John Nathan Bicknell M.D..



December 10, 2018 at 08:48 AM

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“ Cousin Joe and Nadyne Bicknell purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Dr. John Nathan Bicknell M.D..



**Cousin Joe and Nadyne Bicknell** - December 05, 2018 at 05:54 PM