



Mr. William T. Kittler

December 13, 1938 - January 15, 2021

Mr. William T. Kittler, 82, of Adams, died on Friday, January 15, 2021 at Berkshire Medical Center in Pittsfield.

He was born in Adams on December 13, 1938, the son of the late William and Anne (Browne) Kittler. He attended local schools and graduated from the former Adams Memorial High School, where he was a three-sport athlete and an All-American football player. He earned his Bachelor's Degree in Economics with High Honors from Michigan State University.

Mr. Kittler was proud to work his entire career for the General Electric Company in Pittsfield until retiring in 2001 as a high level financial manager. To begin his career, he was accepted into and completed the elite Financial Management Leadership Program, GE's equivalent to earning a financial graduate degree. He was an honored member of the GE Elfun Society. He was a communicant of the Parish of St. John Paul II, Adams, where he had been a volunteer and served on its finance committee. He was a longtime and proud member of the South Adams Savings Bank's Board of Trustees, having served from 1990 until 2011, and a member of the finance committee and the Board of Investment. He was a charter member of the Adams Youth Center Board of Directors, long-time trustee and chair for the W.B. Plunkett Memorial Hospital Trust Fund, a member and chairman of the Adams-Cheshire Regional School Committee, an elected member of the Adams Parks and Grounds Commission, and was a coach for the Adams Little League. He was long known and recognized for his commitment to the

community, fairness on the issues, and integrity beyond reproach.

He is survived by the love of his life, the former Barbara A. Ciolkowski, whom he married on September 7, 1963; two sons, William Kittler and his wife Maureen of Pittsfield, and Robert Kittler and his wife Karla of New Hampshire; his daughter Lisa Schifilliti and her husband Roy of Needham, MA; and known as Papa to seven grandchildren, Megan, Molly, Abigail, Alexander and Katherine Kittler and Grace and Willa Schifilliti; and by special nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, and friends he treated just as if they were his family. He is also survived by his beloved sisters- and brothers-in-law, and best friends Janice and Joseph Baran, and Paul and Judy Robarge. He was predeceased by his sister Patricia Goss and her husband and the older brother he never had, Ronald. "IT'S ALL ABOUT FAMILY!"

He was an avid golfer at the Stamford Valley Golf Course, a master photographer, and ever present at all his children and grandchildren's meets, games and extracurricular activities.

A graveside service will be held on Wednesday, January 20th at 12:00 Noon in St. Stanislaus Kostka Cemetery, Adams. Due to current restrictions, all attending must wear a face covering and practice social distancing. The family looks forward to seeing you for a big Bill Kittler bear hug at a celebration of life after COVID, time and date TBD.

There are no calling hours.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Stanislaus Kostka School, 108 Summer St., Adams, MA 01220 or to the St. John Paul II Charity Center, P.O. Box 213, Adams, MA 01220.

Cemetery Details

St. Stanislaus Cemetery

Orchard St.
Adams, MA 01220

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JAN 20. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

AM

“ Barbara- My deepest condolences on the loss of your husband, Bill. My thoughts are with you.
Dr. Alan Metzger

Alan METZGER - January 19, 2021 at 07:07 PM

MP

“ I was fortunate to grow up with "Uncle Bill" and all the help, advice, and love he freely gave. I learned the true meaning of family! You will be sorely missed! My deepest condolences.

Love,
Maureen St. Pierre and Family

Maureen St Pierre - January 19, 2021 at 06:19 PM

AS

“ Barbara and family,

Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Bill taught us, through the way he lived his life, to be kind and caring to the people we encounter, with a commitment to family and community. A tremendous role model to all that knew him. A great loss to all of us.

Al & Mary Skrocki

alfred w Skrocki - January 19, 2021 at 09:37 AM

TK

“ *Dear Barb and Family,
My heart is broken. A true blue gentleman. Kind, compassionate,
truly caring, honest, hardworking, dearly loved. Heaven has gained
a precious Angel who will not leave your side. Remember there is a
soft veil that separates the cross. We are on the side with tears, he
awaits the love of his life from the side of hope, faith and eternal
love. I am grateful and humbled to be able to say he was my friend.
I love you, Barb!
Theresa Kennedy*

theresa kennedy - January 19, 2021 at 06:13 AM

SG

“ *Dear Barb and family,

At this difficult may peace and love surround you.

Sympathy and prayers.

Sandy & Mike Gamari*

Sandy Gamari - January 18, 2021 at 11:14 PM

EZ

“ *Dear Barb and family my sincere condolences to you all! Bill was
loved by so many The Melrose St neighbors will always remember
him especially John and Felicia. May your memories of him and the
love he had for you all sustain your grief! ..<3 Eileen zieba*

Eileen zieba - January 18, 2021 at 10:58 PM

BB

“ Dear Barb & Family
I was saddened to learn of Bill's passing.
Sending my sincere heartfelt condolences to
you all. May God hold you all close during this
difficult time.
Barb Bessette



Barbara Bessette - January 18, 2021 at 06:37 PM



“Shake the hand that shook the hand of your Uncle Mike” - Bill and I
must of said that to each other for 20 plus years. Bill was a smart
man and I really looked up to him. He will be missed.

Michael Wall - January 18, 2021 at 06:16 PM

TR

Bill was a neighbor of mine. I found him to be a great and caring guy.
My sympathy to Barb and family.

tim rowley - January 19, 2021 at 03:15 PM

EL

We were sorry to hear of your loss. Bill will always be remembered as
a kind and loving man. Please accept our deepest condolences for
your family and mostly for you Barb.
Sincerely, Butch & Evelyn Leighfield

Evelyn Leighfield - January 20, 2021 at 12:32 AM

GF

So. Sad to hear of Bill's passing. He will always be remembered for
being so kind and such a gentle spirit. Barb, you have wonderful
memories that will help get through a difficult time. I'll never forget our
Florida adventures. God Bless. Gladys Fontes

Gladys Fontes - January 20, 2021 at 04:37 PM