



Ernest C. Paradis

May 22, 1928 - April 23, 2020

FITCHBURG: Ernest C. Paradis, 91, passed away due to complications associated with the Covid-19 virus on April 23, 2020. He was a resident of The Highlands, Fitchburg where he was surrounded by many whom became friends as well as caregivers.

The youngest child of the late Napoleon Paradis and Clerina Chretien Paradis, of St. Romuald and St. Arsene, Quebec, Canada respectively. Ernie spent his youth in Greenville, NH, before moving to Fitchburg to marry and raise his family.

Ernie is predeceased by his wife Claire Paradis with whom he will spend eternity, hand in hand, lovingly watching over his family. Upon his passing, he leaves his daughter, Louise Saball and her husband Bill of Gardner, a son Richard Paradis and his wife Cathy of Ashburnham and a son David Paradis and his partner Debbie King of Westminster. Pep also leaves his grandchildren, Adam Saball and his wife Jessica, Amy Williams and her husband Brandon, Andrea Saball and her partner Brendan, Nicole Paradis and here partner, Colin and Joshua Paradis.

Ernie recently had two new great-grandchildren that he was able to meet briefly; each bringing an extra special twinkle to his tired eyes and a hearty chuckle every time he saw their beautiful smiles, Holden Saball and Melody Williams.

He is also predeceased by four sisters, Eveline Vaillancourt, Gertrude Nadeau, Annette Beaudet and Theresa Berube.

Ernie lived most of his life in Fitchburg, working and retiring from General Electric, but was also a Veteran of WW2, serving his country in the US Army. He was a member of the American Legion, a skilled horseshoe player, enjoyed playing pool and was a CB radio enthusiast.

Later in life he enjoyed his many trips to the Sportsman Club with his son Rich, playing pool and watching his New England Patriots or those "damn Patriots" when they would fall

behind in scoring or lose the game.

A quiet man, gentle in soul and simple in life became bigger in heart as he watched over his family, spending time with each and making sure we were well.

Though Ernie spent his final days in quarantine due to the virus, he was surrounded by the loving staff at The Highlands for whom his family is most grateful.

The family wishes to extend our gratitude to those that cared for and guided Ernie through life as he battled the many ravages of aging.

His burial took place at the Massachusetts Veterans Cemetery in Winchendon, Massachusetts where his beloved wife Claire joined him. A Memorial Service with Military Honors will be held 2 PM Saturday, November 14, 2020 at the Isabelle & Anderson Funeral Home, 316 Clarendon Street, Fitchburg. For further information or to leave an online condolence, please visit their www.andersonfuneral.com.

Cemetery Details

Massachusetts Veterans Cemetery

111 Glenallen Street
Winchendon, MA

Previous Events

Memorial Service

NOV **14**. 2:00 PM.

Isabelle & Anderson Funeral Home
316 Clarendon St
Fitchburg, MA

Tribute Wall



“ *Red, White & Blue Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Ernest C. Paradis.*



November 08, 2020 at 08:06 AM



“ *I worked at the highlands last year from 9/2018 to 9/2019 and just loved Ernie from the second I met him. I walked in on orientation and he gave me his gentle nod when I said hi, just like he did everyday for the next year that I was working. My favorite days were the days we played bingo because I knew how much he loved it. Or when the baseball game was on, it would be like no one else was in the room. He will be greatly missed by all and his family is in my thoughts.*

Caitlin - May 01, 2020 at 01:49 PM



“ *I cared for Ernie at the Highlands, over the last two years he became someone I was excited to see everyday. While on isolation he would frequently call me into his room to sing me Let Me Call You Sweetheart, I will remember him fondly and miss seeing his face everyday, he was so loved. My thoughts and prayers are with the family during this difficult time.*

Trisha Randall - May 01, 2020 at 01:17 PM

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“ It has been almost 40 years since the day we met, you were down in your shop in the basement, at that work bench we still have, tinkering with this and that, barking about something that really didn't matter. You had that bright orange Ford Pinto and we haggled over our CB Radio call signs, you telling me mine was wrong, and me wondering why it mattered. That was our relationship, as it began to grow into something so incredibly wonderful that lasted all these many years. You never made me feel like an in-law, just another son and for that I am proud to say you will always be more to me than a father-in-law, you were my Dad too! Rest well Dad, you deserve that and so much more that I wish we could have provided you in life but you did give me your greatest treasure, your daughter, my wife, Louise with whom we have three amazing children and now two of the most beautiful grandchildren, your Great-Grandchildren!!

Though we miss you greatly, we are all so happy that you are at peace, no longer bothered by the impairments of age or trivial details of life. You are now forever side by side with Mom, watching over your flock, guiding us each through life. We shall see both again someday, but for now, my damn call sign was KAUD4073 and this is the Kingfisher saying we'll catch you on the flip flop of life.

Love You Dad,
Bill

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Paradis Family. Please know you are all in my thoughts and prayers and hope you find peace in the beautiful memories he left behind. I feel very fortunate to have known Ernie and to have spent so many family times with him and Claire. He was a wonderful , caring person. Love, Suzie Cormier

LorraineSuzieCormier - April 28, 2020 at 02:48 PM