



William F. Earley Sr.

March 18, 1929 - May 29, 2023

William F. Earley, Sr., of Hamden, passed away peacefully on May 29, 2023 at the age of 94. He was born March 18, 1929 in New Haven, son of the late William J. and Emma Price Earley. He was the beloved husband of Lucille Adinolfi Earley for 62 years, who passed away in 2015. Raised in New Haven, he was a 1948 graduate of the Boardman Trade School in New Haven, CT, as an automotive mechanic. He was employed by Cooley Chevrolet in New Haven before becoming a Patrolman for the Yale University Campus Police in 1956. Bill joined the Hamden Police Department in 1957 as a Patrolman, and later attained the rank of Detective in 1966. During his police career he received numerous Letters of Recognition and Certificates of Commendations. After 31 years of service with the Hamden Police Department, Detective Bill Earley retired in 1988. He then became a serviceman for the Thurston Foods Company in Wallingford, CT. Bill was a three-year veteran of the United States Army from 1948-1951, serving in the Korean War with famed 24th Infantry Division obtaining the rank of Corporal. He was awarded the Bronze Star, The Purple Heart, The Korean Service Medal with five Major Battles, The United Nations Medal, United Defense Medal, Occupation Medal (Japan), Good Conduct Medal and the United States Presidential/Korean Presidential Unit Citations. On June 25, 2000, the South Korean government awarded him the Korean War Service Medal. He was a member of the 24th Infantry Division Assoc., Korean War Veterans Assoc., Disabled American Veterans Assoc., and the Veterans of Foreign

Wars Assoc.

Bill is survived by his four sons, William Jr. (Claudia), Michael (Christine), James (Lori) and Robert. He leaves five very special grandchildren, Brian Earley (Marisa), Jenna Arnett (Robert), Justin Earley, Zachary Earley and Taylor Earley. In addition, he was so proud of his great-grandchildren, Adriana Earley, Nicholas Earley and Addison Arnett. The family would like to extend their heartfelt gratitude to the entire staff of Benchmark Senior Living of Hamden, Connecticut for the love and care that they provided for Bill during the last two years. A special thank you to the Hospice Care Team who made his life comfortable during the past two months. A Mass of Christian Burial will take place at St. Paul VI Parish/Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church, 2819 Whitney Avenue, Hamden, Wednesday, June 7th at 10:00 AM. Friends are asked to go directly to church. Burial, with full military honors, will follow in Beaverdale Memorial Cemetery. Calling hours at Sisk Brothers Funeral Home, 3105 Whitney Ave., Hamden will be Tuesday, June 6th from 5:00 – 8:00PM. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Wounded Warrior Project, PO Box 758540, Topeka, Kansas 66675-8540. To leave an online condolence please visit www.siskbrothers.com

Cemetery Details

Beaverdale Memorial Park

90 Pine Rock Ave.
Hamden, CT

Previous Events

Calling hours

JUN 6. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Funeral service

JUN 7. 10:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Mt Carmel
2819 Whitney Ave
Hamden, CT 06518-2544
(203) 248-0141

Tribute Wall

MJ

“ Sending peace and comfort. Bill worked my with dad (Lt Charles Atzbach). Fun memories of parties at the Quinn's house! .
May he Rest in Peace and may your memories bring you comfort.

With Sympathy

Meg Atzbach Jenkins

Meg Atzbach Jenkins - June 07, 2023 at 04:14 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of William F. Earley Sr..

June 05, 2023 at 02:00 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of William F. Earley Sr..



June 05, 2023 at 02:00 PM

JW

“ My condolences to your family. I always enjoyed visiting with your parents Bill. Your Dad always had a smile on his face.

Joan Woll - June 02, 2023 at 10:28 AM

HL

“ My deepest condolences to the Earley family. A decorated Veteran. Devoted to his family. A hard nosed but always fair Police Officer. A good friend, especially when I needed one. St Patrick Day parades in NYC, Ct Police Assoc events and the 95 House were always good times. RIP Bill.

Hank Lyon - June 02, 2023 at 09:34 AM

JF

Sending our condolences to the Early family. So very sorry for your loss. What a distinguished gentleman! We know he was proud of your beautiful family. Love John and Jo Farley

Josephine Farley - June 06, 2023 at 08:11 AM

SD

“ Enjoyed all the years I worked together with Bill. But most of all enjoyed all the laughs we had. Bill was a great friend. RIP Bill. Skip Dunham

Skip Dunham - May 30, 2023 at 07:49 PM

JF

“ Next to the picture of this man should read the words "Class Act, True Professional, Great Friend, and Loved by all that knew him! Billy Earley was great to work with on the Hamden Police Department and as I look at his picture I can only think of one more thing to say... Safe travels home... Heaven awaits another helper for St. Michael... RIP Bill...

James (Jim) Foley - May 30, 2023 at 06:50 PM

DH

Bill you will be missed by many. I remember you and I started the annual St Patrick's Day Parade trip to march in the New York's St Patrick's Day Parade. We had many good times together. Your birthday was on th18th and mine on the 16th of March. We exchanged stories about Korea & Japan. You were a straight forward tough no BS guy. Always admired you." May the road rise to meet you May the wind be at your back May the sun shine warm upon your face May the rains fall soft upon your fields And until we meet again may god hold you in the palm of His hand" Your in my prayers. Save me a place In Heaven near you. RIP my friend.

dennis hennessy - May 31, 2023 at 01:20 PM