

Mr. Harry C. McGinnis

December 19, 1937 - February 25, 2017

Mr. Harry C. McGinnis, Jr., 79, of Pittsfield, passed away on Saturday morning, February 25, 2017 at Berkshire Medical Center. Born on December 19, 1937 the son of Harry C. and Dorothy Kirchner McGinnis, he was a 1955 graduate of Pittsfield High School.

Mr. McGinnis served in the Army National Guard, 104th Infantry, from 1955 to 1967.

Harry worked as a Heavy Equipment Operator for the City of Pittsfield for 32 years. He had also worked for Donovan Construction for 15 years as well as many other construction companies. Harry always enjoyed working at the family popcorn wagon on North Street.

He was an avid fan of the Boston Red Sox. Harry had a passion for cars and heavy equipment and had earned the nickname "Hubcap Harry" or "Highway Harry" among his friends.

Harry was a model train enthusiast. He had a large H.O. scale layout at his home and he was particularly fond of the D& H and the New Haven train companies.

Mr. McGinnis is survived by his wife, the former Linda M. Latakas, whom he married on December 24, 1989. He also leaves his daughter, Kathleen M. Mowe, a son, Kevin McGinnis and his wife Mary and a step-daughter, Dawn Burdick; a brother, Daniel McGinnis and wife Mary; sister-in-law, Theresa Tooley and a brother-in-law, Mark E. Latakas; step-grandchildren, Andrew Burdick, Shane Burdick and John Moynahan. Harry also leaves his beloved

cats, Mandy and Timmy. Besides his parents, Harry was predeceased by his youngest brother, Frederick McGinnis and a step-brother Frank M. Latakas. Harry's family would like to thank the staff of the 5th floor at BMC, especially Dr. Ram, Melissa, Kim and Matt, for their kindness and exceptional care.

Funeral Notice:

Funeral services for Mr. Harry C. McGinnis, Jr. will be Tuesday, February 28, 2017, at 6 p.m. at the Dwyer Funeral Home, 776 North St., Pittsfield MA with the Rev. David Aufiero, Administrator of St. Mark's Church, officiating. Burial will be at a later date. Calling hours at the funeral home will be Tuesday evening, prior to the service, from 3 to 6 p.m. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Berkshire Humane Society or the United Cerebral Palsy of Berkshire County, care of the Dwyer Funeral Home, in his memory.

DONATIONS CANNOT BE MADE ONLINE, but may be made through the Dwyer Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **28**. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Dwyer Family Funeral Home
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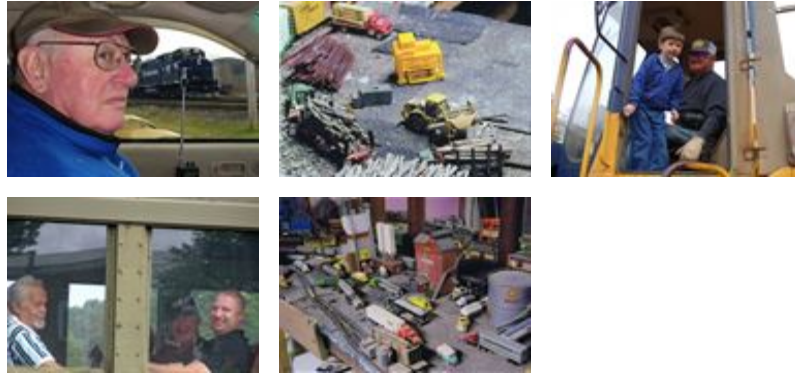
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Dwyer Funeral Home Inc. - February 28, 2017 at 08:46 AM

KM

My fondest memories of my Dad were these-learning to drive in the Taconic High School parking lot, going with Dad on the snowfighter and being able to "drop" the wing on the plow, learning to mow the lawn the McGinnis way...some things never separate us...even death. R.I.P. Daddy:((

Kathleen Mowe - March 03, 2017 at 10:55 AM

DM

“ *Will miss my brother Harry very much.*

Dan McGinnis - February 28, 2017 at 08:35 AM

HA

“ *Kevin and Mary,
We were sorry to read of your Dad's passing. Our thoughts are with you.*

Michael and Sandy Hayes

hayes - February 27, 2017 at 06:09 PM

HF

“ I worked at the City of Pittsfield Public Works Department during the summers of 1970 to 1972 as I attended UMass under the GI Bill. Harry was an absolute magician when it came to operating any of the heavy equipment types at the City Yard. Definitely one of the very best. Rest in peace, Harry!

*In Sympathy,
Hank Frydel
Fredericksburg, Va.*

Hank Frydel - February 27, 2017 at 08:11 AM

LM

“ My Dearest Harry,

Our love lasted for over 30 years and continues on. Myself, Mandy and Timmy miss you because the house is too quiet I will see you again and we will ride the trains together again.

*With all my Love,
Your Wife, Linda*

Linda M. McGinnis - February 26, 2017 at 12:20 PM