



Donald "Red" McEnaney

November 4, 1931 - June 7, 2014

Donald "Red" McEnaney, 82, went to join his high school sweetheart, best friend and wife of fifty years, Patricia Welch McEnaney on Saturday June 7, 2014. Donald was born in November 4, 1931 to Mary Barry McEnaney and John David McEnaney in New Britain General Hospital. He attended local schools and enlisted in the U.S. Air Force Feb 1949. He graduated from Radar School and Volunteered for Korea on June 27th 1950 arriving in Korea in early July 1950. He served three and a half tours in Korea with a mobile Radar Bomb Scoring Unit. Among his decorations are the Korean Conflict Service Medal with Five Battle Stars, the Presidential Citation, and the South Korean Presidential Citation. Upon his discharge honorably, in Oct 1952, he attended Bentley College in Boston and the University of Connecticut. He married his beloved wife Pat on Sept 10, 1955. He worked 33 years in the U.S. Postal Service in Hartford, retiring as Supervisor of Mails in 1986. He then worked 16 years as a sales rep and merchandiser for Hershey Corp retiring in 2002. He was a member of St. Joseph Church, New Britain; was a lifetime member of the 502nd Tactical Control Group; the New Britain Quartette Club and Hartford Surf Club.

He is survived by his sons, Kerry of Naples, FL; and Scott of Colchester; a daughter, Colleen Collins and her husband Russ of East Hampton; two grandsons, Sean and Jamie; and a great granddaughter, Tessa DeBarge; a brother in law, Donald Welch and his wife Barbara of Groton, MA; a very special sister in law, Judith, a friend without whose loyalty and assistance though his lengthy illness, he would never have made it that far. He leaves numerous cousins, nieces and nephews and his faithful companion, his dog Greta. Besides his parents, he was predeceased by brothers, Francis, John and Barry McEnaney; and two sisters Maureen and Kathleen. My deepest thanks to Melanie Stoddard RN and all the staff at the George Bray Cancer Center at the Hospital of Central CT; his family also thanks the entire staff at Marlborough Healthcare & Rehab Center.

Calling hours are Wednesday 8:30 to 9:30 AM at Carlson Funeral Home, 45 Franklin Square, New Britain, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial, 10 AM at St. Joseph's Church, New Britain. Burial with military honors will be in Wilcox Cemetery, East Berlin. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 501 St.

Jude's Place, Memphis, TN 38105. Please share a memory or note of sympathy with Donald's family by clicking on "Send Condolences" at the bottom of this page.

Tribute Wall

MS

“ Donald was kind and dignified. I admired him. He was truly a favorite friend and I enjoyed being a part of his life.

melanie stoddard - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ Although, I was not able to be in CT for the funeral..I am so sorry for you loss...but, as you said, Colleen, your dad is dancing with your mom again and finally, meeting my dad. We better be good these days, as we got them all watching over us, now! I loved your dad, although, I think he thought we were a little crazy, at times.. Remembering the time, we went snow sliding across the street from your home, as adults, and your parents, kinda just shaking their heads at us! All the wonderful get-togethers at your house and Aunt Judy's with your parents...Thank you for being a part of my life and allowing me to know your wonderful dad...My sympathies to the entire family.....Love you always, Colleen!

Marianne Pelletier - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ Scott,we both are so very sorry for your loss. I have been working at the post office for 29 years and to this day I have never met a greater person than your dad. He made me laugh every night. Our sincere sympathy to you and all of your family.So very sorry, Phil and Denise

phil thurz anddenise lantieri - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Colleen and family,

May you find peace and comfort in all of the happy memories your family has of your father during this time.

Hugs and prayers to you all.

Lori Shaffer-McClain - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Colleen, Scott and Kerry,

So sorry for your loss from our family to yours. If only words could heal.. May your memories of your dad bring you strength and comfort at this time of sorrow. You are always in our thoughts.

Maria and Marc Chartier - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Words can't express the sorrow we are feeling for you family. Colleen your dad was a fun loving man until he lost his beloved wife a love like that I've never seen before. I am sure as we all share the sorrow of his passing he is happy again I love you and the family. Judi

Judith and Richard Campanelli - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM