



Arnold E. Tillman

November 26, 1926 - March 17, 2017

Arnold Tillman, 90, of Berlin, widower of Doris (Gosselin) Tillman whom he was married to for 57 years, passed away Friday (March 17, 2017) at the Alzheimer's Resource Center in Plantsville. Born in New Britain, Arnold has been a Berlin resident since 1966. A World War II U.S. Navy Veteran, he served as a Gunners Mate on the U.S.S. Sarita, AKA 39. Arnold was employed as a Field Service Manager for the New Britain Machine Company for 38 years until his retirement in 1990. He was a lifelong member of First Lutheran Church in New Britain; AARP; was a former member and past president of SVEA Social Club; was a member of Unity Lodge AF&AM; and was a member of the USS Sarita Naval Alumni Club. In recent years, Arnold had the honor of appearing in a book entitled, "The Life and Times of Walnut Hill Park" by Alan Chaniewski. Alan wrote the title, "An American Hero – New Britain Style" and wrote a brief history of his life under the photo, which was a full page image. The photo was taken by his sweetheart, Doris.

Surviving is a daughter, Kathleen Cahill and her husband William of Cedar Lake, IN; a daughter, Karen Montana and her husband Peter of Southington; a son, Arnold M. Tillman and his wife Angela of New Hampshire; a daughter, Laura Michaud and her husband Lenny of Berlin; a brother, George Tillman and his wife Lois of Bristol; a sister, Elsa Bullock, of Bloomfield; 8 grandchildren, Brian Cahill and his wife Carol; Jack Cahill and his wife Effie; Kim Grace and her husband Charles; Peter Montana and his wife Laura; Erik

Tillman and his wife Rachel; Jennifer Senick and her husband Frank; Kristine Letendre and Carli Michaud; 10 great grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were private at Carlson Funeral Home, New Britain. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery, New Britain. Donations in Arnold's memory may be made to support Pasta Dinner to First Lutheran Church, 77 Franklin Square, New Britain, CT 06051. Mark "Pasta" in the memo line of a donation or to the Alzheimer's Resource Center, 1261 South Main Street, Plantsville, CT 06479. The Carlson Funeral Home, New Britain assisted the family with arrangements. Please share a memory or note of sympathy with Arnold's family at www.carlsonfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Fairview Cemetery

120 Smalley Street
New Britain, CT 06051

Tribute Wall



“ *Our condolences to the Tillman family. Frank & Maureen Kristopik*

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