



William "Dutch" Schroeder

July 19, 1927 - September 1, 2003

William "Dutch" Schroeder, 76, of Southington, beloved husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather, passed away peacefully on Monday September 1, 2003 after a long and courageous battle with heart disease and leukemia. A well-known businessman in the Berlin area, Dutch was a partner in D & D Auto Body in New Britain and Berlin until he opened Berlin Auto Center in 1959. He retired in 1989.

Dutch lived in Berlin until his retirement, moved to East Haddam for 10 years, before moving to Southington in 1999. He was an avid hunter and fisherman his entire life. His love of the sea and boating brought great joy to scores of people who enjoyed "The Hatteras" for many years.

Dutch saw service in WW II when as a young man, he enlisted in the Navy and was immediately put into the "SeaBees", where he was given great responsibility building airstrips and bridges on both Okinawa and Saipan for the advancing troops. He was a former longtime member of the Berlin Volunteer Fire Department.

Surviving is his loving wife, Sandra Hall Ball-Schroeder of Southington; two sons, William N. Schroeder Jr. and his wife Carol of Guilford, VT; and Glenn Schroeder of Berlin; his three daughters, Agatha Tilford and her husband Wayne of Newington; Cheryl Sak and her husband Michael of Kensington; and Darice "Darcie" Aresimowicz and her husband James of Wethersfield; 6 grandchildren, William and Agatha Hueller of New Britain, William and Katherine Schroeder of Guilford, VT; Courtney and Melanie Sak of

Kensington; a great granddaughter, Agatha Hueller of New Britain; also, his wife's children, Arthur Ball, Jr of Berlin, Robert Ball and his wife Kathy of Berlin; Robin Sanders and her husband Donald of Rathburn, Idaho; and two grandchildren. He is also survived by two sisters, Lois Scagliotti and June Calderone and her husband Vito, all of Berlin; many nieces, nephews, and hundreds of friends. Dutch was predeceased by his parents, William P. and Helen Wallace Schroeder; two sisters, Elizabeth Bishop and Dorothy Daley; and an infant brother, Richard Schroeder.

Funeral services are Thursday 10 AM at Berlin Congregational Church, 878 Worthington Ridge, Berlin. Burial with military honors will be in Maple Cemetery. Calling hours are Wednesday 5 to 8 PM at Carlson Funeral Home, 45 Franklin Square, New Britain. Memorial donations may be made to the Helen & Harry Grey Cancer Center, c/o Hartford Hospital, 80 Seymour Street, Hartford, CT 06102; or to the American Heart Association, 5 Brookside Drive, Wallingford, CT 06492; or donate blood in Dutch's name to the American Red Cross. Please share a memory of Dutch with his family on our online guestbook by clicking "sign memorial guestbook" at the top or bottom of the page.

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“ *Sandy & family,
Our deepest sympathies. May
Dutch be in a better place
that we can only look forward
to. I will be calling you very
soon. M*

Mary & Ken Bates - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ *William "Dutch" Schroeder*

Agatha @ Tom - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM