



Philip E. Bouchard

September 17, 1942 - October 30, 2006

Philip E. Bouchard, 64, of Newington, husband of Nancy Growski Bouchard, died Monday October 30, 2006 in New Brunswick, New Jersey. Born in New Britain, son of the late Leon Bouchard and mother Marie Plourde Bouchard, he moved to Newington in 1965. Phil was a bus driver for the Dattco Bus Company for the past 38 years and was stricken Sunday while on a bus trip through New Jersey. He was a member of the Church of the Holy Spirit in Newington and St. Jean Baptist Society in New Britain.

Besides his wife Nancy, he leaves three sons, Joseph Bouchard and his fiancée Marie Gaszek of Newington; Evan Bouchard of Bridgeport; and Jeffrey Bouchard and his wife Ronda of Largo, FL; two daughters, Dawn Bouchard and her fiancé Anthony Trigilio of Abbeville, SC and Rebecca Valley and her husband Albert, also of Abbeville; three brothers, Lee Ashmore and his wife Sharon of New Britain; Gary Ashmore of Willimantic; and David Ashmore and his wife Joni of Thomaston; a sister, Helen Munoz and her husband George of Carney's Point, NJ; six grandchildren, Ryan, Nicole, Evan, Jonathon, Austin and John; several nieces and nephews. Besides his parents, he was predeceased by his step mother, Rita Rousseau Bouchard and a sister, Shirley Beaupre.

Funeral services are Thursday evening 8:30 PM at Carlson Funeral Home, 45 Franklin Square, New Britain. Calling hours are Thursday evening from 5:30

to 8:30 PM. Memorial donations may be made to the Connecticut Children's Medical Center, 282 Washington Street, Hartford, CT 06106. Please share a memory or note of sympathy by clicking on "GUESTBOOK" at the bottom of this page.

Tribute Wall

JL

“ *Dear Nancy and Family*

So sorry about your loss! Remembering Phil goes back to my school days in Maine. When neighbors move to the city you kind of lose track of them. One day my son came home and said he met a 'French' kid. His last name is 'Bouchard'. Oh! What's his dad's name...yep it was Phil. Living down the street from us. Nancy, you and Phil were the perfect couple. It was a pleasure and always felt welcomed being around you two. His kind disposition will be missed. Keep in touch! We have to catch up on our scrabble game. Deepest Sympathy, Jackie Landry

Jackie Landry - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ *We've known him as Phil - the BEST bus driver AAA has ever had. We just had the pleasure of riding with Phil in the front seats of his new big red bus to Hilton Head, SC. He was so excited about seeing his two daughters and two grandchildren down there. We had the pleasure of meeting them at the pool on Wednesday. He was so happy and proud. We were looking forward to our next trip with Phil. We will surely miss him and his great sense of humor. Our prayers and thoughts go out to all that cherished and loved him. May his memory be eternal. Fondly, Paul and Barbara Miller*

Paul and Barbara Miller - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ *To Phil's Family,
I am so pleased that over the last three years working for women's basketball, I had the opportunity to meet Phil and travel under his steady hand with the University of Hartford Women's Basketball Team. Phil took excellent care of his "team" and was a devoted fan! I will miss him very much. Sincerely,*

Laurie Fasciano - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ *Dear Nancy,*

I want to extend my deepest sympathy to you and your family. Lindsay Whitin and myself have traveled for many years with Phil on AAA bus trips. In fact, we were with him this past weekend. You might remember us - we have been on a trip or two with you in the past we generally sit in the first two seats in the front of the bus. I am sorry I was unable to attend the wake, but I wanted you to know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Phil was a great guy and we enjoyed many trips with him. I know you will miss him greatly. I would have sent a sympathy card to your house, but I did not know your address, but I wanted to be sure to get a message to you.

Sincerely,

Sheila White

Sheila M. White - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ To the family of Philip Bouchard, My dear friend, Meg, told me about this year's shopping trip to PA; and of their Bus Driver Phil, falling ill while transporting the bus home. Phil was the group's annual Driverand a true professional, well-trusted driver he was and a sweet, kind gentleman. I'd like to extend my sincere condolences in the passing of your beloved, husband, father, grandfather and brother. Life is eternal.
Respectfully,

Louise K. Gallagher - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Dear Nancy and Family
We are so sorry for your loss.
Phil will be missed by a lot of people.
One thing you can count on is he will never be forgotten. Please if there is anything at all we can do let us know.

Our Deepest Sympathy
Love
Jackie and Bob Hebert

Jackie Hebert - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ From AQUA POOL & PATIO
We send out deepest Sympathy to the Bouchard Family.

Jess Monteleone @ Aqua Pool - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

OO

“ I MET PHIL 12 YEARS AGO WHEN I START AT DATTCO LIKE SCHOOL BUS DRIVER BUT 3 YEARS LATER I BECAME MOTOR COACH OPERATOR AND HIS SUPPORT PUT ME WHERE I,M NOW THANKS PHIL FOR YOU HELP I WILL MISS YOU NANCY MY HEART IS WITH YOU.

Orlando Briceno dattco motor coach operator - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ Nancy,
My heart grieves for you and the family. Phil will be truly missed here at Dattco. I will miss my morning sessions with Phil. God, he loved to drive and I will never forget his love and knowledge of Sports.If anyone knew anything, Phil did! He was loved by many, Hated by none. May he Rest in Peace.

Mark Rackliffe, Dattco MotorCoach Dispatch - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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Dispatch

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JC

“ Grief never ends, But it changes. It’s a passage, Not a place to stay.

The sense of loss Must give way, If we’re to value The life that was lived.

Grief is not a sign of weakness, Nor a lack of faith, It is the price of love.

Jennifer Cotter - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ I am deeply saddened by the passing of an old and dear friend. We first met over forty years ago when he worked for C R & L and I worked for Corbin Avenue Bus. We would almost every morning have a cup of coffee together at the W.T. Grant on main street . I shall think of him often. My heart goes out to his grieving family.

Rick Roderick - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ Phil was the best driver! I always looked forward to the AAA trips as I knew we would have lots of fun and laughs if Phil was driving. He was a good man and will be sorely missed. It was Phil who ensured our safety last Sunday night while driving back to CT. I will always be grateful to him for saving our lives on that bus.

Lindsay Whitin - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BK

“ Nancy: Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family on the loss of Phil.

Bob & Judy Kelley - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PJ

“ *Thanks for all the trips with the company to the casino and helping me with pointers on doing motorcoach. You will be missed. My condolence to the family & God Bless..Rest in Peace*

PAUL.T.KRISH JR - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM