



## William C. Ladish

March 3, 1933 - December 10, 2007

LADISH, William C.

William C. Ladish, 74, of Avon, the husband of Nancy Lengyel Ladish, died Monday, December 10, 2007, at John Dempsey Hospital in Farmington. Born in Hartford, the son of the late John Edward and Mary Farrell Ladish, he had lived in East Granby for over 25 years, moving to Avon 8 years ago. Bill was a graduate of Loomis School in Windsor and St. Mary's Seminary in Baltimore, MD. He retired from the Travelers Ins. Co. in 1993 enjoying his avocations golf and baseball. Besides his wife Nancy, he is survived by his daughter Gretchen Ladish of London, England. His brother John Ladish and his wife Joanne of New Kensington, PA, the Rev. Robert Ladish of New Preston, Nancy Kendall and her husband Leonard of Simsbury, his brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Paul Fardy and his wife Judith of Point Lookout, NY, Robert Richardell and his wife Marybeth of Old Saybrook; his niece Marjorie Rice of West Hartford and his Kendall and Ladish nieces and nephews also survive him. Funeral services will be Thursday at 9:15 a.m. from the Molloy Funeral Home, 906 Farmington Ave. West Hartford with a Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 a.m. in St. Thomas the Apostle Church, West Hartford. Cremation will follow the service. Calling hours are Wednesday from 4-7 p.m. at the funeral home. Donations in his memory may be made to Connecticut Hospice, 270 Farmington Ave Suite 229, Farmington, CT 06032. Online messages of remembrance and sympathy may be made at [www.molloyfuneralhome.com](http://www.molloyfuneralhome.com)



# Tribute Wall



“ To Nancy and family,

*I was saddened to hear via Henry VV's class letter about Bill's passing. I was a classmate of Bill at Loomis. I remember him as an athlete and a friend of some of the "day boys" whom I hung out with, though I was a boarder. I have lost my three Yale roommates, all Loomis '51, and it saddens me to learn of yet another passing among our classmates.*

*My sincere condolences.*

*John Foster, Loomis '51##imported-begin##John Foster##imported-end##*

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February 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Nancy and Gretchen,

*Mike and I were so sorry to learn of Bill's death. You are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Though kind words may be of small comfort in the face of your loss, I trust that you will find support in the love of your family and friends and in your warm memories of Bill.*

*With deep sympathy,*

*Kathy Farrell##imported-begin##Kathleen Farrell##imported-end##*

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December 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Nancy, I am so sorry to hear about Bill. We just found out today. He was a good husband to you and father to Gretchen. My sincerest condolences to you all. You are in our thoughts and prayers.  
Chris, Joe, Lauren, and Jackie Kopyt###imported-begin##Christine Kopyt###imported-end##

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December 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Nancy and Gretchen,

*What a terrible loss for you both. I hope you can take comfort from the joy and richness you brought to Bill's life. My prayers are with you now and will continue to be.*

*With sympathy, Mary Farrell###imported-begin##Mary Farrell###imported-end##*

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December 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Nancy & Gretchen,

*Our deepest sympathies for the loss of your husband and father.*

*Sincerely,*

*Joe, Kat, Bret & Brigit Clancy###imported-begin##KATHLEEN CLANCY###imported-end##*

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December 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Nancy,  
*I am so sorry to hear about your loss at Christmas time. May the Baby Jesus and his mother, Mary, comfort you and welcome Bill. Dottie Marks*##imported-begin##Dottie Marks##imported-end##

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December 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Nancy and Gretchen,  
*Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.*

*The Palazzo Family*##imported-begin##Paul and Lynne Palazzo##imported-end##

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December 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Nancy,

*I am so sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. I wish you peace and comfort during this difficult time.*

*Caitlin Eckler*##imported-begin##Caitlin Eckler##imported-end##

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December 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Nancy and Gretchen --

*I'm thinking of you both during this time and hope that you're finding comfort in the love of your friends and family that surrounds you.*##imported-begin##Maureen Murphy##imported-end##

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December 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Gretchen and Mrs. Ladish,  
Thinking of you during this time, my heart aches for your loss. Be as strong as you can, and may the support of those around you give you more strength.##imported-begin##Karen Walker##imported-end##

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December 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ I would like to take this opportunity to extend sympathies to my Aunt Nancy and cousin Gretchen. You will be in my thoughts and prayers as well as my Uncle Bill. My fondest memories of Uncle Bill was his wry sense of humor and his late night snack of ice coffee and horseradish in his younger days. Also watching him play cribbage with my father. Even though the opportunities were few & far between, he will be sadly missed.

Sincerely,

K.C. Ladish##imported-begin##K.C. Ladish##imported-end##

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December 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ As a classmate of Bill for 14 years at St. Thomas the Apostle School, Loomis School, and St. Thomas Seminary, I have many memories of Bill Ladish, all pleasant ones. His unfailingly good spirits, delightful sense of humor and humble unassuming personality, endeared him to all his fellow students. He was admired and looked up to by everyone. At the same time, there was very little for Bill to be humble about! He was an excellent student with leadership qualities, a friend to all, and a simply tremendous basketball and baseball player. I am sure that a baseball player of his talent today would be a very early selection in the MLB draft. I spoke to Bill last year and told him I had been frustrated in our summer baseball games at Fern Park, because no matter how far back in left field I played, he would still hit it over my head! Ralph Erickson, the longtime basketball and baseball coach at Loomis, told me many years later that Bill was the best athlete he had ever coached. This would be a suprise to any of his friends who were not around then, because he never talked about himself. I shall always remember Bill as a truely wonderful man and a real Christian Gentleman. I know that on 12/11/2007, he was greeted with the words we all hope to hear someday: ##imported-begin##Dick Walsh##imported-end##

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December 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Aunt Nancy and Gretchen,

*Please accept our deepest sympathy. You are both in our thoughts and prayers. As you know, my fondest memories of Uncle Bill are iced coffee, cross-stitching and that wonderful sense of humor. Also, I don't remember him swimming in the lake much, but he did alot of "checking" the temperature with his big toe!*

*Love, Mary Jo, Matt, Rachel and Tyler##imported-begin##Mary Jo Ladish Stelmach##imported-end##*

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December 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Nancy,

*You, Bill, and your family have been in our prayers, and we again lift your family up in sympathy for your loss. We pray that you will find comfort in the Lord's promises during this difficult time. In John 14, Jesus tells us, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going."*

*May God surround you with His love, grace, and comfort.*

*With sympathy,*

*Heather Oehme and Tony Bruschino##imported-begin##Heather Oehme##imported-end##*

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December 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Nancy,  
We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.  
Fondly,  
Debbie, Jeff, Joey and Katie Mihalek##imported-begin##Debbie Mihalek##imported-end##

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December 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Nancy,  
My thoughts and prayers are with you and Gretchen. Many prayers have lifted Bill up.  
Love,  
Sally Chave##imported-begin##Sally Chaves##imported-end##

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December 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Nancy and Gretchen, I am truly sorry for your loss. May he rest in peace now that his suffering is finished. May you both find comfort and strength in each other, and in the love and memories you all will continue to share.##imported-begin##Michele A. Gnazzo##imported-end##

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December 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM