



## Robert Elsner

January 21, 2022

Robert (Bob) Elsner, 101, beloved husband of Marie (Gugliotti) passed away peacefully on January 21, 2022, at home surrounded by his loving family. He was born on January 9, 1921, in Hartford, to the late Judge Solomon and Carolyn

Elsner. Bob graduated from Roxbury (Cheshire) Academy in 1939 and attended

Penn State University. Bob was a medic in Company C 314th Medical Battalion

from 10/10/42-12/29/45, and was stationed in Rhineland, Central Europe from 1/10/45-12/12/45. He received the Bronze Star and the rank of Sergeant TEC 4.

Bob was the oldest and longest continuing member of the American Legion Post

96 for 77 years. Family friend Beatrice Auerbach provided his first job at Brown

Thomson, Inc., and then he moved to G. Fox & Co. where he was a buyer in several departments. Bob retired in 1978 after 37 years of service. Besides his

wife of 68 years, Bob leaves his daughter Carolyn Elsner; sons Lawrence and his

wife Becky and Peter and his wife Diane; his two grandchildren P.J. and Kate Elsner; his brother Lt. Colonel James E. Elsner (102) and his wife Dorothy;

and a

niece and several nephews. He is preceded in death by two brothers Morton A.

and Allan S. Elsner. Bob was fond of finding all the best deals at the supermarket. He stayed in touch with friends and family through Facebook and

Email. He enjoyed driving Marie to her weekly hairdressing appointment. Bob read several papers every day and was active in following the stock market.

Bob

and his brother Jim would meet each morning for tea and had dinner once a week. There will be a graveside service with full military honors at Fairview Cemetery. A Celebration of Bob's Life will be held at a future date in warmer weather, when Covid protocols allow. The Elsners would like to extend their appreciation for the wonderful care he was given by his family of caregivers.

In

lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Hayes-Velhage Post 96, P.O. Box 370160, West Hartford, CT 06117 and/or the West Hartford Food Pantry. For online expressions of sympathy please visit, [www.molloyfuneralhome.com](http://www.molloyfuneralhome.com).

# Tribute Wall

RG

“ Dear Larry and family  
It's with great sadness that I just read your dad's obituary in Wednesdays paper. While reading I realized it was your dad that passed. What a life he must have had living to 101 years old. I was a member of Post 96 and not sure if I met your dad, but I'm sure at some point I did, but that was many years ago. From time to time I think about these two "goofy" kids at the WH PD who always were able to make me laugh. You and Dean Uman were quite the pair. I hope you've stayed in touch. My deepest sympathy to you and your family. I have made a donation to Post 96 on behalf of your father.  
Sincerely, Gully

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**Rober Gulliksen** - January 29, 2022 at 06:40 PM

KD

“ I enjoyed living in the neighborhood with the elsners please let us know when the service will be we would like to be there . So sorry about your father Carolyn , Larry , And Peter . So sorry Marie about your husband I will keep him in my prayers take care Kathy DeConti

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**Kathy DeConti** - January 27, 2022 at 09:46 AM

JG

“ Larry and family, my condolences to you at this time. No matter the age the lose challenging and painful.

*John Gulioso*

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**John Gulioso** - January 27, 2022 at 06:33 AM

SJ

“ Dear Carolyn and Elsner family my sincere condolences to you all. Bob was a wonderful man always remember the fun parties that were had fond memories.

Shari Jones - January 26, 2022 at 12:01 PM

BS

“ Condolences and sympathies to the family. I knew Mr. Elsner through his son Peter. Though our interactions were few and long ago, his character is what comes to mind as I remember him.

Bill Sprague - January 26, 2022 at 08:43 AM

JC

“ Dear Marie, Carolyn, Peter, Larry: When I recd the phone call today from Larry informing me of Bobs passing, immediate memories flashed across my mind of the days Bob and I spent together working for G.Fox in downtown Hartford. We kept in contact thru the many years that passed and I would come to his home for lunch on occasion to catch up on recent events..I will keep Bob and all of you in my daily prayers. My deepest sympathy to you all..Joe Casso

joseph casso - January 25, 2022 at 12:36 PM

AM

Dear Brother Larry and Becky, our condolences on the passing of your Father. Love to both, Penny and Abdi Mirsepassi

Abdi Mirsepassi - January 25, 2022 at 09:51 PM

AH

Deepest sympathies to the Elster family. Grew up across the street from them, kids are younger siblings to me. On fb just a couple of wks ago, Bob mentioned that our old house was on the market, and he hoped I, and my wife, would move back. Always a joy to check in with him and Marie when I could. Love to all, and again, deepest condolences, Art & Claudia Helfgott

Art Helfgott - January 25, 2022 at 10:22 PM

JM

*Dear Carolyn, Mrs. Elsner, Larry, and Peter:  
I extend you my deepest sympathies and sentiments over the passing of Mr. Elsner. A few years ago I had an unexpected meeting with them at the Citgo gas station on Park Road. We had a pleasant conversation. Mr. Elsner was a true renaissance man.*

*With all due respects,  
Joey Mascolo*

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**Joseph Mascolo** - January 26, 2022 at 02:37 PM

MD

*Dear Marie, Carolyn, Larry and Peter,*

*We were saddened to hear of Bob's passing. Your family were great neighbors for over 40 years and we appreciate that very much. Good neighbors are hard to come by.*

*I remember well Bob supervising Peter's crew as they added a second floor to our house. He wanted to be sure everything was done right for his neighbor!*

*Bob and Marie always remembered me as they upgraded their electronics. I think I am still using some of them to this day.*

*Bob and your family are in our Prayers.*

*Sincerely Michael and Kathy DeConti*

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**Michael DeConti** - January 26, 2022 at 03:30 PM

GF

*Brother Larry and Becky, my condolences on the passing of your Dad Brother George*

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**George Frascarelli** - January 26, 2022 at 03:59 PM

BO

*Dear Larry and Becky, Robin and I are saddened by the passing of Larry's Dad. We offer our sincerest condolences to the entire Elsner family. May a lifetime of fond memories and the loving support of family and friends help ease your grief.*

*Buddy and Robin Officer*

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**Buddy Officer** - January 26, 2022 at 06:15 PM

MI

*My condolences to the Elsner family. I'm so glad that Bob and Jim had all of those tea-times and dinners together!*

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**Michael Ignatowicz** - January 28, 2022 at 09:33 AM