



Howard J. Parsons

April 16, 1925 - March 18, 2009

Howard J. Parsons, 83, husband of the late Dorothy Glatz Parsons, passed away Wednesday March 18, 2009 at the Hospital of Central Connecticut-New Britain General Hospital. Born in New Britain on April 16, 1925, son of the late John A. Parsons and Olga Pekrul Parsons, Howard was a lifelong New Britain resident. He was a graduate of New Britain High School class of 1943 and also graduated from The International Accountants Society in Chicago Illinois in 1952. He retired as President and Chief Executive Officer and Director of Stanley Works Employees Federal Credit Union after 46 years of employment which is now called Nutmeg State Federal Credit Union. He served as Vice President and President of the Leonard Nixon Chapter of the Connecticut Credit Union League and in 1966 he received the "Man of the Year Award" for his meritorious service to fellowmen. In 1970, he received a certificate to the Founders Club from the National Credit Union Administration. He was a member of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church in New Britain where he served as a member of the Finance Board and Treasurer of the Fellowship Club. Howard was a 50 year member of the Unity Lodge No. 148 New Britain Chapter of the Connecticut Freemasons. Howard played drums and was a 50 year member of the Hartford Musicians Local 400 and worked with many local bands such as Mel Tormay, Mickey Gallo, Al DeCarlo, Sam Kimbell and Al Gentile. He also enjoyed Baseball, Football, Horse Racing and Grey Hound Dog Racing.

Surviving Howard is his brother-in-law Warren Glatz and his wife Irene Glatz; four nephews, Gary Glatz and his wife Theresa of North Carolina, Jeffrey Glatz and his wife Carla of Middletown, Michael Glatz of Vieques, Puerto Rico, and Glenn Glatz and his wife Donna of Kensington; a niece, Pamela Grimard of Bolton; two grandnieces, Kristen Glatz and Jennifer Glatz; and three grandnephews, Lyle Glatz, Nicholas Grimard and Dominic Grimard. Howard also leaves behind a close and dear friend Judy Florance of Plainville along with her two daughters Jenna and Annie Florance.

Funeral services will be held Monday 10 AM March 23, 2009 at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, 99 Franklin Square New Britain, CT 06051. Calling hours will be held Sunday 4 to 6 PM March 22, 2009 at Carlson Funeral Home 45 Franklin Square New Britain, CT 06051. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the St. Matthew's Lutheran Church Debt Reduction Fund. Please share a memory or note of sympathy of Howard by "clicking" GUESTBOOK at the bottom of the page.

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“ Howard was a gentleman in the old-fashioned sense of the word: a 'gentle' man. For many years he was a regular at the East Side Restaurant every Friday evening. "His" table was truly his, to the degree that he never had to call for a reservation, he only called if he WOULDN'T be able to make it!

We all looked forward to his arrival, and once he docked his boat of a car, All of the staff and the owners would make it over to his table in turns just to check in for a visit. He became such a fixture that new staff, as part of their training, would be introduced to our VIP very important Parsons. He never did anything to demand this respect...he garnered it by GIVING respect. Unfailingly courteous and kind, it was a pleasure to enjoy his company. More of a listener than a talker, I didn't even know that he WAS a 'big-wig' until a group of women at a banquet pulled me over and asked if I knew that man was "MISTER" Parsons, in this tone of awe...and I think I shocked her by my blatant familiarity in calling him "Howard". These women all filed over to say hello, and I think that speaks highly of a retired executive to have former employees hold him in such high regard.

I never got to meet his wife...but he did host his family now and then, and spoke of them with great affection. He loved his "home town" and we'd share stories of the history of New Britain. He was a part of that fabric, and of the culture at the East Side. While I didn't see him much after I "retired" a few years back, we did still exchange birthday and Christmas cards. And he'd met his good friend and mine! Judy before she'd left the restaurant to give her great affection for the suffering as a health care professional. I hope some of this has conveyed just how much he'll be missed. His wit, his kindness, his graciousness...greatly impressed even those of us on the margins of his life, I condole with how much his family will miss him. Peace, dear friend, FHS, Liz

Beth Doiron - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM