



## Ed Higgison

February 26, 2019

Edward Crownshield Higgison, age 94, beloved husband of Mary Ellen, passed away peacefully at his home in West Hartford, CT, on February 26, 2019.

Born February 18, 1925, in Harrisburg, PA, he was the son of Fletcher and Naomi Higgison. After graduating from Gettysburg College, earning Phi Beta Kappa, he began his long and successful career of 38 years at the Aetna Life and Casualty Co. Until retirement, he was the Director of Training and Education, where he impacted the careers of countless insurance professionals. These included his step children John, Eileen, Mary and Julie who pursued a career in commercial insurance with his guidance.

Ed lived most of his adult life in West Hartford, where he was active in the community including being a member of St. Thomas the Apostle church and choir. He enjoyed a variety of hobbies such as singing with the Squires, crafting homemade jewelry and tutoring English as a second language to adults. Ed lived life to the fullest and was always willing to tell a good joke. He had a dedicated passion for politics and also sports, especially for the Philadelphia Eagles and UCONN women's basketball teams.

Ed served our country with distinction both in the Army during World War II, where he participated in the liberation of a concentration camp in Germany, as

well as in the Air Force during the Korean War.

In addition to his loving wife Mary Ellen, he is survived by his son Michael Higginson and his step-children Kathleen and Philip Grzewinski, Patricia O'Connor, John and Carol O'Connor, Eileen and James Clinton, Mary and David Woods and Julie O'Connor. Ed was also a beloved grandfather to Laura and Michael Grzewinski, Timothy Rice, Shannon and Caitlin O'Connor, Matthew Clinton, Ryan and Caroline Woods, Catherine and Claire Golder, and great grandfather to Brianna, Derek and Caleb. Ed was preceded in death by his first wife Gloria and his son Mark.

Funeral services will be held on Monday, March 4 with a mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 a.m. at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 872 Farmington Avenue, West Hartford. Burial will be private. Friends and family may call Sunday, March 3 from 2-5 p.m. at the Molloy Funeral Home, 906 Farmington Avenue, West Hartford. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to St. Thomas the Apostle Church.

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

MAR 3. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Molloy Funeral Home  
906 Farmington Avenue  
West Hartford, CT 06119  
(860) 232-1322

## Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 4. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Thomas the Apostle Church  
872 Farmington Ave.  
West Hartford, CT 06119  
(860) 233-8269

# Tribute Wall

CG

“ i loved my grandpa so much he and I so close and he going too miss me my getting my wisdom teeth out but don't worry I will love him as much as I do now

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**catherine golder** - May 06, 2019 at 05:01 PM

CA

“ I loved my grandpa I always used to push him in his wheelchair to dinner and hug him a lot I am going to miss him so much when I heard about his passing i was crying so badly

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**catherine** - March 27, 2019 at 03:35 PM

MD

“ Mary Ellen, John, Mary and Family,  
Please accept our condolences on the passing of Ed. We remember him fondly around Saint Thomas the Apostle Church at Mass, Coffee Hours and other Parish social functions. He always had a big smile and a kind word for those he met. I am sure that you have many fond memories to brighten your spirits.  
Sincerely, Michael and Kathy DeConti

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**Michael DeConti** - March 04, 2019 at 09:27 PM

SL

“ Ed was such a special man who will be missed by so many. We always enjoyed his story telling over the 40 plus years of friendship. We have great memories to treasure. Sally and Lee

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**sally and Lee** - March 03, 2019 at 10:01 PM

KD

“ Hi I remember his wife Mary Ellen and when Ed was in the choir at ST Thomas Church. He was a very nice man

Kathy DeConti - March 03, 2019 at 07:30 PM

TD

“ Ed was a friend of many years, mostly in a bridge group of some 20+ years. Ed always enjoyed visiting, chatting, telling stories, but most of all he enjoyed a winning hand in bridge. He was raconteur. He was fun to be with and share stories of himself, his family, and friends. Almost always a smile was on his face.  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you Mary Ellen, and your family.  
Martha and Tew DuBois

Tew DuBois - March 02, 2019 at 11:05 AM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Ed Higgison.



March 01, 2019 at 10:24 PM

JC

“ Jim, Eileen, and Matt Clinton purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Ed Higgison.



Jim, Eileen, and Matt Clinton - March 01, 2019 at 02:27 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ed Higgison.



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February 28, 2019 at 03:52 PM



“ From your friends at CMHA purchased the America the Beautiful for the family of Ed Higgison.



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**From your friends at CMHA** - February 28, 2019 at 01:52 PM



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February 28, 2019 at 09:05 AM