



Robert A. Skenderian

March 20, 2022

Robert A. Skenderian passed away peacefully March 20, 2022 at the age of 87. “Bob”, “Bobby”, “Dad”, “RAS”, “Skinny” and “Podge” were among the many affectionate names that his beloved family and friends used. He had a big heart, was kind to all and on any given day, would often strike up conversations with those who crossed his path. He could tell a joke better than most and would often fool his friends with stories that would stretch out until the laughter started once they knew he had reeled them in again. Above all, Bob was a gentleman and believed in treating others with dignity, courtesy and respect. He was dedicated to his faith and was one of the longest standing members of St. James's Church.

A lifelong resident and business owner in West Hartford, there were few who did not know the Skenderian name. As an interior designer, Bob coveted his ASID designation and continued the family business, as started by his father in 1927. He loved traditional design and often recounted the families he completed work for as he drove around West Hartford. He attended the original Hall High School in West Hartford Center and went to Nichols College. Bob was a gifted athlete, playing soccer and baseball during those years. As an adult, golf was his passion and over the course of his life, he enjoyed many rounds, both on and off the course at Rockledge and Avon Country Clubs. It is believed that he still holds the front 9 record of “29” at Rockledge.

Bob was predeceased by his parents, Aram and Rose Skenderian and his beloved wife of over 50 year, Penny. He is survived by his sister Dianne Skenderian, his son Gerry Skenderian, his wife Ingrid and their children Aram and Gerald, his daughter Lesley Skenderian, Michele Parrotta and their children Lillian and Robert. Bob and Penny were blessed with old, dear friends in Connecticut and many new friends in Florida. Bob especially enjoyed the time he spent with his lifelong friends, eating breakfast together and sharing stories of grandchildren, reveling in old times and of course, discussing politics.

A celebration of Bob's life will be held on June 8th, 4:00 p.m. at Fairview Cemetery in West Hartford. A graveside service will be officiated by the Reverend Robert C. Hooper, of St. James's Church, with a reception to follow.

Cemetery Details

Fairview Cemetery

200 Whitman Ave.
West Hartford, CT

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JUN 8. 4:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Robert A. Skenderian.*



June 06, 2022 at 04:45 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert A. Skenderian.*



June 06, 2022 at 10:35 AM



“ *Dear Gerry and Lesley,
You have my deepest sympathy. Gerry told me this was expected but it's still sad. We had many great times as friends and families. He was a good friend and as couple's we had some wonderful times. I have so many memories. He will be missed.
God Bless both of you
Merrill*

Merrill Phillips - April 11, 2022 at 04:12 PM



“ *Always enjoyed conversations with Bob. I'll remember him as articulate, opinionated and most of all a lot of fun. RIP Bob Skenderian. You will be missed!*

Steve Atkins - March 29, 2022 at 10:04 PM

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“ *Im so sorry for your loss. Bob as I always called him, he was such an amazing men with a gold heart. I will never forget him. I will miss him dearly especially when I came to his house and he always said Jak Sie Masz in polish. Please accept the condolence. Aneta Kropiewnicki with family.*

Aneta Kropiewnicki - March 29, 2022 at 02:01 PM

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“ *Bob was always a fine, friendly gentleman. He will always be remembered with affection. Robert and Jacqueline Gfeller*

Robert J. Gfeller MD - March 29, 2022 at 10:26 AM