



Mr. Kasimer "Casey" Zabek

December 31, 1929 - February 15, 2015

Mr. Kasimer Joseph "Casey" Zabek, 85, of 1 Commonwealth Ave. Adams, died Sunday afternoon, February 15, 2015, at Berkshire Medical Center in Pittsfield.

He was born in Adams on December 31, 1929, a son of the late Joseph and Angela (Pater) Zabek. He attended Adams schools, and graduated from the former Adams High School with the Class of 1948.

He was a Veteran of the Korean Conflict, serving with the United States Air Force in the Alaskan Air Command, from October of 1948 until his Honorable Discharge in August of 1952.

Mr. Zabek last worked as head of building maintenance for Berkshire Life Insurance Co. in Pittsfield, until retiring in 1993. Earlier, he previously worked as senior building custodian at C.H. McCann Technical High School in North Adams for 19 years, and still earlier, for Adams -Cheshire Regional School District for nine years. Following his retirement, he and his wife enjoyed spending the winter months in Florida.

He was a communicant of St. Stanislaus Kostka Church, Adams. He served as President of St. Michael's Society of the Polish Roman Catholic Union of America for over 25 years. He served as Deputy Supervisor of PRCUA District 56 for several years, and was a former Director of District 1 of the PRCUA.

He was a Life Member of Adams Post 160 American Legion, and of Burnette-Bednarz Post 1995 Veterans of Foreign Wars, Adams. He was also a member of Polish Legion of American Veterans and the Polish American Pulaski Club,

both in Florida. He was also a member of the Northern Berkshire Retired Men's Club and their Golf League, and served on the Adams High School Class of 1948 Reunion Committee.

He is survived by his wife of 64 years, the former Frieda J. Czubryt, whom he married on September 3, 1951;

2 sons, David Zabek and his wife, Joan, of Bristol, CT; and Thomas Zabek and his wife, Charlene, of St. Johnsbury, VT;

4 daughters, Bonnie Zabek of Peru, MA; Susan McShane and her husband, Thomas, of Stamford, VT; Nancy Herlihy of Pittsfield, MA and Mary Ellen Daigneault and her fiancée, Michael Graves, of Adams;

a sister, Florence Romaniak of Adams;

10 Grandchildren, Jennifer Boada and her husband, Stephen; Michael and Sarah Zabek; Nathan and Dustin Hover; Chelsea, Jordan and Jenna McShane; and Jake and Casey Daigneault;

2 Great Grandchildren, Maxwell and Vivian Boada; as well as many nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

He was predeceased by 3 brothers, John, Chester and Adolph "Jimmy" Zabek; and by 2 sisters, Jane McPherson and Cecelia Menczywor.

The funeral will be held on Friday, February 20th, at 9:00 AM from the PACIOREK FUNERAL HOME, 13 Hoosac St. Adams, followed by a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 10:00 AM in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church, Adams, celebrated by Rev. Steven Montesanti, Pastor.

Burial will follow in St. Stanislaus Kostka Cemetery, Adams.

Calling hours are Thursday from 4 to 7 PM at the funeral home.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Stanislaus School, 108 Summer St. Adams, MA 01220.

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

Tribute Wall



“ *It ws a pleasure working with Caset at Berkshire Life. He was a joy to know.* Amy McNally

June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM



“ *May God reward him for all his efforts on behalf of Polonia and especially the PRCUA. I remember him with fondness from our time on the National Board of PRCUA. Wieczny odpoczynek....*

Fr. Walter Ptak - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM



“ *Nancy, I was so sorry to hear about your dad. I am thinking of you and your mom and family. We love you!*

Denise Pillsbury - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM



“ *I am so very sorry for your loss. I remember Casey from McCann Tech, graduated in '68, and he was a fun and awesome man*

Joy Bishop Cardinal - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM



“ *Our deepest sympathy and condolences to the entire family. I truly enjoyed serving with him on the board of directors at the PRCUA.*

Barbara Toboy - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM



“ *Mary Ellen-- I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your father.
~Kelly Ryan*

June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM



“ *Mr. Kasimer "Casey" Zabek*

Theresa Sumaj-Zelazo - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM



“ *My condolences and prayers ... I always considered Casey as a friend. He was always so helpful and considerate. I will keep not only Casey, but all of his family in my prayers.*

