



Mr. David L. Pursell

February 7, 1943 - October 12, 2025

On Sunday, October 12, 2025, David left his earthly home to join his son, Scott David, his parents Norma and Ken Pursell, several members of the Miller family, and many friends in God's Celestial Kingdom.

Dave was born in Buffalo, NY, on February 7, 1943, graduated from the University of New Hampshire with a degree in Engineering and later from the University of Massachusetts with a Masters in Marketing.

The highlight of Dave's life was his marriage to Catherine "Candy" Miller, his wife of 59 years. Together they raised three sons in Dalton, MA.: Scott David (deceased), Kenneth Mark, and Todd Victor. After 30 years with General Electric and General Dynamics, they retired to their beloved home in Lavonia, GA. They traveled extensively, making friends here and abroad, and, two years ago, returned to the Dalton area.

Dave is survived by his wife, Candy, his sons, Ken (Paula) Pursell, and Todd Pursell. He leaves his sister, Judy Pursell Marshall, daughter-in-law Cathy Pursell Bryant. Dave is also survived by his grandchildren, Connor and Emmeline Pursell, Kevin Pursell, Jackie Drosehn (Chris), and Matt Solomon as well as four great grandchildren, Elliot and Anderson Drosehn, and Ryleigh and Addalyn Pursell, all of whom he adored. He leaves two nephews, Benjamin and Daniel Marshall, as well as several cousins, friends, and Miller

relatives.

Dave enjoyed golfing, fishing, traveling, and barbecuing. Most of all, however, he loved his family and friends and enjoyed every moment with them. He will be greatly missed but always remembered.

Funeral Notice:

Funeral Services for Dave will be Saturday, October 25, 2025, with a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 11am at St. Agnes Church in Dalton celebrated by the Rev. Brian McGrath, Pastor. The family will be available for greeting an hour prior to the service. Burial will be at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Dave's memory can be made to the "American Kidney Fund", in care of the Dwyer Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **25**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Agnes Church
489 Main St.
Dalton, MA 01226

Service

OCT **25**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Agnes Church
489 Main St.
Dalton, MA 01226

Tribute Wall



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. David L. Pursell.



October 24, 2025 at 03:26 PM



“ John and Paula Gifford planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. David L. Pursell.

John and Paula Gifford - October 24, 2025 at 03:26 PM



“ Ryan & Joyce Collins purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. David L. Pursell.



Ryan & Joyce Collins - October 21, 2025 at 04:16 PM

DB

“ Dave was our fun loving friend our relationship started at Keene(NH) High School, onto UNH, W. MA.and into retirement . He & Candy already in GA when we moved to the Hilton Head Area, SC, they were our shelter in the storm when we had to evacuate due to hurricanes. We called it “ our hurrication”. Dave & Candy were wonderful hosts. Dave as the grill master fed us some of his favorite meals.We had so much fun at their beautiful lakefront home. So many happy memories that will sustain us forever of a great man and friend. We send our heartfelt sympathy to Candy💕, the boys and extended family. God bless them all.



Donna & Frank Brown - October 18, 2025 at 03:23 PM