



Mr. A. Richard Chretien

March 31, 1934 - July 31, 2022

Mr. A. Richard Chretien, 88, of Pittsfield, passed away on Sunday, July 31, 2022, surrounded by his loving family. Born in Pittsfield, MA, on March 31, 1934, the son of the late Joseph and Isabelle Brassor Chretien, he graduated from St. Joseph High School.

Most recently, Richard was employed by General Electric, where he worked as a wiring technician. It was from there that he dedicated 15 years until his retirement in 1982. Before his job at General Electric, Richard also worked at Edwards Upholstery Shop, St. Mary's Parish, and Greylock Plastics, all in Pittsfield.

Among many things, he enjoyed hunting, camping, and family vacations to Hampton Beach.

Richard was the first person in Western, MA to undergo open heart surgery, and the third to undergo heart surgery with the then newly developed heart/lung machine.

Richard was predeceased by his beloved wife of nearly 65 years, the former Patricia Bullwinkel, whom he married on June 20, 1953. He leaves behind his children, Michael Chretien (Christine), Mark Chretien (Gina), and John Chretien (Melanie), as well as 6 grandchildren, nine greatgrandchildren, and several nieces and nephews. Besides his wife, Richard was predeceased by

his siblings, Edward (Jean), Robert, Charles (Julie), and Bernard.

Funeral Notice:

Funeral services for Mr. A. Richard Chretien will be Thursday, August 4, 2022, with a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 11 am at Sacred Heart Church, celebrated by the Rev. Steven Montesanti, Pastor. There will be an hour of visitation prior to the service from 9:30 am to 10:30 am at the Dwyer Funeral Home, 776 North Street, Pittsfield MA 01201. In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory can be made directly to HospiceCare in the Berkshires, 877 South Street, Ste 1W, Pittsfield MA 01201.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 4. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Dwyer Family Funeral Home
776 North Street
Pittsfield, MA 01201
(413) 442-5094
info@dwyerfuneral.com
<https://www.dwyerfuneral.com/>

Service

AUG 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

Sacred Heart Church
191 Elm St.
Pittsfield, MA 01201

Tribute Wall



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. A. Richard Chretien.*



August 03, 2022 at 05:00 PM



“ *Deepest condolences to the whole family from Roberta and Richard Kowalczyk.*

roberta Kowalczyk - August 03, 2022 at 11:53 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Mr. A. Richard Chretien.*



August 03, 2022 at 10:49 AM



“ 32 files added to the album Life Tributes



Dwyer Funeral Home Inc. - August 02, 2022 at 02:26 PM