



## Mr. Sydney F. Ayres

October 14, 1936 - March 26, 2021

Mr. Sydney F. Ayres, 84, of Adams, died on Friday, March 26, 2021 at his home.

He was born in Glasgow, Scotland on October 14, 1936, a son of the late Frank and Elizabeth (Davidson) Ayres. He attended schools in Scotland and had served with the Scotland Military until moving to the United States in 1967.

Mr. Ayres was a self employed painter and paper hanger, having worked many years until retiring. Syd played semi-pro soccer through the ITAM in Pittsfield and was an avid soccer fan later in life.

He is survived by his life partner of 39 years, Helen (Sarro) Dempsey, with whom he made his home. A son, Sydney Ayres and his wife Lisa of England; a daughter, Linda Ayres of Scotland; a stepson, John Dempsey and his wife Deborah of Pownal, VT; two stepdaughters, Carrie Alibozek and her husband Doug and Eileen Clark and her husband Ronald, all of Adams; two brothers, Robert Ayres and Ian Ayres and his wife Elizabeth of Scotland; one sister, Cathie McIsaac and her husband Allan of Scotland; nine grandchildren, two great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by a brother Ronald Ayres, by two sisters, Mary Thomson and Elizabeth McManus and by his grandson Derek Clark.

Funeral services and burial will be private for the family.

There are no calling hours.

Memorial donations may be made to Hospice Care in the Berkshires, 877

South St., Pittsfield, MA 01201.

The PACIOREK FUNERAL HOME, 13 Hoosac St., Adams, is in charge of arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

LK

“ *Uncle Syde We have such great memories of you with our dad!! Soccer, parties and just one more, John. We will all miss you!*

*Love The Kovacs Kids*

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**Lisa Kovacs** - May 02, 2021 at 03:30 PM

SC

“ *Rest in the arms of the Angels Uncle Syd. Your kind heart and generous spirit touched us all. Our love goes with you.*

*Sally, Bill & family*

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**Sally & Bill Carty** - April 27, 2021 at 10:43 PM

RS

“ *BIG SYD, Helen so sorry to hear about SYD'S passing..Some of my best times I had with Syd,,haven't seen him , but will never forget him..*

*Smitty*

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**Robert Smith** - March 30, 2021 at 07:44 PM

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“ *My father and Sydney played soccer together many decades ago, and Sydney was an important figure in establishing soccer's roots in Berkshire County. My dad remembers Sydney as one of the toughest players, but off the field Sydney was a kind hearted person who would generously give his time to a friend in need.*

*Our deepest sympathies to Sydney's family.  
Tony Danese and family*

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**Tony** - March 30, 2021 at 01:47 PM

TB

“ *Very sorry to hear about Sydney, he was a good friend. We had many great times together, usually involving football. I will always remember him as "Big Syd".*

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**Terry Bills** - March 30, 2021 at 11:58 AM

JW

“ *Helen,  
We are both sorry to hear of Syd's passing. Joe always enjoyed talking with him whenever they met,  
Nancy & Joe Wilk*

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**Joe Wilk** - March 30, 2021 at 11:08 AM

CC

“ *I met Scotty when I worked at BCL Credit Union. He was such a funny guy!!! So sad to hear of his passing.  
Cheryl Tripp-Cleveland*

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**Cheryl Tripp Cleveland** - March 30, 2021 at 10:43 AM

DC

“ *Helen I am so sorry to here about Syd passing.  
Many happy memories and lots of fun times.*

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**douglas craighead** - March 30, 2021 at 08:45 AM

TB

*So sorry to hear about Sydney. He was a good friend and we had many great times together. I will always remember him as "Big Syd"*

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**Terry Bills** - March 30, 2021 at 11:33 AM