



Read Murphy

March 28, 1920 - June 4, 2007

Read Murphy of Duncaster, Bloomfield, Connecticut died June 4th after a short illness. He was born in Brooklyn, N.Y., on March 28, 1920 to the late Alfred and Dorothy Murphy. He graduated from Phillips Academy, Andover, Yale University, class of 1942 and Cornell Law School. During World War II, Read served in the Navy Supply Corps for P.T. Boats in the South Pacific. After graduating from law school he and his wife, Barbara moved to West Hartford. He worked for Day, Berry and Howard before joining Murtha, Cullina, Richter and Pinny where he later became a partner specializing in litigation. In the late 1950's he served as an assistant State's Attorney. Read also served on the first elected Board of Education in West Hartford. After retiring Read did pro bono work for the Federal Court in Hartford. He was honored for the years of work he did for the court system. Read was very active physically and was known as the man who walked to work in Hartford for many years. When he and his wife retired to Woodridge Lake he loved rowing his shell on the lake. He was the class secretary for his Andover class and became somewhat of a legend as he served in this capacity for so many years. He is survived by his beloved wife of 60 years, Barbara Hadden Murphy; two daughters; Sally Murphy and her partner, Gordon Rupert, of Santa Fe, New Mexico; Nancy Innes and her husband Steve, of Gorham, Maine; and one son, Peter Murphy of Burlington, Connecticut and five grandchildren; Sarah, Alexander and Cory Murphy; Benjamin and Hilary Innes. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Saturday June 9th at 11 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church, 28

Wintonbury Ave. Bloomfield, CT. Memorial donations may be made to the Residents? Assistance fund, Duncaster, 40 Loeffler Rd., Bloomfield, CT 06002 or to Phillips Academy, 180 Main St. Andover, MA 01810. Online messages of remembrance and sympathy maybe made at www.molloyfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall



“ I had the honor of working for Mr. Murphy during my clerkship in Judge Covello's chambers. Mr. Murphy represented the highest standard of the legal profession. As a young lawyer, I was so lucky to have had the chance to learn from him. Your family is in my family's prayers.##imported-begin##Nuala E. Droney##imported-end##

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“ My heartfelt sympathy to the family of Reed Murphy; especially his wife Barbara and their son Peter Murphy. Peter is a good friend of mine & we have played many rounds of golf together. I know how concerned Peter has been for his Father over these last months. May the Lord bless you all!##imported-begin##Calvert B. Thomas##imported-end##

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“ Sorry to learn of Read's passing. He was both helpful and kind to my family over the years, acting as my mother Doro Brown's attorney and friend through her divorce and in subsequent years, and as legal counsel to me when I needed sound advice. Read also helped me when I returned to CT in 1995, suggesting new career options when we met again after 25 years apart. My mother and I, and my wife Marilynne, send our deepest condolences to Barbara and the Murphy family.##imported-begin##Douglas S. Brown Jr.##imported-end##

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