



Lawrence Gloekler

February 9, 2019

Lawrence Gloekler, of West Hartford, passed away on February 9th 2019. He was born on March 27, 1927, in Pittsburgh, PA to Al & Loretta Gloekler. He graduated from Central Catholic High in Pittsburgh and served in World War II in the Navy and the Korean War. After serving the Navy he attended St. Francis University in Loretto, PA and graduated in 1950. Larry was an employee of Crucible Steel, Pratt & Whitney Machine Tool, Carrier Air Conditioning & Dunham Bush. The last 22 years of his working career were with the Federal Government in the Department of Federal Mediation & Reconciliation Service.

He enjoyed acting and participated in many plays and local volunteer activities. He was an avid sailor who captained many recreational sailing excursions. He was a member of the Saint Thomas the Apostle Choir, the Squires Retired Men's Organization, and was a 4th Degree Member in the Knights of Columbus. He was also a communicant of St. Thomas the Apostle Church.

He is predeceased by his loving wife of 66 years Mrs. Anne Greinader Gloekler. He is survived by five children: Francis, Larry, Mike, Ellen, Mark and 12 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren.

He is predeceased by his sister Dorothy Hannon (& her husband John), of Wilmington, DE. His brother John Gloekler predeceased him.

A Funeral Mass will be held at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church in West Hartford, on Monday February 18th at 10:30 a.m. with a reception

immediately after in the lower Church for visitation with the family.

Donations may be made to St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 872 Farmington Avenue, West Hartford, CT 06119.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

FEB **18**. 10:30 AM (ET)

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

Tribute Wall

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“ To all the Gloekler children, I'm saddened to learn of Dad's passing. He was a wonderful man who always brightened a room with his smile, jokes and just general caring nature. I'll never forget our sailing adventures on the hobie cat and the late night chats with both Mom & Dad about finances.

Smiling through tears - Nancy (Schermerhorn) Haase

Nancy S Haase - February 17, 2019 at 09:12 AM

JL

“ On behalf of President and Head of School, Christian Cashman, I offer my deepest sympathy on the passing of Larry Gloekler. Larry, along with his daughter Ellen Gloekler Murphy '78, is a valued member of the Northwest Catholic community, so we mourn his loss along with all who love him. Please know that we will remember Larry and his entire family in a special way at our next school-wide Mass. We are very sorry for your loss. ~ Jane Leary, Director of Constituent Relations, Northwest Catholic High School.

Jane Leary - February 15, 2019 at 12:13 PM

KD

“ Hi I will miss him he always made me laugh it was so nice to see him in the choir and at mass too I still miss Anne too she was always so nice to me They invited us over their house a while ago and we sat together for many K of C functions. I saw him not too long ago he seemed fine what happened I hope it was a peaceful death!! Many prayers for your family too Kathy DeConti

Kathy DeConti - February 13, 2019 at 10:25 AM

MD

“ To the family of Sir Knight Larry Gloekler,

On behalf of the Knights of Columbus Assembly 3000 Color Corps, please accept our deepest sympathies on Larry's passing. Larry was a member of the Knights of Columbus for over 62 years and he was one of our most active members, always offering whatever help he could provide at our Pancake Breakfasts, Blood Drives, Church Clean up Days and various fundraising dinners.

In the Color Corps, I could always count on Larry to be in Regalia for Wakes, Parades Special Veterans' Rosary Services or Venerations as seen in the photo. He always had a smile and a good word for everyone he met. He was even known to tell a joke or two at any gathering he attended to lift our spirits. He will surely be missed but we all have many fond memories of Larry to keep us smiling.

Sincerely,

Michael DeConti

Knights of Columbus, Assembly 3000

Color Corps Commander



Michael DeConti - February 12, 2019 at 04:40 PM