



Mr. John Skumin Sr.

September 28, 1935 - May 17, 2014

Mr. John Skumin Sr., 78, of 14 Imperial St., Lanesborough, passed away Saturday, May 17, 2014 at Berkshire Medical Center. Born in Pittsfield on September 28, 1935 the son of Vincent and Helen Zalenski Skumin, he was a graduate of St. Joseph High School and was also a graduate of Berkshire Community College with an Associate Degree in Criminal Justice.

Mr. Skumin joined the Massachusetts National Guard where he served for six years.

John worked as a Patrolman for the Pittsfield Police Department for 32 years, retiring in 1994.

He enjoyed antique cars and owned a 1954 Nash Metropolitan. He was a member of the Metropolitan owner's Club and a member of the Pittsfield Piston Poppers Car Club. Mr. Skumin was past president of MyCom Federal Credit Union. He enjoyed spending winters at his home in Daytona Beach, Fl. He was a NASCAR fan and had attended several Daytona 500's, not far from his home, he also enjoyed snowmobiling and horseback riding and had owned several horses. When he was younger, John was a member of a Drum and Bugle Corps and still enjoyed attending shows.

He is survived by his wife, the former Claudette Helfer whom he married on April 26, 1958. He also leaves his four children, John Skumin Jr. and his wife Janine, Sharon Klein and her husband Hannes, James Skumin and Andrew Skumin and his wife Cynthia; a sister, Christine Stafford; three grandchildren, Trevor Skumin, Ava Klein and Gavin Klein and many nieces and nephews. He

was predeceased by his siblings, Chester Malkowski, Stella Daviau, Joseph Malkowski, Wanda Britton, Jenny Whitney, Julie Saldato, Anne Nascimento and Blanche Roukas.

Funeral Notice:

Funeral Services for Mr. John Skumin Sr. will be Tuesday, May 20, 2014 at 9 a.m. from the Dwyer Funeral Home, 776 North St., Pittsfield MA with a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. at St. Joseph Church celebrated by Msgr. Michael A. Shershanovich, pastor. Burial will follow in St. Joseph Cemetery. Calling hours at the funeral home will be today, Monday May 19, 2014 from 4 to 7 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Massachusetts Chapter of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, 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

MAY 19. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

Service

MAY 20. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Joseph Church
414 North St.
Pittsfield, MA 01201

Tribute Wall

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“ Terry and family,
We were so sadden to hear of John's passing. He would light up any room and was loved by so many people for his unconditional kindness. My heart goes out to all of you and may we all remember the wonderful memories he left us with. I smile every time I think of him. Love, Alba & Charles

Alba - May 20, 2014 at 09:56 PM

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“ Kind thoughts and warm embraces are extended to the family during this time of significant transition. May John's varied and interesting life be a blessing to you as time moves on and you get through this day.

Mitch Barack and The entire Staff at ESCO Energy Services Company, co-workers of Hannes'

Judy Pieschel - May 20, 2014 at 08:17 AM

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“ Diane Blakesley Dondi lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Skumin Sr.



Diane Blakesley Dondi - May 20, 2014 at 06:07 AM

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“ *Skumin Family,
My thought and prayers are with you during this time of loss May
fond memories always ease the pain. John's great persona and
laughter filled a room. John will be missed.*

*Matthew Pictrowski
Pompano Beach, FL*

Matthew Pictrowski - May 19, 2014 at 06:54 AM