



James S. Varellas

January 23, 1941 - March 28, 2007

Mr. James Steven Varellas, 66, of 7 Grandview Terrace, Adams, longtime local businessman, died unexpectedly Wednesday afternoon, March 28, 2007, at his home.

He was born in Sparta, Greece on January 23, 1941, a son of Stavros and Stavroula (Masganas) Varellas, and attended schools in Greece. While there, he served with the Greek Army, and was also a firefighter for a brief period. He came to the United States in 1966, settling in the Berkshires.

Together with his wife, Stacy, Mr. Varellas was the owner and operator of the Pizza House in Adams from 1992 until his death. He had owned and operated the Pizza House in North Adams from 1966 until selling that restaurant in 2004.

He was a member of St. George Greek Orthodox Church in Pittsfield. He enjoyed sports, especially New York Yankee baseball.

He is survived by his wife, the former Stacy J. Vagia, whom he married on September 18, 1977;

2 Sons - Steven J. Varellas and his wife, Elizabeth, of West Hartford, Connecticut; and Peter J. Varellas and his companion, April Pitroff, of North Adams;

1 Daughter - Stella J. Varellas of Tarpon Springs, Florida;

1 Grandson - James S. Varellas of West Hartford;

1 Brother - John Varellas of Milford, Pennsylvania;

1 Sister - Mrs. Mary Giannaris of Athens, Greece;

His Mother-In-Law - Mrs.Panagiota Vagia of Greece; and several nieces & nephews.

The funeral will be held on Saturday, March 31st, at 2:00 PM in St. George Greek Orthodox Church, Bradford St., Pittsfield, celebrated by Rev. Constantine Cambas.

Burial will follow in Bellevue Cemetery, Adams.

Calling hours at the PACIOREK FUNERAL HOME, 13 Hoosac St. Adams, are Friday March 30th from 4 to 7 PM.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to St. George Greek Orthodox Church, or to the American Diabetes Association, through the funeral home.

Tribute Wall



“ *Dear Varellas Family,*

We are very sorry for your loss and send our dearest and deepest condolences. Jimmy was a good man. Our entire family has fond memories of eating pizza and sharing laughs with Jimmy.

Jimmy thank you for many years worth of great memories and good times. We will miss you.

If you need anything we are here for you, just like you have been there for us through out the years.

With Love,

The Alvarez Family

April 04, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Regretting with you for Jimmy's death, we convey all our sympathy.*

*Yianna , Sofia Masgana
Kostas Zaglis*

April 04, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our deepest sympathy for the loss of your beloved husband and father. Our prayers are with you during this difficult time. Zoi se mas and to our children.*

Sincerely,

Thomas, Fotini and Nia Koufogazos

Trinity, Florida

April 04, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Hello my best Greek Friend!*

I'm sorry that I'm writing you in times like these, I don't have the words to express how sorry I am. Peter, your father was the best of men. He was truly a selfless man and those are the best.

It seems like just yesterday we were trucking all over the tri-state on our way to a hockey game or hanging out at the Pizza House waiting for your dad to bring us home.

I had some of the best moments of my life with you and your father. A true sign of a brilliant man is what he leaves behind...that's you my friend....you to are the best of men. He died knowing he provided everything for his family and friends. He will never be forgotten.

Please give my love and support to your mom, sister, and brother. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Miss you my friend!

Brad

April 04, 2007 at 12:00 AM