Deacon Greg LaFreniere - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM



“ *Nancy we are so sorry for your loss. We understand the grief you are feeling. Keeping you and your family in our thoughts and prayers.*

Ed & Brenda Pike - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM



“ *I was a Director on the PRCUA Board with both Kaz and Frieda. It was a pleasure to know and work with them. Kaz was very knowledgeable and out spoken, he was an Asset to the organization. Kaz was always kind to me and I being younger appreciate his being a mentor. May he rest in peace. I am so happy that I recently called and let both of them know that they were in my thoughts. God's Blessings to the family.*

Sharon Haberski - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM

BB

“ As you grieve know that we remember Kaz for his input at the PRCUA meetings and his wit at the pinochle games.

Bob & Eleanor Bielenda - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM

DW

“ Casey was a kind, gentle and helpful person. As members of St. Michael's Society ,my family had the privilege of enjoying his company. Casey always had a good story to tell. He'll be sadly missed by many. RIP. Casey.

Doug, Dot and Kevin Wandrei - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM

BC

“ Carol and I are saddened by the passing of your father. Your family are in our thoughts and prayers

Bob and Carol Clarke

Bob and Carol Clarke - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM

MD

“ So sorry to hear of Mr Zabek's passing. He was a great guy. Every time I drive my McCann's, I remember how he would let us SSK kids rent the gym to play basketball.

Mike Dziadzio - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM

ED

“ Dearest Frieda & Family,
We knew Kaz for many years and were good friends, through thick & thin, re: PRCUA he was my director when I was President. you both were loyal friends.....may he rest Peacefully in the gracious hands of Jesus in Paradise, and he bless you at this sad time in your lives.
May he rest in peace.....
Ed & Loretta Dykla
Barrington, Ill/Boynton beach Fla.

Edward & Loretta Dykla - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM

ZK

“ Dear Mrs Frieda, please have my condolences and my prayers for Your loss. So far You never heard about me but I know about You and some of Your family since last year. My Grandmother name was Wiktoria Zabek and she was born in same place in Poland where Your husband Kasimer's Grandfather Michael was born (Michael parents were Joseph Zabek and Katarzyna Krawczyk born in the village of Kanna in Poland). I did open BIG Family Genealogy Tree on Ancestry.com where I have posted extensive and deep research about several old generation of Zabek Families (including Your line of Zabek's). I hope Mrs Frieda my message will ease Your sorrow and in short time You or some of Your children or grandchildren will want to contact me by email so I could give You all access to the Family tree with Your Zabek 's line. Anybody from Zabek Family may contact me in regard to free access to our Tree on Ancestry.com sending me email. My address is: zbysekkasperek@gmail.com. Please tell me who You are since I can give access to my tree to Family members only. Thank You. May Kasimir rest in peace and I hope He will like my message to his family.

Zbigniew Kasperek - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM

EA

“ Nancy & family, We are so sorry for the loss of your dear dad, Casey. We will always remember him with fondness. Keep your memories of him; you are his legacy. Nancy, we love you & miss you!

Erin & Tim Albright - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM



“ Joann and Wallace Ozog extend the Zabek Family our sympathy. Kasimer has been very close to us during our PRCUA experiences. May he now rest in peace with the LORD.

June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM

SH

“ Rest in peace Kaz. It was a pleasure working with you on the PRCUA Board. You were a mentor, very Knowledgeable and sometimes outspoken, but kind and a good friend. I am so happy I spoke to Freida recently and sent you my love. I enjoyed the both of you. God's Blessings to the family.

Sharon Haberski - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM



“ Bonnie and family, I'm so sorry about the loss of your Dad. May he rest in peace. Julie Morawiec Heritage

June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM

JN

“ To all the Zabek Family: Saddened to hear of Casey's passing & my deepest sympathy. Casey was a great man with a friendly Hello and Smile for everyone. A long time neighbor and friend, he will be missed. One of my memories is when all of us kids would build houses & forts in the "woods" behind your house. I hope wonderful memories will help you in this difficult time. He is at PEACE.

Jane Pikul Nevares - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM

PB

“ Tom and family,
We are truly sorry for your loss. You and your family are in our hearts, thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.
With deepest sympathy, Your Passumpsic Savings Bank Family.
A donation has been made in memory of your father to the St. Stanislaus School.

