



## Mr. Alberico "Bill" DiNicola

September 14, 1927 - November 24, 2016

Mr. Alberico "Bill" DiNicola, 89, of West St., Pittsfield, passed away on Thanksgiving, November 24, 2016, surrounded by his family at the home of his son, Billy. Born on September 14, 1927, the son of Tomasso and Maria Biagini DiNicola, he was a 1945 graduate of St. Joseph High School. A three-sport athlete at St. Joe, Bill was once called "the diminutive spark plug" in a newspaper write-up for his electrifying basketball performance. In fact, Bill's image, in a basketball uniform, was chosen to be part of the multi-sport mural that adorns the Pittsfield Boys Club today.

Mr. DiNicola was a WWII veteran serving in the US Navy.

He worked as a Composer for the Berkshire Eagle for 43 years, retiring in 1991.

His three sons fondly referred to him as "Gadabout" after the pioneering television fisherman. No matter the location or circumstances, Bill always found a way to catch a nice trout, even when no one else got a bite.

Bill was long time coach of youth sports, enjoyed golf and was a stalwart member of the Pittsfield GEAA "Roto Rooter" league. He had a passion for college basketball and was the creator and Commissioner of the DiNicola Final Four. Bill loved the arts and was an avid reader. He enjoyed traveling to Italy, Cape Cod and anywhere his children or grandchildren took him. He became quite the painter late in his life -- several of his works are proudly displayed in his family's homes. Bill was the life of the party, often singing into the wee hours, and then playing Camelot on the stereo the next morning while

cooking breakfast for everyone.

Nothing made Bill more proud or brought more fulfillment than watching the achievements of his grandchildren -- be it sporting events, graduations, or job promotions.

Mr. DiNicola was predeceased by his wife, the former Christine E. "Teeny" Volin , whom he married on October 8, 1949 in St. Mark's Church. She passed away on November 17, 2011.

He is survived by his 5 children, Patty Douillet and her husband Roger of Pittsfield, Billy DiNicola and his wife Lisa of Dalton, Jeff DiNicola of Huntersville, NC, Peter DiNicola, Captain USCG (RET) and his wife Phyllis of Mt. Pleasant, SC and Beth Couturier and her husband Russ of Worcester, MA; 9 grandchildren, Nicole (Liana) and William Douillet, LeiAnna O'Laughlin, Casey, Chrissy, Lauren and Cathie DiNicola and Megan (Rob) and Jack Brunell and a great grandson, Cruz. He was predeceased by two brothers, Angelo DiNicola and Thomas DiNicola and a sister, Amelia Bordeau.

Funeral Notice:

Funeral services for Mr. Alberico "Bill" DiNicola will be Monday, November 28, 2016 at 10 a.m. from the Dwyer Funeral Home, 776 North St., Pittsfield MA with a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 11 a.m. at St. Charles Church, celebrated by the Rev. A. Peter Gregory, pastor. Burial with full military honors will follow in St. Joseph Cemetery. Calling hours at the funeral home will be Sunday, November 27, 2016, from 2 to 4 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to HospiceCare in the Berkshires or to Little Smiles (a charity benefiting terminally ill children in Charlotte, NC), or to Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing, attention Charleston, SC Program (a charity that assists disabled Veterans) care of the Dwyer Funeral Home, in his memory. DONATIONS CANNOT BE MADE ONLINE, but may be made through the Dwyer Funeral Home.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Joseph Cemetery

222 Peck's Rd.  
Pittsfield, MA 01201

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 27. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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

## Service

NOV 28. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Charles Church  
89 Briggs Ave.  
Pittsfield, MA 01201  
<http://stcharlespittsfield.org/>

# Tribute Wall

JC

“ Marla and I send our deepest condolences on the loss of the "Godfather." Heaven has gained a true legend and he is reunited with Teenie and maybe even Little Bits. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

Love to all,

John & Marla Cronin

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John Cronin - November 27, 2016 at 02:13 PM

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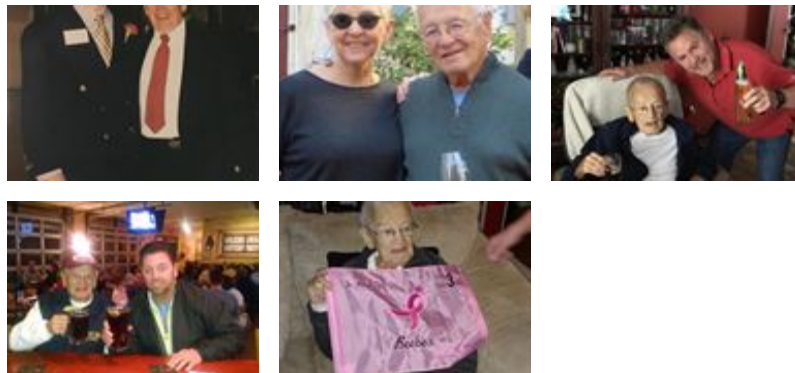
“ Dear Patty and Roger,  
Jerry and I were so saddened to hear of the passing of your Dad. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. I know you will take joy in all the memories you have. Sincerely Jerry and Mary Lou DiCicco

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Mary Lou DiCicco - November 27, 2016 at 02:03 PM



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Dwyer Funeral Home Inc. - November 27, 2016 at 11:42 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Alberico "Bill" DiNicola.



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November 27, 2016 at 11:27 AM



“ Peter, Jeff, Billy and Family,  
We are all very saddened to hear about your father. Our deepest sympathy to the extended DiNicola family. We were very fortunate to know your Dad. He brought a spark to the room when you were in his company. We have some very fond memories. He was a classic gentleman. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. Eileen, Pat, Mary Beth, and all the Faulkner's

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**Pat Faulkner** - November 27, 2016 at 10:03 AM



“ Dear Patty Roger and Billy I was so saddened to hear of Bill's passing please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and the entire family.....I remember spending time with Bill, Angelo, Tommy and Emilia as a kid on Curtis Terrace. Im sure he will be missed may he rest in peace Love Ed DiNicola

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**Ed DiNicola** - November 27, 2016 at 03:17 AM



“ Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Alberico "Bill" DiNicola.



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November 26, 2016 at 09:45 PM

RS

“ To my dear life long friends, the DiNicolas',

*Your Dad and Mom raised a wonderful, loving family, you should all be proud of the love they brought to all the people in their world and beyond.*

*All our thoughts and prayers.*

*Love, the Sinopoli Family*

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**Richard Sinopoli** - November 26, 2016 at 04:29 PM

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**Lisa DiNicola** - November 26, 2016 at 02:08 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams* was purchased for the family of Mr. Alberico "Bill" DiNicola.



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November 26, 2016 at 12:52 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Alberico "Bill" DiNicola.*



November 26, 2016 at 10:55 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Alberico "Bill" DiNicola.*



November 26, 2016 at 09:25 AM



“ *It was always a pleasure to see Bill out and about around Pittsfield. He always had a smile, a handshake and a kind word. He will be missed. My sympathies to his friends family. Brian S.*

**Brian Staubach** - November 26, 2016 at 08:15 AM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Mr. Alberico "Bill" DiNicola.*



November 26, 2016 at 07:33 AM

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**Jeff DiNicola** - November 26, 2016 at 07:31 AM