



# Richard Backstein

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**D**ecatur-Richard E. 'Dick' Backstein, 79, of Decatur, passed away at 11 a.m. Monday June 14, 2010 at McKinley Court with his family by his side.

Memorial services to celebrate Dick's life will be at a later date. Interment will be in Graceland Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Homeward Bound. Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home is assisting the family with these arrangements. Online condolences and memories may be shared at [www.gracelandfairlawn.com](http://www.gracelandfairlawn.com).

Dick was born January 5, 1931 in Decatur, the son of George L. and Eva (Morthland) Bachstein. He was previously employed at Firestone retiring after twenty years of service. He enjoyed riding his Harley and being around people. He was a member of Life Foursquare Church. He married Sandra Knott December 30, 1987.

He leaves behind his wife Sandra, sons; George and wife Cindy of Springfield, Martin John of Decatur, Richard, Jr. and wife Cay of Decatur, and Doug and wife Cheryl of Springfield, daughter; Sharon Bachstein of California, brother; William E. Bachstein of Decatur, seven grandchildren, and eleven great-grandchildren.

He was reunited in heaven with his parents, brother; George, Jr., and a grandchild.

The family would like to give a special thanks to the nurses and staff especially Kathy with DMH Home Hospice for all of their compassionate, loving care of cricket.



## Tribute Wall

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DG

**Debra Gensler** posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with you the family of Dick Backstein. Probably one of the strongest, most honest people I have ever met in my life. The memory of him will always be with me. He did a lot to make me a better person. And I am so grateful I had the chance to tell him that. The man never met a stranger and always had an opinion about everything. He was my friend, and he will be missed.

June 19 at 12:18 PM

BC

**Bruce Chance** posted:

I'm so sorry for your loss. Dick was a good man and hardworker at Firestone. I worked with Dick the entire time he worked at Firestone. I worked in Final Inspection also with Dick. He will be missed by everyone who worked with Dick at Firestone. Dick was a very likeable guy and was so much fun to work with. I'm so sorry I cannot be at his funeral but you and his memory will be in my prayers. God Bless All Of You. Sincerely Bruce Chance 1019 West Poplar Taylorville, Illinois 62568.

June 18 at 11:06 AM

JL

**Jack D. Lamont** posted:

I worked at the HOTROCK (Firestone) and always enjoyed visiting with Dick. Seems he always had a grin on his face and a story to share with you. I'm sure he is riding high in the saddle on the best of everything. He will be missed by many. I am sorry for the family's loss.

June 18 at 9:42 AM

KI

**Katherine Ingraham** posted:

I have never met Richard but I am honored to supervise his grand-daughter Casey Backstein while she is currently interning at Taylorville Correctional Center. My condolences to all of your family at this time of sadness. Katherine Ingraham

June 17 at 7:41 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Richard by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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