Passumpsic Savings Bank - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM

AG

“ Tom and Family, Our deepest condolences.

Andy & Debbie (Parrott) Gigliotti - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM



“ Casey was such a nice guy..worked at BLICO With him Louise Barber

June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM

KB

“ To the Zabek Family Sorry to hear of Casey's passing. He will always be remembered by the Sunday morning basketball group at McCanns. Thank's Casey for all of those great memories. Rest in peace.

Kenneth Bissailon - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM

DT

“ Dear Nancy and Family, I'm so sorry to read of Casey's passing. He was such a kind and caring individual; always making each and every employee at Berkshire Life feel welcomed and appreciated. May he rest in peace and may your heavy hearts soon be lifted and filled with fond memories. Sincerely, Doreen

Doreen Tornicelli - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM

JD

“ To the Zabek family, I'm so sorry to read of your loss. I remember him as a wonderful neighbor. As kids, we would always love to climb the hill behind our house and go into the woods. I was Joanie Morawiec and I can remembering seeing him not too long ago at the PNA in celebration of St. Stanislaus Kostka Church. A very handsome and gentle man. May your memories keep you strong.

Joan Dario - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM

DB

“ MaryEllen and Frieda, So sorry to hear of Casey's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this time. I remember him as being such a nice man.

Dale Bona - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM

MZ

“ I wanted to send my best wishes and apologies that I am not there with you right now. I am grateful for having known dziadziu and having so many warm memories of his time with us. I don't know if any of you remember this, but I can still recall the trip that my family took to Florida when I was in elementary school it couldn't have been long after you both started going down there. I kept a detailed diary of everything and could remember coming home so excited. I thought that place down there was magical and thought it was so cool that you were living there. I'm sure I told you detailed accounts of everything we did every night. I can also remember, quite vividly, all of the Christmas visits we had, and for some reason all of the board games you had. I think we may have taken your monopoly game, since I think I have it in my apartment here. I think we played it last month. I want to wish you all the very best through this difficult time, send my prayers, and my hope that you will get through it as best you are able. I hope that I will be seeing you all again before long. With love, Mike (and Jess)

Mike Zabek - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM

PE

“ Kasimer Zabek was a beloved member of the Polish Roman Catholic Union of America. His dedication and service were truly remarkable. He will be greatly missed. Condolences to all family and friends on this great loss.

PRCUA Executive Officers & Employees - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM

EM

“ So sorry for your loss Nancy. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Elaine Mole-Killion - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM

RB

“ Susan & Family ~ I'm very sorry for your loss. Your dad was a great man; I always enjoyed my conversations with him. God bless.

Richard Bury - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM

WP

“ Frieda and Mary Ellen so sorry for your loss my dearest sympathy to your family

Will Parmenter - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM

TM

“ My deepest sympathy to Freida, Nancy and family members. It was my great privilege and honor to work with Casey and Nancy at Berkshire and then to see them with Freida as patients after his retirement in the Berkshire Medical Clinic with our nurse Marty Pugliese. We enjoyed many retiree Christmas luncheons together. Casey was always in good spirits, funny, and we enjoyed many enthusiastic conversations over the years. He was a good honest man and it was a great pleasure to know him. I will miss him and the days we spent at the old Berkshire Life. May God bless his family and help them in this time of grief. Dr. Newman

Timothy A Newman MD - June 07, 2018 at 12:03 PM



“ Nancy, My prayers and thoughts are with you and your family at this difficult time. I will always remember how kind and sweet your Dad was to everyone when he worked here at Berkshire Life.

February 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Frieda and members of Casey's Family,
Please accept my deepest sympathies for your loss of a wonderful man.*

Casey and I met in 1981 as new employees at BLICO and later discovered that we were very distantly related (by marriage) and had a few other things in common. I have fond memories of his smiling greetings at work, taking a computer programming class, asking me to polka at the Christmas party, and running into him and his family in Florida. He was a nice man, a kind man, and a true gentleman.

Spoczywaj w spokoju, Casey.

February 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *I had the pleasure of working with Casey at Berkshire Life Ins. and he was a wonderful man. Always kind and always took time to say hello. Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Sincerest Sympathy, Joanne Wyand*

February 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM