



Stephen G.J. Long

May 25, 1927 - March 9, 2012

Stephen G.J. Long , 84, beloved husband of Clare Carrigan Long went to be with the Lord after a long battle with cancer on Friday March 9, 2012 at home with his wife and family by his side. Steve was born May 25, 1927 in Brooklyn, New York. He was a graduate of the Merchant Marine Academy at Fort Schuyler. After graduation he went to work for Gulf Oil and during the Korean War joined the Navy serving on the USS Dixie AO-14 and the USS Chemung AO-30. He joined to travel the world but never saw any of it, because he was always in the engine room where he loved to be. While the ship was in dock in Mare Island Naval Ship Yard, California for repairs he met Ensign Clare Carrigan when she bought his car. He had to make sure she knew how to drive it so they married in Feb 1955 and remained together happily for these 57 years. He was an employee of Combustion Engineering in Chicago who transferred him to their Windsor Locks, plant. They found a home in West Hartford and have lived there since 1960. He later went to work for the J.M. NEY Company in Bloomfield and eventually became the Vice President of the American Chemical and Refining Company in Waterbury. After the stress of that job, he retired to sell exercise equipment at the Nordic Trak store in Westfarms Mall. He was a member of the congregation of St. Thomas the Apostle Church in West Hartford where he served as a Eucharistic Minister. Aside from his family, Steve's greatest love was the sea and sailing. Steve is survived by his 5 children; Steve Long Jr. of West Hartford, Phillip Long and his wife Denise of Cuyahoga Falls, OH., Clare C.

Long and her husband Rodney Wilson of Center Conway, NH, Jack Long and his wife Laurie Beasley of Bristol, and Nancy Propfe and her husband Peter of New Hartford. He is also survived by his brothers Bernard Long and wife Marion, Ralph Long and his wife Helen, Charles Long and wife Peggy and Gerald Long and his wife Judy, as well as 10 grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, Stephen and Anne Long, he was predeceased by his brother Father John Long, SJ and sister Lorraine Roell. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Wednesday March 14, 2012 at 10 a.m. at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 872 Farmington Avenue, West Hartford. Burial will be private. Friends and family may call Tuesday, March 13, 2012 from 4-7 p.m. at The Molloy Funeral Home, 906 Farmington Avenue, West Hartford. Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society or Sail CT Access Program, 1 Riverside Court, Guilford CT 06437. To leave on line condolences please visit www.molloyfuneralhome.com. The family thanks the nurses and staff of VITAS Hospice and the wonderful women of Polish Helping Hands for the kind care given to Steve.

Tribute Wall



“ *My heartfelt and belated condolences to the Long family. I just came across the obituary on the web. Cherriesh all the wonderful memories you keep in your hearts.##imported-begin##Scott Simons##imported-end##*

June 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Heartfelt thoughts to the Long Family.##imported-begin##James Hughes##imported-end##*

March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *My most heartfelt sympathies to all the Longs. Mr. Long as I knew him was a firm foundation for your family, I know his spirit is carried on through the rest of you.*

Michael Bach##imported-begin##Michael Richardson-Bach##imported-end##

March 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Steve was a classmate at the NY State Merchant Marine Academy, class of '47. Condolences to his family.##imported-begin##Bob Mersereau##imported-end##*

March 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Steve was a fellow engineer, and good buddy, at the NY State Merchant Marine Academy, class of '47. Condolences to you all. Bill##imported-begin##Bill Smith##imported-end##

March 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Please accept our sincere condolences on the loss of your husband and father. Our prayers are with you and your family from another Scissorbill of Fort Schuyler. Bob and June Slote##imported-begin##Robert Slote##imported-end##

March 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ A classmate from the NY State Maritime Academy Class of 1947 and Navy survivor of Korea where Steve and I served. I'm sure he will be severely missed. We will obtain a mass card and pray for his soul in peace.##imported-begin##Jack Hayes##imported-end##

March 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Steve and I were classmates at the NY State Maritime Academy, 07/45-10/47. I last saw him several years ago at a class reunion and was looking forward to visiting with him again at our 65th Class Reunion, scheduled for Sept 28. We'll all miss him for he was a fine man and a true shipmate. My prayers are with his wife and family. May he rest in peace.##imported-begin##Robert Barr##imported-end##

