



John R. Wilchynski

May 28, 1930 - April 25, 2022

John Richard Wilchynski, 91, a lifelong Hamden resident, passed away Monday, April 25, 2022 at St Raphael Campus of Yale New Haven Hospital. He was born May 28, 1930 on the family homestead in Hamden, the firstborn to Jan and Helen Wilczynski and was a graduate of Hamden High School. John enjoyed going to Polish Hops (dances) held all over CT and it was at one of them that he met his future wife, Dorothy Ryzewski. They were married two years later and built a home in Westwoods. They have two children, Karen Hajus and husband Keith of Madison and Stephen Wilchynski and wife Cathy of Hamden and four granddaughters, Stephanie and Jessica Wilchynski and Lauren and Claire Hajus. John also leaves his brother Ronald Wilchynski and a sister Marilyn Gruszkowski. He was predeceased by a brother Louis Wilchynski and a sister Janice Dougherty. John started a contracting business, General Land Services "We Dig It", buying a large truck, trailer and backhoe and dug house foundations, swimming pools, septic systems, sewers and all kinds of in groundwork. He was a true workaholic and entrepreneur owning five businesses during his lifetime. He was an honorary life member of Council #3605 Knights of Columbus where he was the BINGO caller. He was also a charter member of the Westwoods Volunteer Fire Co # 9. Prior to his marriage he served in the Army National Guard where he was a musician for eight years with the 102nd Division Army Band. John and Dorothy loved to travel, especially with Vin and Pat Capuano and they went many places including, Italy, England, Scotland, Wales, Greece, Las Vegas, New Orleans,

Florida, Hawaii, Disney World and Epcot and took many cruises to various islands in the Bahamas and Bermuda. John's family sends a special thanks to the Doctors and Nurses at St. Raphael's Hospital for making this difficult time a little easier through their kindness and compassion. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Assoc., 1 Union St., Wallingford, CT 06492

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Thursday at 12:00 (noon) in Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, Whitney Ave., Hamden. Burial will follow in ST Mary's Cemetery. Friends may call at Sisk Brothers Funeral Home, 3105 Whitney Ave., Hamden, Thursday morning prior to the mass from 9:30-11:30. www.siskbrothers.com

Cemetery Details

St. Mary Cemetery

3102 Whitney Ave.
Hamden, CT

Previous Events

Calling hours

APR 28. 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

Sisk Brothers Funeral Home
3105 Whitney Ave.
Hamden, CT 06518
(203) 288-7114
siskfuneral@sbcglobal.net

Funeral service

APR 28. 12:00 PM (ET)

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church
2819 Whitney Ave.
Hamden, CT

Tribute Wall

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“ To the Wilchynski family our deepest sympathies at the loss of John. He was A wonderful man who always had a kind word. I remember conversations he would have with my dad about farm tractors. They loved to talk about farm tractors. Now they could have those conversations in heaven. Till we all meet again someday rest in peace John. To the Wilchynski family Please take comfort in knowing that John now stands with the Lord smiling down and watching over you.

Dennis, Cathy & Steven Massaro

Dennis Massaro - April 26, 2022 at 10:00 AM