



## Cosimo J. Bosco

September 4, 2015

BOSCO, Cosimo J., 88, of West Hartford, CT, beloved husband of 59 years to Edwina L. Bosco, died, Friday, September 4, 2015, at St. Mary Home in West Hartford. He left this world holding the hand of his best friend and the love of his life. Born in Enfield, son of the late Dominic and Lucia (Cimino) Bosco, he had lived in West Hartford since 1963. He is survived by his six devoted children and their families: Paul and Diane Bosco of Concord, MA; Carol and Tim Dymek, DMD, of Gardner, MA; Mary and Andrew Clarke of West Hartford, CT; John Bosco of Wakefield, MA; Patricia and Dan O'Malley of West Hartford, CT; Clare and John McAndrew of Pleasantville, NY, and Tim and Elke Amos of Dulwich, England (special friends known by Cosimo's children as their Euro-Sibs). His loss is also deeply felt by his fourteen grandchildren: Paul Bosco, Jr., Kasja Dymek, Teagan Dymek, John Francis Clarke, Sgt. Michael Clarke USMC, Grace Clarke, Rose Clarke, Anna-Nicole (Nikki) Bosco, Mia O'Malley Jaques and her husband Sean Jaques, Laura O'Malley, Bridget O'Malley, Daniel O'Malley, Jr., J. Owen McAndrew, and Nolan McAndrew; his doting big sister Antoinette Porrazzo of Eastchester, NY, and his well-loved godsons, cousins, nieces, nephews and friends. He was predeceased by his brother, Nicholas Bosco, his sister, Carmela G. Coletto, and his dear "cugino" Angelo Vesce. Following his service in WWII, where he served in the Army Medical Corp at Cushing General Hospital in Framingham, MA, Cosimo attended the University of Connecticut on the G.I. Bill at the Fort Trumbull Campus, which was established briefly (1946-1950) following World

War II to provide returning veterans a UCONN Education. He completed his degrees at the Storrs Campus receiving his BSEE (1951) and MSEE (1954) degrees. He was a member of Theta Xi, an engineering fraternity, and IEEE (the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers). Upon graduating from UCONN, he started his engineering career working on the US Air Force Aircraft Nuclear Propulsion (ANP) program. He made important contributions in fuel controls advancements on the SR-71 Blackbird in the 1960's and later joined the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee traveling the world to set standards for aircraft safety. He had a thirty-five year career at United Technologies, and was the 1983 recipient of the prestigious UTC George Mead Award for engineering achievement related to the development of full authority electronic controls for jet engines. He enjoyed his work, and pursued an extended career with the Federal Aviation Administration which afforded him and Edwina the opportunity to live in Lexington, MA for 14 years. Upon returning to West Hartford, he still defied retirement by founding his own engineering consultancy, Engine Control Consulting Service, LLC. Cosimo was a faithful parishioner of St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church in West Hartford. He was a member of the Rose Society of Elizabeth Park and was exacting in the care of his roses, even in his illness providing careful instruction to his children for their maintenance. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, and his family is ever-grateful for K of C's continued support through his period of repeated illness. He was also a member of the Old Guard, through which he volunteered with Meals on Wheels and at the UCONN Medical Center. In addition to gardening and his volunteer activities, he pursued diverse interests such as Chinese language and painting, watercolor painting, and was a life-long learner and student of global politics and history who was never without a global history or World War II history book. The family would like to give special thanks to Dr. Rolf Knoll and the Prime Health team, Dr. Cheryl Smith, and to the comforting and excellent staff at both St. Francis Hospital and at the St. Mary Home. The Funeral Mass will be held on Monday, September 28,

at 11:00 a.m. at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 872 Farmington Avenue, West Hartford, CT, with a reception following for friends and family to reflect on his wonderful spirit and life. Funeral arrangements are being handled by the Molloy Funeral Home, West Hartford ([www.molloyfuneralhome.com](http://www.molloyfuneralhome.com)). Cosimo felt that the opportunity he was provided to attend the UCONN School of Engineering opened so many doors for him and changed his life. As a result, he was a lifelong supporter of UCONN and an avid follower of UCONN Basketball (men's and women's) and so enjoyed his annual UCONN Football excursion. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that a gift to UCONN's Veterans Activities and Support Fund, or to the UCONN School of Engineering be made in his name. Go Huskies!

