



## James J. Murphy

August 19, 1921 - March 12, 2013

Mr. James Joseph Murphy, 91, of 75 Commercial St. Adams, died early Tuesday morning, March 12, 2013.

He was born in North Adams on August 19, 1921, a son of the late John and Harriet (Shortmon) Murphy, and attended North Adams schools.

He was a Veteran of World War II, serving with the United States Navy in the European Theater, from 1942 until his Honorable Discharge in 1945. He participated in many engagements, including the Invasion of Normandy.

A machinist by trade, Mr. Murphy worked at the former Berkshire Mills, Greylock Tool & Machine, Arnold Print Works and Sprague Electric Co. until his retirement.

He was a communicant of St. Stanislaus Kostka Church, Adams.

His wife, the former Stella R. Baczek, whom he married on October 1, 1945, died on May 10, 1994.

He is survived by 2 daughters, Frances Sukanek and her husband, Charles, of Longwood, FL; and Patricia Davis and her husband, Robert, of Ansonia, CT;

4 Grandchildren, Roberta Sukanek, Melissa Sukanek, Tricia Ford and her husband, Shane; and Brandon Davis; 2 great granddaughters, Shanley and Teagan Ford;

His close friends, Edward and Joan Biros, and Edward and Donna LaBonte; and several nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

He was predeceased by 3 brothers, John, William and George Murphy; and

by 4 sisters, Mary and Ida Murphy, Ruth Steele and Peg LaPlante.

The funeral will be held on Saturday, March 16th, at 11:30 AM from the PACIOREK FUNERAL HOME, 13 Hoosac St. Adams, followed by a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 12:30 PM in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church.

Burial will follow in St. Stanislaus Kostka Cemetery.

Calling hours are Friday from 5 to 7 PM at the funeral home.

Memorial donations may be made to the Berkshire Humane Society, 214 Barker Rd. Pittsfield, MA 01201, or to St. Stanislaus School, 108 Summer St. Adams, MA 01220.

To leave a message of condolence, or for directions, please go online to [www.paciorekfuneral.com](http://www.paciorekfuneral.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ *Pat, Fran and Families So sorry to hear of the passing of your dear Father. Can you imagine the celebrating that is going on in Heaven now that he has again rejoined your Mom, his Mother and Father, and his brothers and sister. We can almost hear the singing and Joy he brings with him just as he always brought Joy to anyone who knew him on this Earth. Love and Peace Sodge and Dan*

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March 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Mr & Mrs Davis, Please accept my condolences for you father's death, I wish you and your family a long and a healthy life.*  
*David Fattahi*

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March 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *My sincere condolences to Pat and all the family members of James Murphy.*

*I had a somewhat short, 3 plus year association with the Murphy family when I was in my mid/late teens back in the 60's.*

*This family was what I would describe as the 'ideal family'. A beautiful, close-knit, loving family, due in large part, I think, to the type of man Mr. Murphy was.*

*Being a teenage guy, typically somewhat self absorbed at the time, it took the passage of time to really appreciate his fine example.*

*I have always been impressed with Jim's not being hesitant or embarrassed to show his love for his 'girls', his wife and daughters.*

*Even though he grew up in the 'John Wayne era' he was always demonstrative with his feelings for his family - always a kiss hello and a kiss goodbye.*

*He was a religious man who actually lived the principles of what love should be.*

*His example comes to my mind often as the consummate husband, father and friend.*

*And always that smile.*

*Many fond memories, like picnics at White Birch, good food, drink and Polish pitch card games with his family and Ed Biros and wife Joan.*

*I'll always remember Mr. Murphy for the great role model he was in being the loving, kind and gentle family man he was.*

*My love to all his family.*

*Dave*

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March 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM