



## Daniel Buckanavage

November 25, 1938 - December 17, 2010

Daniel Buckanavage, 72, of West Hartford, beloved husband of Patricia Gentkowski Buckanavage died peacefully on December 17, 2010 at his home surrounded by his family. He was born on November 25, 1938, in Shenandoah, PA, son of the late Joseph and Anastasia Misiewicz Buckanavage. Dan grew up in Shenandoah, PA and then moved to Wallingford, before serving in the United States Air Force where he was stationed in Frankfurt, Germany. Upon his return home from the service, he met and married his life partner, Pat and also started his career in accounting at US Plastics and Molding. The majority of his professional career was with the GR Cummings/Claremont Companies serving as President and Vice President. During that period, he settled in Avon, where he raised his three daughters. He spent several years as controller for Costello Industries during which time he relocated to West Hartford where he spent the last twelve years. Upon retirement he reinvented his career by working with his brother David, serving as Executive Vice President for Sovereign Pacific Equity, Inc raising capital for the preservation and adaptive reuse of historic properties. In conjunction with SPE, Inc, he found time to take on the role of CFO at West Side Wines, where he enjoyed the experience of accounting, brotherhood and wine tasting. Dan found joy and significance in his volunteer work which included driving for the American Cancer Society's Road to Recovery Program and Feeding the Hungry-Sandwich Ministry at St. Patrick ? St. Anthony Parish. He had a passion for gardening and spending time outdoors,

especially on the water but mostly enjoyed spending quality time and creating memories with his family. Besides his beloved wife Patricia of 45 years, he leaves behind his three loving and devoted daughters; Ann Telman and her husband Patrick of Newington, Rose Rapp and her husband Jon of Newburyport, MA, and Tricia Ruddy and her husband Patrick of Newtown; his five grandchildren, Ryan, Kyle, Sara, Joshua and Justin; four brothers, Joseph and Mary Sue Buckanavage of Niantic, Robert and Barbara Buckanavage of Yardley, PA, Paul Buckanavage of Lenox, MA, and David and Deborah Buckanavage of San Juan Capistrano, CA; numerous loved nieces and nephews and many special friends. Family and friends may gather on Tuesday December 21 from 4-8 p.m. at the Molloy Funeral Home, 906 Farmington Ave., West Hartford. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Wednesday December 22 at 10 a.m. in St. Patrick ? St. Anthony Church, 285 Church Street, Hartford. Contributions in his memory may be made to the Helen and Harry Gray Cancer Center, 85 Retreat Ave., Hartford, CT 06106 or the St. Patrick ? St. Anthony Church, Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry, 285 Church Street, Hartford, CT 06103. A special thank you to his doctors and their staff, Dr Robert Siegel of the Helen and Harry Gray Cancer Center , Dr Robert Dowsett of Hartford Radiation Oncology, Dr Alexandra Golby of Brigham and Women's Hospital and Vitas Hospice Care. Online expressions of sympathy may be made at [www.molloyfuneralhome.com](http://www.molloyfuneralhome.com).

# Tribute Wall



“ I spent my young years with Bucky and as part of a small close group thru high school I have so many fond and hilarious memories of him, he was my young friend and I saw him last in Germany as I was a soldier stationed there as well, I never did see him again but thought of him so many times in great fondness. His friend Mickey Thomas###imported-begin##Mickey Thomas###imported-end##

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December 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ To the Buckanavage family. Here in Shenandoah Dan will be remembered for his scholastic achievements and for his kindness to all who came in contact with him. We're sure many will share in condolences to his family. We will pray for him here in his home town...###imported-begin##Ray & Dot Wisno###imported-end##

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December 22, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Pat and your precious family,  
We were so sorry about the news of Dan's passing. He was a wonderful, kind and caring person. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this sad time.  
Warm Regards,  
Sharon and Pat###imported-begin##Sharon and Pat Davies###imported-end##

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December 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Our thoughts are with you. With deepest sympathy  
Dave and Jan Ravasio##imported-begin##Dave & Jan Ravasio##imported-end##

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December 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ My dear Pat and family,  
I will always remember my last visit with Dan at St.Patrick-St. Anthony Urban Center. Dan was a very gentle, deeply spiritual man -truly, a "man for all seasons".  
May we all live his legacy of love.

Sr. Virginia Sheehan, SND##imported-begin##Virginia M. Sheehan, SND##imported-end##

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“ Mother and I share warm memories of a wonderful man. One lovely lunch on the cape. To Pat and all her family our thoughts are with you though we are not, Annette and Vaughn Johnston.##imported-begin##vaughn johnston##imported-end##

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December 19, 2010 at 12:00 AM