To Donate to UCONN Veterans Activities and Support Fund

<http://veterans.uconn.edu/donate/>

To Donate to the UCONN School of Engineering

<http://www.engr.uconn.edu/alumni-engagement/donate/>

# Previous Events

## Mass of Christian Burial

SEP **28**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Thomas the Apostle  
872 Farmington Ave.  
West Hartford, CT  
(860) 233-8269

# Tribute Wall



“ *Rose Remembrance was purchased for the family of Cosimo J. Bosco.*



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September 26, 2015 at 06:44 AM



“ *1 file added to the album New Album Name*



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**Carol Bosco-Dymek** - September 25, 2015 at 02:47 PM



“ *I have grown very close to Cos and Edwina over the many years we have known each other ... we have shared many travels in far away places over those years. Cos was a special person to me and I feel there is a huge hole in the world with his passing. I remember noting at his retirement party from the FAA that if you looked up the word INTEGRITY in the dictionary you would find a picture of Cos. That is who he always was to me. I will miss him dearly ... but the memories are warm ... and they will nurture the healing ... and Cos would want it to be that way.*

*My deepest sympathy to his wonderful family ... and to all who share their sadness. God gave us memory so we can have roses in December ... Cos will always be in our memory.*

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**Larry Carlisle** - September 21, 2015 at 11:10 AM

TF

“ *The Vo and Rose Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Cosimo J. Bosco.*



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**The Vo and Rose Family** - September 20, 2015 at 06:58 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Cosimo J. Bosco.*



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September 15, 2015 at 04:40 PM

FS

“ *Cos (as we all knew him) was instrumental in my being hired by HS in 1966. He was my first supervisor for two years, and I considered him a friend and mentor for my 34 years at HS. My fiance (Carol) at the time was a pediatric nurse and worked for Cos and Edwina at the time I was graduating, and Cos arranged for my interview through Carol. Our prayers and condolences go out to Edwina, and Cos's family*

*Frank Stack*

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**Frank Stack** - September 13, 2015 at 09:31 AM

ES

“ Carol and Family,  
We are so sorry to hear of the passing of your beloved Dad. Our deepest condolences to you and your family.  
May his memory be a blessing to you.  
Lanie and Marty Samuels

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**Elaine Samuels** - September 13, 2015 at 08:11 AM

CB

Thank you for you kind words, Lanie. We are all just so very sad. Email me sometime. .. perhaps we can get together.

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**Carol Bosco-Dymek** - September 18, 2015 at 12:07 PM

BL

“ I've know Cos BE [ before Edwina] going back to the early days at Hamilton Standard, Circa 1953-54. Have met a bunch of folks along the way but few cut from the same cloth as Cos. He was a good man and a wonderful human being, he was my friend and I will miss him . The most powerful, richest men who have ever lived did not leave a legacy of more value then he did. His values, example, the way he lived his life, shared, cared, loved his family,treated everyone, these will live on in his children, grandchildren, friends family.How blessed we all have been to have known him. Bob Levintan

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**bob levintan** - September 11, 2015 at 09:30 AM

CB

“ 1 file added to the album A toast to you all.



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**Carol Bosco-Dymek** - September 11, 2015 at 07:26 AM

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“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



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**Carol Bosco-Dymek** - September 11, 2015 at 07:12 AM

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**Carol Bosco-Dymek** - September 11, 2015 at 07:10 AM

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“ 1 file added to the album *Always upbeat!*



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**Carol Bosco-Dymek** - September 11, 2015 at 07:06 AM

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“ 2 files added to the album *Always in his garden!*

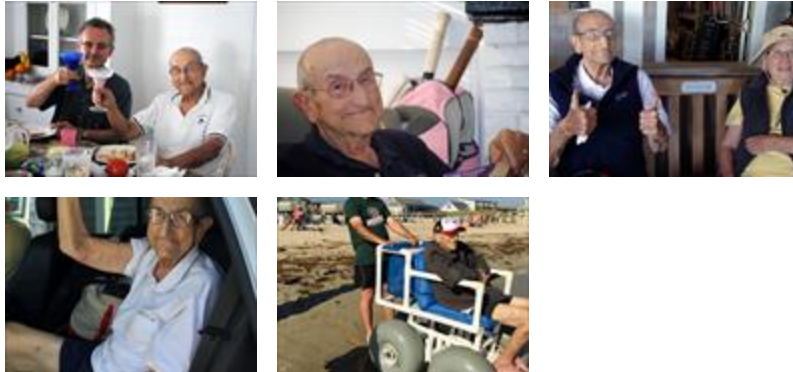


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**Carol Bosco-Dymek** - September 11, 2015 at 07:00 AM

