



## William Sikorski

January 9, 2014

Mr. William F. Sikorski, Jr., 82, of 6 Overlook Terrace, Adams, died Thursday afternoon, January 9, 2014, at Williamstown Commons.

He was born in Adams on July 25, 1931, the son of the late William and Stacia (Michalski) Sikorski. He attended St. Stanislaus Elementary School, and graduated from the former Adams High School in 1949.

He received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Psychology from Boston University, and then earned his Master's Degree in Russian Studies from Middlebury College.

He was a Veteran of the Korean Conflict, serving with the US Army from 1954 until receiving his Honorable Discharge in 1956.

Mr. Sikorski worked as a teacher in the Social Studies department of Mt. Greylock Regional High School in Williamstown for 28 years, until retiring in 1990. Earlier, he had taught for 6 years at C.T. Plunkett School in Adams. He was a communicant of St. Mary of the Assumption Church, Cheshire. He was a former communicant of St. Stanislaus Kostka Church, Adams, where he had served on the Parish Council and as a Lector; and was a Religious Education Teacher. He was a Past President and Board Member of the Adams Historical Society, and was a member of the Polish National Alliance, St. Michael's Society, Massachusetts Teacher's Association and National Education Association.

He is survived by several cousins and close friends.

Funeral services will be held on Monday, January 13th, at 10:00 AM in the

PACIOREK FUNERAL HOME, 13 Hoosac St. Adams.

Rev. David Raymond, Pastor of St. Mary of the Assumption Church, Cheshire, will officiate.

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

Calling hours are Monday morning from 9:00 AM until the service at the funeral home.

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

# Tribute Wall



“ *Bill was my History teacher in Jr High and later I got to know him as a patient where I worked, we had many meaningful conversations. He was a great teacher and a lovely person. Rest in Peace.*

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“ *Bill and I had many fun adventures on our Maine trips over many years. He was class all the way! I miss the fun times we had! Flo and I enjoyed our times with Bill. Farewell, friend! Art & Flo Bourdon*

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“ *Enjoyed his class at AMHS.*

**tina ford** - June 07, 2018 at 12:31 PM



“ *Outstanding teacher, intellect, linguist, friend and colleague. Bill, I am ever grateful for your generosity, compassion, trustworthiness, equilibrium, and spirit. Your appreciation and, indeed love, for history, travel, music, good food and especially, everything Polish--have added immeasurably to our lives. You knew pain and suffering and never complained. I see you now with your good friend Blessed John Paul II and in the arms of Jesus. Faith full man--I will miss you.*

**Martha Dailey** - June 07, 2018 at 12:31 PM

CT

“ Bill was a very important part of our life. He was the usher at our wedding 45 years ago and the godfather to our daughter. We've spent many happy times together in Adams or here in Nashua. Bill was kindhearted, friendly, generous, and courageous during these last few painful years. He was a gourmet and loved to sample new foods. We loved hearing about his travels to other countries. He will be sadly missed. We love you, Bill.

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**Claire Ternan** - June 07, 2018 at 12:31 PM

CY

“ Bill was a gifted educator, supportive colleague, and treasured friend. May he know peace.

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**Cheryl Yarter** - June 07, 2018 at 12:31 PM

AH

“ Wonderful teacher! Mt. Greylock was very lucky to have him for so long! ` Amy Gurnett Hamilton Class of 1988

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**Amy Hamilton** - June 07, 2018 at 12:31 PM

JG

“ I loved having Mr. Simorski as my high school history teacher. He was wonderful and will be dearly missed.

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**Joe Greene** - June 07, 2018 at 12:31 PM

EJ

“ When I was in Jr. High, Bill would stand outside his classroom between classes and greet students. He would say, "Hi I" and I would answer, "Hi Ski". I could always count on his smile and greeting.

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**Eileen Jones** - June 07, 2018 at 12:31 PM



“ Bill was a much loved member of our extended family, friend for fifty years and godfather to our daughter. We remember many happy times with him. He was a compassionate, loving man with a great sense of humor. We will miss you, Bill.

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“ Mr. Sikorski was an awesome teacher! Have always remembered him and his passion for the subject matter and getting kids to think about both sides of issues. What a great teacher he was. Mt Greylock and the students were lucky to have him.

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**Chuck Roberts** - June 07, 2018 at 12:31 PM



“ I am so sorry. Mr. Sikorski was a great teacher and wonderful person.

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**Carl Villanueva** - June 07, 2018 at 12:31 PM



“ Bill was a gentleman, a dedicated and gifted teacher, a delightful wit and a dear friend. Most of all, he was a good man. Bless you Bill. Safe journey.

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**Christopher DeBlois** - June 07, 2018 at 12:31 PM



“ I was a 7th grader Mr. sikorski was my homeroom teacher rip bill

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**joe flynn** - June 07, 2018 at 12:31 PM

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“ I had the great joy of knowing Mr. Sikorski long before I attended Mt. Greylock (class of '92) - my mom (Sue Gigliotti) has worked there since I was a baby works there still....When I was little I used spend many early mornings there waiting for the buses to let the high school kids off and start the elementary school run....Mr. Sikorski always made time for me and we spent many early morning playing wall ball in the hallway - I have and will always cherish and remember those days...what an incredible man!

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**Natalie (DeBussy) Whelihan** - June 07, 2018 at 12:31 PM

SR

“ Mr. Sikorski was my Russian teacher and Russian history teacher at MGRHS from '65-'67. I enjoyed his classes. May you rest in peace.

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**Susan Goldenberg Raskind** - June 07, 2018 at 12:31 PM

SN

“ Memories of your wonderful laugh barreling down the hallways at MGRHS in between classes rings in my ears. You would stand at the doorway to your classroom and greet us all and laugh at all our sillies or offer some comment that would get us going. What a wonderful man. What a beautiful heart. Thank you for teaching my sons. Now, find Betty DeBlois and party. Love, Sylvia M. Niznik

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**sylvia m. Niznik** - June 07, 2018 at 12:31 PM

HF

“ I enjoyed Mr. Sikorski's history class when I was in the 7th grade at Plunkett Jr. High in 1958-59. What I learned there helped form a base for the numerous history courses I took at UMass-Amherst under the G.I. Bill after finishing my enlistment in the military.In  
Sympathy,Hank Frydel

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**Henry Frydel** - June 07, 2018 at 12:31 PM

CD

“ *A gentleman, a wit, a kind and caring friend, a world traveler, a generous soul, and a good man - we will miss you, remember you, and cherish the warmth and love you brought to so many lives. I've retold your quip about Chinese Harry Potter sequels to so many friends I've lost count, just as I could never count the number of students, colleagues and friends whose lives were better for having you in them. Safe travels, Bill.*

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**Christopher DeBlois** - June 07, 2018 at 12:31 PM

LP

“ *RIP Bill. You will be remembered as a great teacher.*

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**Lynn Pangburn** - June 07, 2018 at 12:31 PM