



Mr. Allan "Allie" Shapiro

April 21, 1923 - September 20, 2016

Allan Donald Shapiro 93, born April 21, 1923 to September 20, 2016 in North Adams, MA the son of Annie Kronick and Samuel Shapiro. Graduated Drury High School in 1941 and Purdue University with a degree in Mechanical Engineering in 1945. In 1946 he was employed by the Department of Electrical Engineering at MIT for U.S. Army on the team that stabilized the cannon on military tanks. He returned to North Adams to work in the family business Shapiro Motors. Then opened Shapiro Chevrolet and added Oldsmobile and for 40 years the dealership was an employer of many jobs, sold cars to generations of families and provided new convertibles to the Fall Foliage Parades. He married Lorraine Sisselman in 1949 and at 35 years old designed and built the home they have lived in for 65 years. He enjoyed investing in commercial property and was the co-builder of Wheel Estates in North Adams. He was an advisor for the automotive department for the Charles McCann Technical School. He was an active member of Beth Israel Synagogue on Church St, North Adams and member of the North Adams Historical Society. He raised miniature horses, loved solving problems and in his later years invented several products and obtained a patent at a late age in home construction. Known for his jokes, fixing things, developing inventions was friendly to everyone who met him.

He leaves his siblings Helen Maislen, Pittsfield, Lillian Glickman, North Adams and was predeceased by Rose Korn (Nat Korn), Stanley Shapiro (Sydelle Shapiro), Sheldon Shapiro (Sandra Shapiro). He leaves three children Martin and wife Kathy of Travelers Rest, South Carolina, Edward and wife Margaret of North Adams, and Amy Shapiro and deceased husband Peter Marsters of Ashfield, MA. He leaves six grandchildren Mathew Shapiro, Jeffrey Shapiro, Scott Shapiro, Rosie Marsters, Emma Marsters and Austin Sanders. Donations can be made to Hospice Care in the Berkshires. The funeral service will be held Thursday September 22, with grave sight service at 10am at Southview Cemetery, North Adams, followed by a memorial service at 11am at Congregational Beth Israel, Lois Avenue, North Adams followed by a meal of consolation at the synagogue. To leave a message of condolence for the Shapiro family go on line to www.paciorekfuneral.com.

Tribute Wall

AS

“ *Allie was an inventor and would frequently say, "Don't underestimate the human mind"*

Amy Shapiro - June 07, 2018 at 11:20 AM

BA

“ *A smile to remember*

Bill and Jane Apkin - June 07, 2018 at 11:20 AM

AS

“ *To Amy and the Shapiro Family, Please accept my heartfelt condolences on your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you in this time of sorrow.*

Alan Smith - June 07, 2018 at 11:20 AM



“ *To Allie's family: Sincerest condolences. I bought many cars from Allie and Stan. My father had a store across from the Pittsfield dealership. When I couldn't make a deal with Stan I always waited for Allie to come to Pittsfield and made a deal with him. He was the best!!Richard SukeI Boca Raton*

June 07, 2018 at 11:20 AM

BO

“ *Sorry for your loss. He was very nice man and sold me when i lived in Williamstown, Ma. my first brand new car a Chevelle in 1963. Loved that car. He new my dad real Harry M. Logan Sr.*

Barbara Logan O'Neil - June 07, 2018 at 11:20 AM

SD

“ *Marty, Ed and Amy, so sorry about your loss. Both your parents were always very nice to me. It was a great neighborhood to grow up in and many fond memories. Ed, did like your little electric car, pushed that back to the garage many a times.*

Sally Dion-Rand - June 07, 2018 at 11:20 AM

SK

“ Dear Lorraine and all of Allie's family, Our sincerest sympathy to all at this very sad time. Thinking of you and sending lots of love and many hugs. Sandy and Bary

Sandra & Barry Kronick - June 07, 2018 at 11:20 AM



“ ALLAN was always a good friend to VI GALLI. He always gave her very good deals and treated her like royalty she had nothing but praise for Alan. The family oF VIOLA AND IINO GALLI WISH TO SEND CONDOLENCES TO HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS ...

June 07, 2018 at 11:20 AM

KS

“ Ed and Family, Our Thoughts and Prayers are with You at this difficult time. I have many Fond Memories of Allie! He will be missed

Kevin & Pamela Shea - June 07, 2018 at 11:20 AM

PK

“ I had the honor and privilege of working with Allie for a time at his car dealership. I found him to be a bright and honorable man with a terrific sense of humor. My sincere condolences to his family.

Pat Kelley - June 07, 2018 at 11:20 AM

SS

“ Thoughts and prayers. He was always smiling! Many memories of Allie and my Dad.

Sue Spofford - June 07, 2018 at 11:20 AM

ER

“ Dear Lorraine and family, So sorry to hear of the death of Allie. I have good memories of baby sitting for your children, along with all my sisters who also babysat. My father worked for him for many years, and was the first to retire from Shapiro Motors. I remember stopping down there and talking with Allie even when I got older, Enjoyed the times he would come into my store (Ralston Auto Parts) and we would reminisce of old times. He was a family friend And a good person and I am thankful that I had the opportunity to know him and his family. Sorry I was unable to attend the service, just had a hip replacement. My deepest sympathy.

Elizabeth Ralston - June 07, 2018 at 11:20 AM

PN

“ I have very fond memories of my relationship with the Shapiro Family. So sorry to hear of Allie's death. My deepest condolences to his wife and children.

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WC

“ I am so saddened to hear of Ali's passing. I remember so many wonderful times at the Shapiro house riding mini bikes and driving cars in the field. My thoughts are with Amy and Eddie, Lorraine and Marty and all tbe family.

Wende Scarafoni Carver - June 07, 2018 at 11:20 AM

SP

“ Dec. 10th, 2016 I was saddened to come across Allen's obituary while googling for Margaret's and Ed's street address. He will be remembered for his warmth, friendliness and inviting nature. My condolences to LorraineMargaret, Ed, Scott, Amy, Marty and all.Sue Pickett

Susan Pickett - June 07, 2018 at 11:20 AM