CB

“ 6 files added to the album *Cape Cod Summers*



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**Carol Bosco-Dymek** - September 11, 2015 at 06:55 AM

LB

“ *Laurie Ballard lit a candle in memory of Cosimo J. Bosco*



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**Laurie Ballard** - September 10, 2015 at 09:53 PM

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“ 4 files added to the album *True Love*



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**Carol Bosco-Dymek** - September 10, 2015 at 03:52 PM

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“ 2 files added to the album *A wonderful life*



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**Carol Bosco-Dymek** - September 10, 2015 at 02:35 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album *A wonderful life*



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**Carol Bosco-Dymek** - September 10, 2015 at 02:34 PM

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“ Cos lived as a loving and humble man, quiet but firm in maintaining his principles, never looking for undo praise or attention, and giving thanks to God for the many blessing bestowed on him. He died the same way, in peace and knowing exactly where he was going. I shall never forget my visit with him last Thursday. The smile on his face as he waved and said "Goodbye", gave me more comfort than I gave him, but that was Cos's way of doing things!  
See you at the UCONN football game Saturday Cos!  
PS - They could use a little help if you can put in a good word, (and so can I).  
Ed Trifari  
Long time HSD friend and playmate.

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**Ed Trifari** - September 10, 2015 at 11:32 AM

CB

Looking forward to seeing you there Mr. Trifari! I believe dad will be there in spirit along with us.  
Carol

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**Carol Bosco-Dymek** - September 10, 2015 at 02:11 PM

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**Carol Bosco-Dymek** - September 10, 2015 at 11:11 AM

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**Carol Bosco-Dymek** - September 10, 2015 at 10:15 AM

NB

“ *Ann and I knew him as "Cos". He worked closely with me from 1990 on at the FAA. He was truly an expert on aircraft engine control systems, especially full authority digital controls. Cos was always helpful in dealing with problems that came up in the FAA Engine Certification Office in Burlington, MA. His friendly and sincere attitude made it easy to work with him. Ann and I were blessed with several opportunities to meet Cos and Edwina socially during his tenure with the FAA. He and I participated in several standards conferences, even a couple at MIT on safety critical control systems. He will be missed by many I am sure. Rest in peace Cos.*

*Love, Norm and Ann Brown*

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**norman Brown** - September 10, 2015 at 09:47 AM

RW

“ *I feel like I heard about Cosimo and Edwina as soon as I met Clare so many years ago. It's the mark of a great parenting that a mother and father become known through their children, their influence felt as directly as if they are right there in the room. Clare, I'm sorry for this sad loss to you and your extended family. Your dad will certainly live on through you and so many others, and he will continue to be honored on a daily basis by your presence.*

*--Robin Willig*

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**Robin Willig** - September 10, 2015 at 06:31 AM

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**Carol Bosco-Dymek** - September 10, 2015 at 04:22 AM

PU

“ I am so sorry to hear of the news of Cos's passing. He was a true gentleman and very accomplished engineer. I worked at Pratt & Whitney and first met Cos at Hamilton Standard during the development of the first Full Authority Digital Electronic Control (FADEC) System for a gas turbine engine. He always made the young engineers working the program feel comfortable, valued and an important part of the program. Later in my career as a FAA DER, I had the pleasure of working with Cos when he worked at the FAA on various safety related issues and system certifications. My deepest condolences to Edwina who I have had the enjoyment of meeting a few times. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your whole family. He will be greatly missed by all that knew him.

*Peter Urbanik*

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**Peter Urbanik** - September 09, 2015 at 05:28 PM

JK

“ Working with Cos at Hamilton Standard/Sundstrand and as a Pratt & Whitney employee working on FAA projects, I've had closer people to me that have passed away that didn't affect me like this one does. He was truly one of those remarkable guys that makes you glad you had the privilege to have him in your life. My deepest sympathy to the family and relatives... Jim Krodel

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**Jim Krodel** - September 09, 2015 at 03:09 PM