



Royal W. Hadfield, Sr.

September 29, 1919 - July 2, 2007

Royal W. Hadfield, Sr., 87, of Berlin, husband of Cecelia “Ceil” Hadfield, passed away Monday July 2, 2007 at Hospital of Central Connecticut in New Britain. Born in Providence, RI, he was a former New Britain resident, moving to Berlin in 1957. A former football player and graduate of Plainville High School, Class of 1938, he joined his fathers’ sports shop in 1935 and began operating the store himself in 1942. He moved Hadfield’s Sport Shop from New Britain to Berlin in 1978 and retired in 1986. Royal was a member of the South Church in New Britain; the New Britain Sports Hall of Fame; and was a life member of New Britain Elk’s Lodge 957. He was a former member of the Berlin Lions Club; a former member and past president of the New Britain Exchange Club; and was a corporator of New Britain General Hospital, the New Britain Boys and Girls Club; and the New Britain YMCA.

Besides his wife Ceil, he leaves two sons, Royal W. “Rod” Hadfield, Jr. of France; and Robert Hadfield and his wife Elizabeth of New Britain; a brother, Charles Hadfield and his wife Margaret of Bristol; three sisters, Mitzi Salomone and her husband Frank and Doris St. Thomas, both of Eastham, MA; and Lois Lindstrom and her husband Richard of Taquesta, FL; five grandchildren, Tyrone Hadfield and his wife Kimberly, Christian Hadfield, Angelica Trenholm and her husband Michael, Kristina Cord and Sarah Freel and her husband Stephen; two step grandchildren, Ryan and Kaitlyn Love; 10 great grandchildren; several nieces and nephews. Royal was predeceased by

a granddaughter, Amy Hadfield; and two brothers, Melvin and Robert Hadfield.

Funeral services are Saturday 9:30 AM at South Church, 90 Main Street, New Britain. Burial will be in Maple Cemetery, Berlin. Calling hours are Friday evening 6 to 8 PM at Carlson Funeral Home, 45 Franklin Square, New Britain. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Lung Association, 45 Ash Street, East Hartford, CT 06108-3272. Please share a memory or note of sympathy by clicking on "GUESTBOOK" at the bottom of this page.

Tribute Wall

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“ *My prayers are with you Ceil, Rod, Bobby, Charlie & Margie, Doris, and all of your family. So many great Hadfield's Sport Shop memories while growing up; counting fish hooks and gym suits at inventory time with Bobby especially. So many good times spent with all of you. Royal will be missed.*

Peace and joy always.

Corby A. Coperthwaite, Ph.D. - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ *My Grandfather Royal was an incredible man that I already miss very much. May he rest in peace. We love you Grandpa, Sarah, Steve, Meghan and Stephen*

Sarah Freel - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ *I was saddened to recently read of the loss of Mr. Hadfield...always Mr. Hadfield to me. I had the pleasure of working at Hadfield's for 3 years in the mid '70's while in high school with Bob and Walt and I always thought I had the best job in town for any kid my age. Seeing Royal walk through the front door always with a smile from ear to ear was a regular treat. Thanks for giving me the opportunity to learn about taking the best care of life long customers. Our prayers and thoughts go out to your entire family during this time of loss. Please pass our best wishes and prayers to Bob Hadfield and his family from a couple old friends.*

*Sincerely,
Dan & Fran Gentile*

Daniel Gentile - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM