



## Andrew Derwicki

December 31, 1919 - May 10, 2008

Andrew Derwicki beloved husband of Barbara Bobbie Dee for 48 years, passed away on Saturday, May 10, 2008. He was a man's man, an all around great guy with a keen sense of humor, who could also charm the ladies when the spirit moved him. Gentle natured, he was a great lover of animals and wildlife. Born in Southhampton, MA to Katherine Rudnecki and John Derwicki thirty nine years ago, his favorite year as he facetiously would tell anyone who would ask his age. A country boy who became a workaholic at an early age, tending the farm at sunrise, attending school and returning home to continue his chores. After graduating, he enrolled in trade school. Any free time, he would repair cars and use them accordingly. A motor cycle gave him pleasure. While serving three years in the Navy, he became a mechanical engineer, servicing government airplanes, which eventually, when discharged, led him and a friend to own and operate a plane. Relocating to CT, he began working at the Hartford Times in his engineering profession and remained there for 20 memorable years. It was there he met his future wife Barbara. Another 20 years he worked at Tex Tech in Cromwell. On his weekends he often worked at various newspapers throughout New England and New York, building and servicing conveyors for the presses, etc. A workaholic of the highest plateau. A man of great vitality. He has left a void that can never be filled, but his loving memory will live forever in our hearts. May God treat him kindly. I'm sure He'll find work for him to do. In addition to his wife, his survivors are his sister Stella Wiernasz of Easthampton, MA and Kissimmee,

FL, sister-in-law Marion Derwicki, niece-in-law Christine DuBois, friends Joseph Miller, Eva Fonseca and family, May Fyffe and Olga Walker. He was predeceased by a brother Jack Derwicki and sisters Alice Derwicki Baye and Anne Drummond. His Mass of Christian Burial will be on Thursday, May 15 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 872 Farmington Ave. West Hartford. Burial will be private. Friends may call on Wednesday, May 14 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the Molloy Funeral Home, 906 Farmington Ave. West Hartford. In lieu of flowers, donations if desired, may be sent to Day Break Adult Center, 290 Farmington Ave., Plainville, CT 06062 and the Humane Society 701 Russell Rd. Newington, CT 06111 all in Andy's memory. Online expressions of sympathy may be made at [www.molloyfuneralhome.com](http://www.molloyfuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ Our deepest sympathy to Bobbie and all of those who had the honor of knowing Andy. Uncle Andy was one special man. His zest for life sprinkled with a wonderful sense of humor only added to this magnificent man's character. He will be missed by all and a lifetime of wonderful memories will help to comfort each one of us in this time of silence.

*You are Home, Uncle Andy ...May God Bless you.##imported-begin##Jean & Ken McComb##imported-end##*

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May 16, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ From all the guys at *â??The Shopâ??* we will sincerely miss Andy. A great friend, hard worker, inveterate tinkerer, fellow beer drinker. We all have fond memories of working with Andy off and on for over the last 25 years. He had *â??retiredâ??* but always wanted to come over, tell stories, and find something to fix. He had a million ideas. He lives on in the memories of the guys at Plas-tec who each have their own *â??Andy storiesâ??* to tell.

*We valued his knowledge, personality and comradeship. We mourn his passing but celebrate a life well lived.##imported-begin##Tim Cyr##imported-end##*

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May 14, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Uncle Andy, your body was made of granite, your heart of gold, your smile of rainbows and your mind of silver. We will miss you, but I know your working in an Angel's garage with a warm beer in hand and a smile on your face. Love, Greg, Cece, Jessie and Doug.##imported-begin##Greg Drummond##imported-end##

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May 13, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Bobbi:

*Please accept our sincerest condolences. Our family was so fond of Andy. Some of my best childhood memories were when "uncle Andy" came to visit. When he did he didn't have the slightest chance of sleeping late. We were all over him. He would always wake with a huge smile that would light up the room. Andy and our Dad Al were more like brothers than brothers-in-law. You could see that they really enjoyed each other's company. Dad always had something that needed Andy's mechanical touch. Whatever it was, Andy would fix it. You could see that he loved the challenge and derived great joy from explaining the problem and how he solved it. Uncle Andy set a great example for all on how to work hard and simply enjoy life. Anyone who knew Andy, loved him. We will all miss him.##imported-begin##Bill Drummond##imported-end##*

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May 13, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ We are very sadden of the passing of your beloved husband, may God give strength and embrace you with his loving kindness now and allways, our prayers are with you and your family. Love allways Olga&Merline##imported-begin##Merline Furze-Olga Walker##imported-end##

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May 13, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Barbara,*  
*My deepest and sincerest sympathy is with you and your family. A kiss on the cheek and a hug would always make Andy's day, so he would say! He always entered Day-Break with a huge smile and a bag of goodies, whether it was notepads from a recent doctor's visit or bags of candy to hand out. Andy had many friends, was loved by all, and will be greatly missed.##imported-begin##Nicole Cantu##imported-end##*

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May 13, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Andy,*  
*You were always my favorite uncle. May you always have a engine to work on and a beer in your hand. Hope you and Dad are enjoying a deli sandwich and a cold one on a cloud waiting for the rest of us to join you. Bobbi, our condolences and blessings.*  
*Al Lonny and Sandi##imported-begin##Al Lonny & Sandi Drummond##imported-end##*

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May 12, 2008 at 12:00 AM