



## Thomas Ryan

December 26, 1930 - July 30, 2013

Thomas J. Ryan (82), of Hamden, died July 30. He leaves his wife of 55 years, Lee (Mullin) Ryan, a son, Michael Ryan, of Wallingford, and daughters and sons-in-law, Karen and Rod White, of Bethany, Colleen and Patrick Riley, of Fairfield, Paula and John Beckman, of Pelham Manor, NY and Bethanne Ryan of Branford. He was the grandfather of Brendan and Caitlin White, Aedan and Clare Ryan, William and Noah Riley, and Nicole and Jake Beckman. He also leaves sisters Mary Burke of Rancho Santa Margarita, CA and Patrice Scavone of Niantic. He was predeceased by sister Jean McGrath of Portland, ME. Born in Worcester, MA, son of Edward and Alice (Conlon) Ryan, he graduated from South HS and The Colorado School of Mines as a metallurgical engineer. He was a veteran of the US Army. He retired as Plant Manager at PGP Industries-Gerald Metals. A member of St. Joan of Arc Church; he was a founding member and former President of the Hamden Youth Hockey Assn. as well as a former President of the Alice Peck School PTA. After his retirement Tom was an active volunteer at The Hospital of St. Raphael and St. Ann's Soup Kitchen. Tom's greatest joy was spending time with his children and grandchildren. He was never without a project and worked tirelessly in the yard and garden. He was extraordinarily capable and reliable, and found great pleasure in helping friends and neighbors. He was admired for his quiet intelligence, strength and humility. His family will miss him profoundly. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Saturday at 10 a.m. in St. Joan of Arc Church. Friends are asked to go directly to church.

Burial in St. Mary's Cemetery. Calling hours are Friday from 3 - 7 p.m. at Sisk Brothers Funeral Home 3105 Whitney Ave. Hamden. In lieu of flowers contributions to The Hospital of St. Raphael 1450 Chapel St. New Haven, CT. 06511 [www.siskbros.com](http://www.siskbros.com)

# Tribute Wall

BE

“ I want thank everyone for their kindness to my dad.

beth - August 02, 2013 at 09:42 PM

EH

“ Tom was a high school classmate of mine at South High in Worcester, Ma. He was a great friend. My deepest sympathy.

*Betty Jardus Hanlon*

Elizabeth Hanlon - August 02, 2013 at 08:19 PM

MB

“ Karen- So sorry for you and your family. The loss of a parent can never be prepared for. Our Prayers and love go out to all of you. Love, The Binkowski's

Mary Binkowski - August 02, 2013 at 05:00 PM

MN

“ We are very sorry for your loss. Our Saint Raphael's waiting room was never the same without you. We will never forget how you used to come in every morning to the recovery room and say here's my girls. God bless and rest in peace. Our deepest sympathy to your family forever your Saint Raphael's PACU girls.

Michelle Nuzzo - August 01, 2013 at 11:50 AM

JM

“ *What a wonderful man and what a wonderful life he had. I always admired the way his family always came first. My deepest sympathy goes out to you. God Bless all of you at this time. I thank God everyday he was in my son Patrick's life. Love to all of you.*

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**Joyce McVey** - August 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ *Karen, Rod and the rest of your family..so sorry to learn of his passing. May you find comfort in the many memories he built and left for you as gifts to enrich your lives.*

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**jack Regan** - August 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ *Karen, I saw your Dad last week and as hard as he was trying to recover the focus of our conversation was his children and grandchildren! His face just LIT up! We pray that the special memories you and your family have will bring you some peace and comfort during this difficult time! Michele, Carl, Kelly and Tim*

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**Michele and Carl Backus** - July 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ *Mr. Ryan was a great person and will be missed. Your Friends from Nelson Ambulance*

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**Mark Lesage** - July 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM