



William E. Clifford

September 18, 1933 - October 26, 2011

William E. Clifford, 78, of West Hartford and Westbrook, CT, beloved husband of Nancy Grosso Clifford, died on October 26, 2011. He was the son of the late Edward and Helen Clifford of Scarsdale, NY. Born in New York, he made his home in West Hartford since 1965. Bill was a graduate of Cranwell Preparatory School in Lenox, MA, and a graduate of Iona College of New Rochelle, NY. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1952-1956, a stint that included being stationed on the U.S.S. Intrepid as an Atomic Weapons Officer. Bill was employed by Southern New England Telephone SNET Company, working for the Yellow Pages advertising department until he retired in 1991. Bill was a long standing parishioner of the Church of St. Timothy in West Hartford, CT. He was a loving and dedicated father and family man, a champion cribbage player, loved the occasional game of Scrabble and poker, and enjoyed the daily newspaper jumble. The family cottage on the shoreline in Westbrook was his home away from home. Bill is survived by his beloved wife Nancy, with whom he had been married the past 51 years and three children; Elizabeth C. Beisel and her husband Brian of Farmington, CT, Peter J. Clifford and his wife Andrea Orr Clifford of Fairfield, and William E. Clifford II, of Farmington. He leaves six adored grandchildren; Sara, Katherine and Jack Beisel, Charles, John, and Thomas Clifford. His brother, Eugene Clifford and his wife Janice of Danbury, CT, his sister, Carol Clifford of Scarsdale, NY, a brother-in-law Donald Grosso and his wife Kathleen, a sister-in-law Barbara Peterson and her husband Kenneth, and many loved nieces and nephews

also survive him. The family wishes to thank all the wonderful caregivers, especially Laura Holtzhauer of Masonic Care, and the dedicated staff at St. Francis Hospital, most especially, Jorge Rathmann, M.D. and Elaine Scheinblum, R.N. Friends are invited to join Bill's family at the celebration of his Mass of Christian Burial on Monday October 31st at 10:00 a.m. in the Church of St. Timothy 1116 No. Main St. West Hartford, CT. Burial will follow in Fairview Cemetery, West Hartford. Calling hours are Sunday Oct. 30th from 4-7 p.m. in the Molloy Funeral Home 906 Farmington Ave. West Hartford. Bill's family ask that any donations be made to St. Francis Cancer Center, 94 Woodland St. Hartford, CT 06105.

Tribute Wall



“ Bill we will miss you and remember you always, so glad to have spent time with you and we will try to carry on the amazing example you have set for all of us and how we live our lives.##imported-begin##Ethan and Amber Orr##imported-end##

November 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Nancy and family,

Bill and I are sorry we couldn't come to the wake but we were out of power. We would like to say how sorry we are of Bill's passing and our prayers are with you all.##imported-begin##Geri Gibbons##imported-end##

November 01, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ It is evident what an amazing man you were based on the family that you raised and the values that have been carried down. I know that you will be greatly missed by all your friends and family. I will be thinking about you and your family and wishing everyone all the strength, support and comfort during this time.

Angela & Bryan McCormick##imported-begin##McCormick##imported-end##

October 31, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Beth,
Thinking of you and all the family as you say goodbye to your
Dad...for now. Peace, love and a big hug...##imported-begin##Kim
and Debbi Thomas##imported-end##

October 31, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ We are sad not to be able to sit on the deck and enjoy the view with
him this summer.
May God comfort you all especially when he makes the sun shine
onn the water.##imported-begin##Carol & Tom
Lehmann##imported-end##

October 30, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Nancy,
My thoughts and prayers are with through this very difficult time.
Mary Fiamma,
West Hartford##imported-begin##Mary Fiamma##imported-end##

October 30, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Beth and family,
We would like to send peace and prayers to you and your family.
God has a great man to play scrabble with!
love to all, John and Chanin##imported-begin##John & Chanin
Petrucci##imported-end##

October 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ DEAR BETH AND FAMILY, MAY GOD WRAP YOU IN HIS LOVE AND LESSEN YOUR GRIEF. WE WILL MISS BILL. LOVE BARBARA & DICK###imported-begin###BARBARA BEISEL###imported-end##

October 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Cliffy: I know all the Berrys share in your Dad's passing and we are thinking of you and your families during these tough times. I plan on attending the wake and will see you then. With deepest sympathy, Padre'*###imported-begin###Rick Berry Padre'###imported-end##

October 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Bill was a wonderful man. We will miss him greatly. Our thoughts and prayers are with you an your family during this difficult time.*###imported-begin###Nathan and Molly Orr###imported-end##

October 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Peter, Andrea and Family,
Our deepest sympathy. May peace be with you.*

Jim and Janelle###imported-begin###Riley Family###imported-end##

October 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Peter and Family--
My thoughts and prayers are with you.--Barbara*###imported-begin###Barbara Hayes###imported-end##

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