March 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ To the Long Family,
I am so sorry for your loss. I have many fond memories of Mr Long.
From basketball games, track meets and field hockey games. You
always knew he was there cheering us on at all of the Hall High
Girls sporting events. I will keep all of you in my thoughts and
prayers.
Marie Bernard###imported-begin##Marie Miszewski###imported-
end##

March 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Phil,
Your family is in my prayers for the loss of your father.###imported-
begin##Lori Caruthers###imported-end##

March 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Phil & family,
I'm sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and
your family.###imported-begin##Kathy West###imported-end##

March 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ What sad news Nancy.
But how great it must have been for you to have had a dad like him.
And how great for him to have such a wonderful daughter.
Joyce###imported-begin##Joyce Rossignol###imported-end##

March 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Nancy,

*You and your family have been and will continue to be in my prayers. Hugs,
Laura###imported-begin##Laura T###imported-end##*

March 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Claire and family, my thoughts and prayers are with you.###imported-begin##Mary Willenbrock###imported-end##

March 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Please know that you are all in our prayers. We are so very sorry for your loss of this wonderful man.

Richard, Cheryl and Meg###imported-begin##Richard, Cheryl and Meg Schoenfeld###imported-end##

March 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Dearest Clare and family - I can only imagine what a profound man your Dad, Stephen, must have been by knowing the heart and love Clare Long shares with so many people, creatures and nature. I send my care to you as the passage of your father is being honored. To be sure - I can only guess he will be "living it up and laughing" as Clare can, when his legacy and memories are shared... now he can be with you anytime as you walk and run in the forest. I'm sure he is thrilled to watch from above admiring the amazing family and daughter he brought to us. Thinking of you and much love - your friend, Lisa###imported-begin##Lisa Holcomb###imported-end##

March 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Jack...thinking of you and your family. Prayers and thoughts and if there's anything I can do, please just ask. God Bless.##imported-begin##Derek Gaston##imported-end##

March 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Clare and Rod, Sending lots of love to you and your family. We're thinking of you. XO Jane and Marc##imported-begin##Jane Chauvin##imported-end##

March 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Clare and Rod, We're thinking of you and will be here with kleenex when you get back. Hugs to you and your family. Barb and John##imported-begin##Barb and John##imported-end##

March 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Phil and Denise, we are so sorry for your loss. Our prayers and thoughts go out to you and your family##imported-begin##Eric & Kelly Earvin##imported-end##

March 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Nancy and family...
So sorry to hear of your loss... Just wanted you to know that I am thinking of you during this difficult time... Peace to you...
Sue##imported-begin##sue ingui##imported-end##

March 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Nancy,
It is never easy when our parents leave us, but know he is at peace and in a much better place. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Karen Puzzo##imported-end##

March 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Nancy and family,
My deepest sympathies at your time of loss. May God hold you in the palm of His hand during this time.##imported-begin##Kris Ebner Martin##imported-end##

March 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Nancy and Family,
Words seem inadequate at a time of great loss; hopefully, knowing that your friends care deeply and are there for you, may help you through this difficult time. You carry your dad's smile with you, Nancy!

Pat and Alan Coffey##imported-begin##Pat Coffey##imported-end##

March 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Our deepest condolences to you and the entire Long family. May the Lord bless you and keep you.

With Love, Shari, Jacob, Daniel, Josh and Hannah

Kovel###imported-begin##Shari Kovel###imported-end##

March 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ I am so sorry to hear that your husband and dad passed away. I will not forget him. He was definitely a bright spot for me when he would come to Hall's Market. He always had that great smile and such a gentle and gentlemanly spirit. I remember he'd always make sure to pick up a flyer for Clare she loved the colors! We talked about how he got together with his brothers for pinochle every couple of months. I know you all know how lucky you were to have had him in your lives. I just wanted to let you know that I am among those whose life he also touched.

Joanie Hall's Market cashier###imported-begin##Joanie

Desmarais###imported-end##

March 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM