



Mr. Edward "Doc" Messer

December 16, 1926 - October 9, 2017

Edward Raymond "Doc" Messer, Jr., 90, of Pittsfield, passed away Monday, October 9, 2017. Born in Lenox on December 16, 1926, he was the son of Dr. Edward Raymond and Gertrude Mahanna Messer.

Doc graduated from Lenox High School before enlisting in the United States Navy, where he served aboard the USS Barnes as a Pharmacist Mate during WWII. He served again in the Korean War as a Hospital Corpsman on the USS Edgecombe.

Doc lived in Pittsfield and worked for GE prior to his retirement. He was a loyal communicant of Sacred Heart Church and lifetime member of both the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Doc leaves behind his wife of 67 years, the former Patricia Ann Cahalan. He will be dearly missed by his 5 children, Edward Messer III; Maureen Abramson and her husband Michael; Katherine Benedetti and her husband Gery; Michael Messer and his wife Marsha; and Timothy Messer and his wife Amy. He also leaves his 8 grandchildren, Gery Benedetti and his wife Anemone; Kathleen Jasper and her husband Jeremy; Caryn Selph and her husband Steve; Leigh Heffernan and her husband Jim; and James, Mark, Ellen, and Kellie Messer; and 4 great grandchildren; Jocelyn Jasper, Wiley Benedetti, and Thomas and Peter Heffernan.

Doc was preceded in death by his sister, Marion Heaton, and his brother, William Messer.

Funeral Notice:

Funeral services for Edward Raymond Messer, Jr. will be held Monday, October 16, 2017 with a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church, celebrated by Rev. John Roach. Burial will follow at St. Joseph Cemetery. Calling hours will be Sunday, October 15, 2017 from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. at the Dwyer Funeral Home, 776 North St., Pittsfield, MA. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Donate Life New England Volunteer Group at www.neob.org/monetary-donations/, or through the Dwyer Funeral Home, in his memory.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **15**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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

Service

OCT **16**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Sacred Heart Church
191 Elm St.
Pittsfield, MA 01201

Tribute Wall

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“ *Katti and family,
Our sincere condolences on the passing of your father. It's been many years but your father and your family always had much respect and appreciation from the Sacco's. We all have you in our thoughts.*
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“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Edward "Doc" Messer.*



October 13, 2017 at 03:09 PM