



Warren Elliott Kingsbury

May 3, 1923 - January 14, 2010

Warren Elliott Kingsbury, 86, of Berlin passed away suddenly Thursday, January 14th. The former Mayor of Berlin was married sixty five years to his high school sweetheart, Elsie Jugo Kingsbury. He was the son of George Elliott Kingsbury and Ethel Oquist Kingsbury. As a child his strong commitment to community involvement began with his mother and the Salvation Army band. He was an avid fan of the Boston Red Sox and the UConn Women's Basketball team. He thoroughly enjoyed political discussions, cooking for gatherings of family and friends, attempting golf and sharing stories. While traveling as a sales representative, restaurant to restaurant, he delighted in complimenting chefs and gathering their secrets of good dining. He served as a 1st Lieutenant in the Army during WWII. He was employed for 35 years at North and Judd as manager of sales and operations and until this year with its successor Buckles International Inc. Daily he worked diligently on behalf of the New Britain Industrial Museum, having been known as Mr. New Britain for his astounding knowledge of the history of the Hardware Capitol of the world. He served as Mayor of Berlin, chairman of the school board, United Way campaign and the Republican Town Committee, deputy mayor, chairman of many political campaigns and currently a very active member of the Berlin Kiwanis Club. He was a corporator of the Klingberg Family Center, a member of the CT Breast Health Initiative serving as transportation chairman for the Race in the Park and was honored by the Greater New Britain Arts Alliance for recognition of his outstanding

contribution to the promotion of the arts and as Mr. Music as the oldest living band member of the original New Britain High School band with Doc Mirliani as band leader. As a husband, father, grandfather, friend and community leader he understood what words like family, love, friendship, compassion and giving really mean and he lived his life to those high standards. He will be remembered for his accomplishments as mayor of Berlin and his willingness to work across party lines. Years after leaving office, he led the successful bipartisan campaign to preserve the council-manager form of government in Berlin, and researched and worked to establish a strong recycling program in the area, having visited a state of the art recycling facility in France. He was thrilled to have experienced a Berlin/New Britain football contest, saying that, either way, he wins. He and his wife enjoyed traveling to visit with family and friends worldwide. He will be remembered for his love of family and friends, as a devoted patriot, and a conservative American, a loving community activist with a strong commitment to our country and its future, with generosity beyond compare, for his long stories and for his great sense of humor. He was predeceased by a daughter Phyllis Kingsbury and a brother Walter Buddy Kingsbury. In addition to his wife, he leaves behind daughters Diane Mrs Randy Pulito of Naples, FL, Leslie Kingsbury Mrs Les Strong of Manchester, Marie Mrs Patrick Martin of Fort Myers, FL and a son Warren Jeffrey Kingsbury of Windsor Locks, grandchildren Kenneth and Amy Catlin of Plantsville, Warren Catlin of Sarasota, FL, Darren and Jean Pulito of Moorestown, NJ, Allison and Jonathan Lubert of Philadelphia, PA, Joseph and Lauren Martin of Barrington, NH, Daniel Martin of Pittsburgh, PA, James Jeffrey Kingsbury and Christopher Douglas Kingsbury of Berlin, and their mother, Wendy Kingsbury, David and Cristina Strong of Virginia, Kristin and Reese Tingey of Coventry; great grandchildren Ryan and Lindsey Catlin, Jack and Brooks Pulito and Keeley Martin, Olivia and Angelica Strong, Connor and Kayla Tingy; nieces and nephews Randall, Beth and Emily Judd, Margery, Lee and Elizabeth Chase, Laura Taylor, Ralph Jugo and Celeste Mrs Donnie Oliver, and a cousin, Elsie Johnson of Manchester. He was predeceased also

by sisters-in-law Henrietta Jugo Judd, Phyllis Jugo Humphrey and Jessica Kennedy Jugo and brothers-in-law Clovis Jugo and Howard Humphrey.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday 1 PM at Kensington Congregational Church, 312 Percival Avenue, Kensington. Calling hours are Monday 4 to 8 PM at Carlson Funeral Home, 45 Franklin Square, New Britain. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the New Britain Industrial Museum, 185 Main Street, New Britain, CT 06051. Please share a memory or note of sympathy by clicking on "GUESTBOOK" at the bottom of this page.

Tribute Wall

BR

“ Warren's caring and sensitivity to other peoples needs always impressed me. A good man who did a lot for his fellow men.He'll bve missed

Bob Rackliffe - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GR

“ May Almighty God of tender mercies Comfort the Kingsbury family
2Co.1:3,4,
The hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and Come out, Almighty God will wipe out every tears from their eyes and death will be no More, His HOPE and PROMISE SOON TO BE ATTAIN,
May these thoughts be of some Comfort.
gingerrobinson@bellsouth.net

Ginger Robinson - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ Kingsbury Family,
Though your lose of a loved one is hard, remember to keep the loving memories close at heart and relive them often. My heartfelt sympathy go out to your entire family at this most difficult of times.

Beth Clemens Campanelli - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ Our sincere condolences to the Kingsbury family members. A great loss to the community for all the contributions he has made over the years.

Claudia, Chuck and Aimee Turcotte

Claudia Michalak Turcotte - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ I was so saddened to hear about Warren's passing. I worked with Warren for many years at the CT Breast Health Initiative where he will be greatly missed. He was a kind, wonderful, humorous, caring and loving person. My sympathies to Elsie, Leslie and the rest of his family.

Linda Williams - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ To the Kingsbury and Judd Families,

Once your sorrows over this sudden loss have subsided you will be able to proudly celebrate the life of Warren. Although I did not have the pleasure of knowing Warren his contributions to society and devotion to family and friends is very apparent.

With my sympathy

Dave Hourigan
friend and co-worker of Randy Judd

Dave Hourigan - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ Memories are never forgotten, and yes there are many, but not enough space to write. From Fernstead Lane till now, Warren's sense of humor will be truly missed. A man Loved by many and hated by none. Warren, may you rest in peace and Elsie, may the good Lord give you the strength to carry on.

With Deepest Sympathies,
Mark and Karen Rackliffe

Mark and Karen Rackliffe - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM