



Mr. John A. Ashton

September 1, 1918 - February 10, 2016

Mr. John Anthony Ashton, 97, of Hoosick Falls, NY, died early Wednesday morning, February 10, 2016, at Southwestern Vermont Medical Center in Bennington.

He was born in Adams, MA on September 1, 1918, a son of the late Raymond and Bertha (Anthony) Ashton, and attended Adams schools. At the time of his death, he was the oldest living relative of the famous women's suffragist Susan B. Anthony.

He was a Veteran of World War II, serving with the US Navy in the Asiatic-Pacific Theater and participated in the liberation of the Philippines, receiving 2 battle stars, among numerous other decorations.

Mr. Ashton worked as a machinist, and later, a manager in the Naval Ordnance division of General Electric in Pittsfield, MA, retiring in 1981 after 38 years of service. While working at GE, he received several patents for machining methods he invented.

He was a member of Adams Post 160 America Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the Berkshire Lodge of Masons.

He enjoyed woodworking, traveling, fishing, geology, and was an avid football fan. He was the last of the Adams Ski Runners, who used to ski the famous Thunderbolt Ski Trail on Mt. Greylock in Adams in the 1930's.

His wife, the former Kathleen M. Baker, whom he married on June 21, 1941, died on June 14, 2005.

He is survived by a daughter, Kathleen Golinski and her husband, Doug, of

Hoosick Falls;

3 grandchildren, including Kelley Robinson, Aymee St. Pierre and her husband, John; and John Robinson;

and 5 great grandchildren, including Jack, Owen and Katherine St. Pierre, and Jacob and Michael Robinson.

He was predeceased by a sister, Evelyn Louison, and by a brother, Robert Ashton.

A graveside funeral service with military honors will be held in Bellevue Cemetery, Adams, on a date to be announced in the Spring.

The PACIOREK FUNERAL HOME, Adams, is in charge of arrangements.

To leave a message of condolence, please go online to www.paciorekfuneral.com

Tribute Wall



“ *May you find peace in all your wonderful memories. An amazing man..Sandy (Bisson) Krawczyk*

June 07, 2018 at 11:38 AM



“ *Sorry for your loss Kelly, Kathy and family. What a legacy he has left!*

Terry (Rayner) Yavaniski - June 07, 2018 at 11:38 AM



“ *To my Uncle John,*

I will always remember the Thanksgiving's at your house and the good times. I am sure you are in heaven with many friends and may you rest in peace.

Bob Ashton Jr.

Robert Ashton Jr - June 07, 2018 at 11:38 AM



“ *Just heard of Uncle John's passing a few days ago. I will miss the Christmas cards I got from him every year. He and my father shared some good times in their early retirement years. My dad would always tell me when he was getting together with John and Kinkie and their cousin Lois. He was a great man and i will miss him. My thoughts and prayers to his family.*

Debbie (Ashton) Buzzell - June 07, 2018 at 11:38 AM

SB

“ This message is to Kathy and family, I will never forget all the good times we had with you and your Dad and Mom. Aunt Kinki & Uncle John were two of the best Aunt & Uncle I could of had. All the fun in Cheshire and at the lake and up on West Road, my many sleep overs were the highlight of my young years. Everyone up there made me feel special. I'm so sorry for loss, I haven't been back to Adams since 2004 when my Mom died. So glad I got to see them at that time. Kathy please be well. Hugs & Love Susan

Susan Higgins Bernier - June 07, 2018 at 11:38 AM

MH

“ I will always remember the wonderful times we shared with Aunt Kinki and Uncle John. The vacations, Anthony's Pool, the cider mill, mock weddings, the houses in Cheshire and West Road, Christmas Days at Gramma Baker's and so many more memories filled with fun and love. We visited with Uncle John in 2014, and were so pleased to find him alert, physically fit and technology savvy. He was amazing! He and Kinki were very influential in my life and I think of them often. You have lost a true icon. I hope to be at the service.

Michael Higgins - June 07, 2018 at 11:38 AM