



Rev. John Raymond Barkman, Sr.

May 10, 1930 - June 29, 2020

Passed away peacefully at Lyngblomsten Care Center. He went to be with his Lord on Monday, June 29, 2020 at the age of 90.

John was preceded in death by his wife, Merlyn (Johnsen) Barkman.

He is lovingly remembered by his children, John Jr. (Shari), Rebecca (Kevin) Pond, Sarah Brown and Tim (Lisa); 9 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

He lived a life of service, ministering through the Christian & Missionary Allinace. He was a church planter in the US, Australia and New Zealand.

Special thanks to Lyngblomsten Care Center where he lived out his last days.

Graveside service Friday, July 10th at 2:30 PM at ELMHURST CEMETERY;
1510 Dale St N, St Paul, MN 55117.

Tribute Wall

BS

“ John and his wife were wonderful ambassadors for the CMA Church here in Manurewa NZ and were great friends of mine. Merlyn shared a number of recipes with me, but I would love to have more of her recipes if they are available < .bruce,shanks@xtra.co.nz >

Bruce Shanks - September 25, 2025 at 04:15 PM

BS

Sorry the e-mail is bruce.shanks@xtra.co.nz

Bruce Shanks - September 25, 2025 at 04:17 PM

IF

“ My father was a good friend of John's from his days at the Rio Grande Bible Institute in Edinburg, Texas. We are so sorry to hear of John's homegoing but know he is rejoicing with his Saviour and Merlyn. My father has tried to call him in the last months as we did not realize he had passed. John was a wonderful person who dearly loved his Lord and ministry. My father has many wonderful memories of their early friendship and whenever my parents visited me in MN, we would get together with them. This is Pam Friesen (daughter of Ike) writing this message. May god continue to fill your hearts with comfort.

Isaac Friesen - November 15, 2020 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ My condolences to John and Merles family in the USA and Australia from the Evans family inc Don (dec) and Isabel (dec). I have fond memories of John and Merle's arrival at Sunnybank a southern suburb of Brisbane. It wasn't long before we heard the thunderous voice of John preaching "Jesus the Saviour, Sanctifier, Healer and Coming King" and singing songs like "Jesus only is our message" that was in the mid 1980s. I so appreciated his teaching of the Word. Thankyou so much for planting a C&MA church in our suburb.



Judy Evans - October 11, 2020 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ Rev. Bark man left a great mark on my life, as a teenager in the mid sixties at the Christian Missionary Alliance Church. Through the years I have thought of this man and his family many times and I know without a doubt God has placed him in a special place in Glory.
My prayers and thoughts are with John, Rebecca, Sarah and Tim and families.

Curtis

Curtis E. Moore - August 01, 2020 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ To the Barkman Family - I was so sorry to hear of John's passing. I remember John and Merl from Manurewa CMA and am very grateful for the support they gave me. John was a giant of a Christian. His devotion to our Lord and his teaching was exceptional. His reward is without question.
Please accept my sympathy at this time.

David Wilson - July 28, 2020 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ *Pastor Barkman baptized me back in 1994. I still remember his smiles and his big hands. thanks for your service to CACC!*



Benjamin Cheng - July 07, 2020 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ *We are so very sorry for your loss. He was a lovely man and served the Lord well. We were blessed by his faithful ministry to our dad. May you be comforted with God's perfect peace. Our love and prayers are with you all.*

Tim and Jan (Eumurian) Johnson

Jan & Tim Johnson - July 06, 2020 at 12:00 AM

FS

“ *I have many fond memories of Butch! Our condolences to the family.*

Floyd Siebert - July 06, 2020 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ *My deepest sympathy to the family of Reverend John Raymond Barkman, Sr. He has helped many and leaves a great legacy in his children and their families.*

Carol Lugg - July 06, 2020 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ *Pastor Barkman was the Pastor of our church CACC in Auckland. He was my beloved brother in Christ, my teacher with inspiration, my mentor in the ministry, and my model of Christ-like disciple. I was very privileged to be his interpreter for him at his sermons and bible studies. I am sure that he is with Christ in the Heaven now, joint with Merl.*

David Wu

David Wu - July 06, 2020 at 12:00 AM

PR

“ *Love and thanks from John and Merles Australian family*

Paul & Pamela Richards - July 05, 2020 at 12:00 AM

SE

“ *So sorry for your loss. Pastor Barkman was a special soul to our Englund family. God bless his memory today & always. Prayers, Sharon Englund family*

Sheila Forst/Sharon Englund - July 05, 2020 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ *I want to extend my condolences, and just say what a blessing your father was to me. I enjoyed receiving his letters, even after we had returned from missionary service. My prayers for all of the family.*

Ernest Buller - July 05, 2020 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ *Condolences to the Berkman family! Prayers to his family. He was a Great person!*



Ray Benson - July 04, 2020 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ *Pastor John & Merl served our church here in Grygla for many years. We were so blessed to have them in our church & community. They were shining examples of God's love to all who knew them. We hope that the family can take comfort in knowing that Pastor John is now leading the singing up in heaven.*
Tim & Pam Mostrom

Tim & Pam Mostrom - July 03, 2020 at 12:00 AM

JO

“ *My sympathy to your family. Your Dad and Mom meant a great deal to my parents, John and Doris Smeby, of Grygla. I also enjoyed attending church there whenever we were visiting. One specific thing ... We were there most years on Easter Sunday. Whenever I hear the traditional Easter hymns, "He Arose" or "Up from the Grave He Arose" - I hear them in Pastor Barkman's voice. He was great! Blessings to you.*

JoAnn Orpen - July 03, 2020 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ *Please accept our heartfelt sympathy for the loss of John.
We pray God will give you strength and courage through this difficult
time.*

*We are praying that you take comfort in the Lord's love and know
that you are never alone.*

Please accept our sincere condolences.

The Lyngblomsten Spiritual Care department.

Pastor Kelley & Pastor Bill

Assistant Marilee

marilee - July 02, 2020 at 12:00 AM