



William I. McNamara Jr.

July 27, 1918 - April 4, 2011

William I. McNamara Jr., age 92, a resident of the Royal Oak and Berkley areas for the past 88 years, died April 4, 2011 at Providence Hospital in Southfield. He was born July 27, 1918 in Providence, RI to the late William and Anna McNamara. Mr. McNamara was a World War II U.S. Army veteran. He retired in 1976 from Ford Motor Co. after 43 years working as a supervisor in the Quality Control Department. He was an avid golfer, enjoyed bowling and belonged to the Dearborn Frame Plant Survivors. Beloved husband of Muriel A. Trevarrow McNamara and the late Helen V. Shaw McNamara. Loving father of Sharon L. Bob Toms of Holly, JoAnn James Shapton of Greenville, MI and the late Bill T. Roberts. Dear brother of the late Ross McNamara. Brother-in-law of Helen McNamara. Proud grandfather of Robert Mary Shapton, William Shapton, Matthew Shawn Shapton, Jennifer Toms, Michelle Roberts and Tom Jenny Roberts. Great grandfather of Allison, Travis, Caraline, Stephanie, Reagan, Birdgeen and Oliver. There will be a memorial visitation Friday 12 noon until the time of the memorial service 2 p.m. at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W Eleven Mile Road 4 blks. E of Woodward, Royal Oak. Inurnment at Oakview Cemetery in Royal Oak. Memorials to the American Cancer Society or American Heart Association appreciated. Share your memories at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com.

Tribute Wall

LC

“ My thoughts and prayers are with all the McNamara's at this time. Uncle Bill was a wonderful man and he will be greatly missed. May God bless and comfort all your families during this difficult time.

Linda McNamara Cripe - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ We will miss you Uncle Bill. 23 years ago, Grandpa Mac Ross and Uncle Bill came to CA to visit my family. They put a golf club in my hand for the first time and taught me how to swing the club. That day changed my life. As I grew up, I always appreciated Uncle Bill's phone calls to check in and see how my golf game was doing as I played in HS and college. On August 28, 2004, my dream McNamara golf group came true when my dad Dave, Uncle Dennis, Cousin Danny, Grandpa Mac Ross, and Uncle Bill all played 18 holes. The men that started my golf career were all finally together. Uncle Bill, you're an example to us all. Quite dignity is how I knew you. You were kind to me and always willing to listen even if you didn't hear every word I said. You're a great McNamara. You honored the name and dignified its heritage. You have raised the bar on how we all can be better McNamara's. Thank you for improving my life and every other life you were ever a part of. -Brian

Brian, Mindy, Austin, Tyler, Kaylee, and Macie McNamara - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ Uncle Bill was the kindest man. He will be greatly missed by all who had the honor to know him. A great uncle!

Cindi McNamara - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ Uncle Bill was the best Uncle you'll ever find. Always keep in touch and always provided a laugh. I will truly miss him. I only wish I could be there but it's tough from California. I will be thinking of you Friday the 8th and will celebrate your life forever. Dave McNamara

Dave - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Dearest Grandma, Mother, and Aunt Sharon I am praying that during this time of reflection you take comfort in knowing that Grandpa Mac is walking peacefully with Our Lord and Savior, each step strong and sure. My memories are so precious, long walks, bike rides, and even a game of golf. We will all cherish the times spent and the words of encouragement that we received. Grandpa Mac possessed a youthful vigor that always rose to the top of everything that he did, charm and wit to raise your spirits when you were down, unconditional love and compassion, how about croquet, he always let us kids win. So many great memories. We will all miss you and would love to have one more hug and kiss to say goodbye, we will see you again one day. We Love You.

Matthew, Shawn, Allison, Travis, Caraline, and Stephanie Shapton - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Sharon, I am sorry to hear of your loss. It has been a difficult time for your father as well as yourself these past few years. May G*D grant you his peace and comfort at this time. Jack Bickler

JACK BICKLER - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RO

“ Dear Great Grandma and Grandma. We heard the passing of Great Grandpa while playing cards up north with the kids. I'm glad we were all sitting down together when the phone rang, as I knew what happened. The kids were aware that grandpa was having trouble and it's still very hard. We loved him very much, what a great man to have as a Grandpa and Great Grandpa! We have been talking about him and all the great things you two have done for our family as grandparents and great grandparents...wow. We all thank you and so love you both! Mary and I are so touched that our kids had the chance to know the both of you. Lots of love!! As for me Robert, my experience was better yet, not only as a grandson but to live in Royal Oak with you. How lucky am I? I will miss grandpa, his active life, his humor, his gracious generosity, his edge and that always occurring response to something he just won't believe you said...."your joking"

Robert, Mary, Reagan, Bridgeen & Oliver - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JS

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