



## Mr. Wesley H. Briggs, Jr.

January 24, 1934 - December 26, 2021

Mr. Wesley H. Briggs Jr., 87, long time resident of Savoy, passed away peacefully on Sunday, December 26, 2021.

He was born in Pittsfield on January 24, 1934, a son of the late Wesley and Dorothy (Knight) Briggs. He attended local schools and worked on his family farm until he entered the United States Army, where he served during the Vietnam War, until receiving his Honorable Discharge as Private First Class on November 6, 1958.

Wes was employed by the Massachusetts Department of Conservation & Recreation for more than 37 years, until his retirement in January 2001. Post retirement, he served as a member of the Savoy Conservation Committee. Those who knew Wes understood he was a man of few words. A nod of his head, the occasional smile or a wave to say hello. He was a hard worker and could be feisty in his younger years, but as time passed, he too mellowed with age. Wes was good hearted, instilled strong core values within his family and would be the first to stop and help someone in need.

He enjoyed watching the Red Sox, making maple syrup and attending horse draws at the local fairs. Wes appreciated life in country and living in Savoy, where he and his wife established their home in 1964. He will be greatly missed by family and friends.

His wife, the former Sylvia Swift, whom he married on October 1, 1961, died on June 21, 2021.

Wes is survived by his daughter, Karyn Stavaski and her husband Paul of

Cheshire; a brother Ronald Briggs of Florida; a sister Sharon Martin of Williamstown and by many nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by two brothers, Bruce and Carl Briggs and by two sisters, Beverly Edmundson and Cheryl Kinney.

Funeral services and burial will take place at the Florida Baptist Church cemetery in the spring.

Memorial donations may be made to the Derek Clark Educational Fund through the PACIOREK FUNERAL HOME, 13 Hoosac St., Adams, which is in charge of arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Florida Church Cemetery

Mohawk Trail  
Florida, MA 01247

# Events

**Details are pending.**

# Tribute Wall

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“ I am very sorry to hear of Wes's passing. I worked with him at DEM/DCR from the mid 80's until his retirement. I remember him as a very dedicated hard worker, but also as a funny guy who enjoyed his job and the people he worked with. I remember he would get all fired up about something and acting real gruff, then someone would get him laughing and joking. Very fond memories of Wes.

*My deepest condolences to his family.*

*Margaret (O'Brien) Carnevale*

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**Margaret Carnevale** - January 07, 2022 at 11:41 AM

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“ Wes was for sure a remarkable, strong, hard working and respectable man, who at my very young age of 17 I was very lucky to have met and work with at nights building pallets at Krutiack wood products in clarksburg ma.

*This memory of him will live on in my mind. Rip Wes, and peace to his family and to all those who loved him, or like me were so lucky to have met Wes!*

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