



William P. Culshaw

October 5, 2020

William P. Culshaw, 87, of Bloomfield CT passed away peacefully on Monday, October 5th, 2020. Bill was born in New York, New York to William Culshaw of Liverpool, England and Mary (Mollie) Hickey Culshaw of Kildare, Ireland. After graduating from Rice High School, Bill spent 4 years in the US Navy serving as a machinist aboard the USS Manchester (CL-83) during the Korean War. Returning home to NYC, he pursued his love of airplanes by enrolling in the Academy of Aeronautics to study mechanics. Following graduation, he moved to East Hartford and began his lifelong career with Pratt and Whitney Aircraft. In 1959 Bill married his hometown sweetheart Susan (Smith) of NYC. Soon after, he began night school to earn his college degree and in 1965 he graduated from the University of Hartford School of Engineering. Bill spent most of his career at Pratt as a test engineer in the JT9D program, the jet engine designed specifically for jumbo jets like the Boeing 747. This work took him to Toulouse, France for long intervals at Airbus and on an around-the-world-tour with a prototype design. After over four decades with Pratt, Bill retired and then returned the following week for a 10-year career as a consultant at the same desk and phone number. Always Mr. Fix-It, Bill finally decided to pursue that vocation full time.

Bill is survived by his wife Sue of Bloomfield, daughter Alison of Brooklyn NY, brother Paul of Yorktown Heights NY, as well as many nieces and nephews. A funeral Mass will be held at 10am on Friday, October 9th at the Church of St Timothy, 1116 North Main St, West Hartford, CT. In order to adhere to COVID

safety mandates, masks will be required, as well as 6' of social distancing, and a maximum number of 100 participants.

The service will be live-streamed at https://youtu.be/NGAn4ll_B7g

When it is safe to gather, there will be a Memorial Mass to celebrate Bill's life.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Connecticut chapter of the National Kidney Foundation: kidneyCT.org. Online expressions of sympathy may be left at: www.molloyfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

OCT 9. 10:00 AM (ET)

Church of St. Timothy
1116 North Main St
West Hartford, CT 06117
(860) 233-5131

Tribute Wall

PC

“ *R.I.P Bill...the very last words we exchanged on the phone included your thanking me for being a good brother...well you were that...and so much more! Our parents on down were so proud of you and in all the years growing up with you I can't think of anyone you didn't win over as a real friend. It's hard to over estimate The loss that Sue and Alison are feeling. I will always remember you with Love and admiration. Your brother Paul.*

Paul Culshaw - October 11, 2020 at 01:32 PM

MW

“ *Bill and Sue: you have been so very kind to our parents as Balbrae neighbors for so many years. We are forever grateful for you kindness and caring. Bill.....may you rest in peace for a job well done and a life well lived. The Wertheim Family*

mark wertheim - October 09, 2020 at 09:54 AM



“ *You will surely be missed Uncle Bill. Our reunions are something I cherish. I looked forward to your laugh and spending time with you, Aunt Sue and Alison. Rest peacefully. We love you. -Laura, John, Aaron, Carly and Lindsay*

Laura Culshaw McGirr - October 09, 2020 at 09:51 AM

DC

“ 5 files added to the album Memories Album



Darren Culshaw - October 08, 2020 at 08:46 PM

DC

“ *Rest in Peace Uncle Bill. We will miss you greatly during our family get togethers. I am so grateful that we had many wonderful times and memories through the years.*

*Lots of love from the NJ Culshaw clan-
Darren, Marisol, Justin and Kimberly*

Darren Culshaw - October 08, 2020 at 08:38 PM

BM

“ *I worked with Bill at P&W for many years, starting in 1967 in the fuel cell program for a couple of years, then in the JT9D project group for many years. He was a great guy, and will be missed by many of us.*

Bill Murdock - October 08, 2020 at 07:10 PM

SP

“ So sorry for you loss Sue. I will miss Bill a lot. He was very helpful to me during my time at P&W and we became good friends. He was one of the kindest people I have ever met and was always willing to help. For sure I will miss the trips we took together after retirement and our Thursday lunch at Maddie's. God Bless!

Steve Poole

Steve Poole - October 08, 2020 at 04:47 PM

DW

“ Dear Susan and Alison,
What a year this is, and how terribly difficult these times must be for both of you.
I'm so sorry for your loss, in these difficult times. I was very glad read from Alison that he passed peacefully.
It really frustrates me that i cannot fly over to be there with you now. Knowing words cannot sooth, I'd like to wish you both energy, strength and wonderful memories in the weeks to come.
Hugs from both of us - Marc and Diederik

Diederik Oelrich Winkelaar - October 08, 2020 at 01:52 PM



“ With Distinction was purchased for the family of William P. Culshaw.



October 08, 2020 at 01:51 PM

MA

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MaryAnn, Tom, John&Linda, Maureen&Tom, Annemarie&Butch purchased the Bountiful Rose Basket for the family of William P. Culshaw.

MaryAnn, Tom, John&Linda, Maureen&Tom, Annemarie&Butch

- October 08, 2020 at 09:19 AM

JR

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Bill was so talented. Aside from building his own porch, he often helped me with my projects. We spent many holidays, visits and outings together as families do. I will never forget his kind spirit and the times we spent together.

With much sympathy and love, Joan

Hal also sends his heartfelt sympathy. All he repeatedly said was "He was such a nice guy."

Joan and Hal Richman - October 07, 2020 at 07:19 PM



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Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of William P. Culshaw.



October 07, 2020 at 04:09 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of William P. Culshaw.*



October 07, 2020 at 02:54 PM