



Norman Charles Preissel

January 19, 1936 - June 14, 2024

Norman C. Preissel, 88, of New Britain, husband of Jean (Bader) Preissel, passed away Friday (June 14, 2024) at Hartford Hospital. A lifelong New Britain resident, he was the son of the late Charles and Margaret (Rosner) Preissel. Norm graduated from New Britain High School, Class of 1954 and served with the US Army at the end of the Korean War. He was employed at CL&P - Northeast Utilities (now Eversource) at their Berlin, Meriden – Cooper St. and Cheshire facilities for 31 years, retiring in 1990.

After his retirement, he had several accomplished careers. He was an official scorekeeper for UConn Men's and Women's Basketball games for 20 years and kept score for CCSU Men's and Women's games for 25 years. Norm coached St. John's Lutheran Church boys' basketball teams at the YMCA Church League, umpired softball and refereed boys and girls high school basketball. For many years until recently, Norm enjoyed a third part-time job as a limousine driver for local New Britain companies where many customers enjoyed his professional driving skills and pleasurable personality. Along with being a longtime member of the Varpas Dramatic Society in New Britain he was also a member of the Donau Austrian – Hungarian Club. He was a long-standing member of St. John's Lutheran Church in New Britain where he served as Treasurer for 11 years.

Besides his wife Jean, he leaves a son, Kerry Preissel and his wife Diane of Southington; a daughter, Kelly Clarke and grandson, Tyler "TC" Clarke, both of Southington; and Tyler's father, James Clarke, also of Southington. Norm

and Jean enjoyed travelling the U.S.A., especially attending many NCAA Woman's Final Fours. He also enjoyed his Friday morning Breakfast Guys gatherings each week for many years.

Funeral services are Friday (June 21, 2024) at 12 PM at Carlson Funeral Home 45 Franklin Sq. New Britain. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery, New Britain. Calling hours are Friday 10AM until the time of the service at Carlson Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Connecticut Humane Society, 701 Russell Road, Newington, CT 06111 or St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105. Please share a memory or note of sympathy at www.carlsonfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Fairview Cemetery

120 Smalley Street
New Britain, CT 06051

Previous Events

Calling Hours

JUN 21. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

CG

“ I remember Norman as the very sweet husband of Jean, who he always called, “the Boss”. His jokes and stories entertained me and I’d think he wasn’t paying attention and was letting Jean take care of him but he’d surprise me every single time at the end of his visits by reciting back everything he had to keep track of, flawlessly. I will miss him and his pleasant ways in the dermatology clinic. Much love to you, Jean, at this difficult time.

Christina Garcia - July 22, 2024 at 07:23 PM

DR

“ Jean, LOVE remains FOREVER. Norm loved his family. He was especially proud of Tyler. UCONN, CCSC, etc., friends= icing on the cake. FEEL us surrounding you & family with love. Deb Reynolds

Deb Reynolds - June 20, 2024 at 03:36 PM

GB

“ Jean my deepest condolences. We just saw you two recently at the UConn game. Norm was my first teacher when I started working college games for Timing Is Everything. We spent many games together working the Big East tournaments that I will never forget. To this day we still refer to Norm’s term for “oddities” during games when the score reflects it. He greatly resembled my dad and will be sorely missed. He was the BEST and represented the standard we all try to achieve! Guy B.

Guy Bourassa - June 18, 2024 at 08:06 AM

JS

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Janet Stanchich - June 18, 2024 at 06:29 AM

JS

“ It is with deepest sympathy to The Preissel Family, upon learning the news of Norman's passing... My Mom, Claire Meyer, enjoyed their company so much since 1985 at St John's EV Lutheran Church and sat just a few pews away Sunday after Sunday. I will always remember Jean and Norman sitting together, in their Sunday radiance and during coffee hour and other church functions. I will never lose that image when I think of them. Norman was a good man, and an active Christian at the church. May he rest in Heavenly Peace, as we believe in our hearts. And, may your shared memories and closest family ties ease your pain at this time of loss. So sorry...

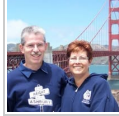


Janet Stanchich - June 18, 2024 at 06:24 AM

RS

“ Norm and I worked many funerals together, he made those cold mornings in the funeral home parking lots along with the hot summer ones also go by a little quicker. I'll miss the "ole buzzard", Rest in peace ole friend..
Dick Simonides.

Richard Simonides - June 17, 2024 at 04:32 PM



I am heartbroken to hear of Norm's passing. Norm was my partner in crime - sitting side by side working together at all UConn basketball games. He was the supreme professional, keeping all of the details in the scorebook flawlessly. I took up basketball scorekeeping after Norm retired from it, but have never mastered his level of quality, though I do still use a few of his scoring quirks in his honor. When we no longer worked together, I looked forward to getting his occasional emails filled with slightly off color jokes. He had a way of keeping the courtside mood light while still being 100% focused on his job which made all of us who worked with Norm always look forward to sharing the day with him. Jean, Kerry and Kelly - my blessings to you; thank you for sharing Norm with us. Tom Weston

Tom Weston - June 17, 2024 at 07:26 PM

SA

On behalf of the New Britain Public Library –

Jean, we are sending our sincere condolences to you and your family. We are deeply saddened by Norman's passing.

Norman was a favorite patron of ours at our library. We enjoyed our brief encounters with you, Jean and Norman, both of you always smiling and a complete pleasure to serve. We would frequently spot him at the puzzle table completely involved in it. Norman will be sorely missed here. Jean, we hope that you will continue to visit us.

With love, The Circulation Staff

Susan Atwood - June 20, 2024 at 12:27 PM

JW

Jean, God Bless you and Norm. Norm and I grew up together back in the 1040's. At times he was a fixture at our house on Vance Street. The 80 plus ensuing years has been filled with friendship and devotion. We schooled together , did the Army bit together, although in different parts of the world. With he (and you, Jean in Ct) and I in NY with my career, communication was difficult. But with Norm and You, it was keep in touch, a little more so in the last 30 years. Norm is the only person I know of that was retired longer, then when he was employed. Come on now, give me a break Norm. NORMAN PRIESSEL WAS A "REAL MAN'S MAN, and shale be remembered as such. God Bless You Both, with a ditto to your family as well. John Wosczyzna and "Chloe II"

John Wosczyzna - June 20, 2024 at 03:28 PM

AE

Jean we were very saddened to hear of the loss of Norm . Our deepest condolences to you and your family.

Art and Pat Eza Murrells Inlet South Carolina

Art and Pat Eza - June 21, 2024 at 06:29 PM