



## Stephen Socha

August 31, 1926 - July 7, 2010

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Mr. Stephen John Socha, 83, of 107 East Hoosac St. Adams, died Wednesday evening, July 7, 2010, at Williamstown Commons.

He was born in Adams on August 31, 1926, a son of the late Joseph and Bronislawa (Dzierga) Socha. He attended Adams schools, and graduated from the former Adams High School in 1944.

He was a Veteran of World War II, serving with the US Navy as a Radioman from 1944 until his Honorable Discharge in 1946.

Mr. Socha last worked as a custodian for the Adams-Cheshire Regional School District for 15 years, until retiring in 1991. Earlier, he had worked for 25 years at the former Arnold Print Works in Adams, and briefly at General Electric in Pittsfield.

He was a communicant of the Parish of Pope John Paul the Great, Adams, and had been a communicant of St. Stanislaus Kostka Church, Adams. He was a member of the St. Stanislaus Kostka Society and the Maple Grove Civic Club. He enjoyed gardening, puttering around his house, and following politics and current events.

He is survived by his wife of 54 years, the former Lucia A. Matarazzo, whom he married on July 28, 1956;

3 daughters, Andrea Moreau and her husband, Walter, of Pownal, VT;

Catherine Peters and her husband, Daniel, of North Adams; and Christine Watson and her husband, Lance, of Powder Springs, GA;

1 son, Paul Socha of Nashua, N.H.;

1 granddaughter, Elizabeth George of Powder Springs, GA;

3 brothers, John Socha of Adams; Louis Socha of Pittfield; and Stanley Socha of Chapel Hill, N.C.;

1 sister, Helen Wrzochalski of Watervliet, NY; and several nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

He was predeceased by 2 brothers, Frank and Walter Socha; and by a sister, Julia Dwilewski.

The funeral will be held on Monday, July 12th, at 9:00 AM from the PACIOREK FUNERAL HOME, 13 Hoosac St. Adams, followed a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 10:00 AM in the Parish Church of Pope John Paul the Great, Adams, celebrated by Rev. Daniel J. Boyle, Pastor. Burial will follow in St. Stanislaus Kostka Cemetery, Adams.

Calling hours are Sunday afternoon from 2 to 5 PM at the funeral home.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Stanislaus Kostka School through the funeral home.

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