



Alphee P. Levesque Jr.

July 12, 1933 - June 4, 2024

SHIRLEY: It is with great sadness that the family of Alphee P. Levesque, Jr. announce his passing on June 4, 2024 at the age of 90 years.

Alphee will be lovingly remembered by his son Dennis and daughter-in-law Colleen (McGinnis); daughter Lorna (Levesque) Schwartz and son-in-law David; grandchildren, Kristy (Levesque) O'Connor, Matthew Levesque, Stephanie (Schwartz) Hemenway, Shannon (Schwartz) Lawton, Sabrina (Schwartz) Carroll; great-grandchildren Karlee, Kaycee and Kelcee O'Connor; Jett, Jordyn and Jaylen Hemenway; Sinead, Sheala and Shauna Lawton; Carson Carroll; sister Jeannette Larochelle; brother-in-law Roger Stebbins and several nieces and nephews and extended family. He is predeceased by wife of 68 years, Doris (Stebbins) Levesque who passed away on May 2, 2024, sisters Lillian Lambert and Irene Levesque; brothers-in-law, Merlin Lambert and Richard Larochelle, Daniel Stebbins; sisters-in-law, Phyllis Stebbins and Dolores Stebbins.

Born to Alphee P. Levesque, Sr. and Mary (Landry) Levesque in Shirley on July 12, 1933, Alphee planted his roots and would remain in Shirley his entire life. He would meet the love of his life, Doris, while attending grammar school. After graduating from Fitchburg High School, Alphee served his country during the Korean War, receiving an honorable discharge from the Army. When he returned home, he married Doris and built their forever home in Shirley where

they raised their family. He continued to serve his country as a full-time member of the National Guard stationed at Fort Devens, MA, rising to the rank of Warrant Officer 3 at the time of his retirement in 1993. His love and loyalty to his family extended beyond to the town which he called home. Alphee was a dedicated member of his community. He served with the Shirley Fire Department for 46 years beginning in 1952 where he would achieve the title of Chief in 1972 and led the department for 26 years in that role, retiring in 1998. His contributions didn't stop there. He voluntarily served in several positions in the town including Civil Defense Director and Right to Know Coordinator; he was a member of the Communications Committee, Design/Construction Committee responsible for several of the Town Buildings and Schools that exist today. He also served as Little League President and coached for several years. The dugouts that still stand at the Little League Field are a product of his labor. He was a member of the American Legion where he served as Commander and a member of St. Anthony's Holy Name Society and was a proud member of the "over the hill gang" who constructed the new parish hall.

There was no grander pleasure than that of his family. He enjoyed family gatherings and family vacations to York Beach Maine, vacationing in Florida during the winter and cruises to Bermuda. He will be remembered for all the heart he shared with his family, friends, and community. He truly loved each of them- and if you knew him, you knew it. When his time came, he carried himself with dignity, strength, and full of love. He will be missed dearly but never forgotten.

Alphee's family will receive relatives and friends at calling hours Monday, June 10, 2024 from 4-7 PM at the Anderson Funeral Home, 25 Fitchburg Road, (Rte 2A) Ayer. Alphee's funeral Mass will be celebrated 10 AM Tuesday, June 11, 2024 at St. Anthony's Church, 14 Phoenix Street, Shirley. Interment will be in the parish cemetery.

The family would like to acknowledge their gratitude to the Shirley Fire Department and VNA Care, especially Kristen Panzarella for their compassion, assistance, and support during these sorrowful times. In lieu of flowers a charitable donation can be made to either organization: Shirley Fire Department, 8 Leominster Rd. Shirley, MA 01464 or VNA Care, 80 Erdman Way Leominster, MA 01453

Cemetery Details

St. Anthony's Cemetery

Shaker Road
Shirley, MA

Previous Events

Calling Hours

JUN 10. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Anderson Funeral Home
25 Fitchburg Road
Ayer, MA 01432
info@andersonfuneral.com

Funeral Mass

JUN 11. 10:00 AM (ET)

St Anthony of Padua Church
14 Phoenix St
Shirley, MA 01464-2507
(978) 772-2414

Tribute Wall

RS

“ Robert Stebbins and Andrea very sorry for your loss they will be missed

Robert Stebbins - June 10, 2024 at 06:17 PM

RS

“ Robert S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Alphee P. Levesque Jr..

Robert S. - June 10, 2024 at 06:12 PM

TF

“ The Lawton Family purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Alphee P. Levesque Jr..



The Lawton Family - June 09, 2024 at 08:36 PM

Profile icon

“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Alphee P. Levesque Jr..



June 09, 2024 at 02:55 PM

TW

“ *Tobby Wheeler planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Alphee P. Levesque Jr..*

Tobby Wheeler - June 09, 2024 at 02:55 PM

TF

“ *The Kerrigan Family purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Alphee P. Levesque Jr..*



The Kerrigan Family - June 09, 2024 at 12:10 PM

TF

“ *The Kerrigan Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Alphee P. Levesque Jr..*

The Kerrigan Family - June 09, 2024 at 12:10 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Alphee P. Levesque Jr..*



June 08, 2024 at 02:47 PM

AD

“ Al and Kelly Deshler planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Alphee P. Levesque Jr..

Al and Kelly Deshler - June 08, 2024 at 02:47 PM

JG

“ Lorna and Dennis - I'm so sorry for the loss of your dad...and I see only a month ago, your mom. What two lovely and fine people! Your dad was so kind and compassionate towards my dad (Hank Gendron) - especially when he served as a volunteer fire fighter. When my dad could no longer physically head out on fires, your dad did everything he could to continue to make a place for my dad to be part of the community and team. As it turned out, it was too tough for my (stubborn ;) dad to stay back and operate dispatch while his friends were on a fire. My dad and mom held your folks in such high regards. Much love to you both during this time.

John Gendron - June 07, 2024 at 02:16 PM

BM

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Doris and Alphee meant a lot to our family from little league to bingo and beyond!! Sending prayers to all of your family.

Bunny (Marcinkewicz) Mills and family

Bernice Mills - June 07, 2024 at 02:12 PM

WJ

“ Very sorry for the family loss. The town of Shirley lost a good man.

William E Payne Jr. - June 07, 2024 at 09:46 AM

TL

“ Todd & Liz purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Alphee P. Levesque Jr..



Todd & Liz - June 05, 2024 at 06:58 PM

EB

“ My sympathy to you and your family Dennis.I crossed paths with your Dad many times both on and off the fire ground and developed a high regard for his leadership always calm effective and welcoming.Shirley has lost a great man.

Ed Byrne - June 05, 2024 at 03:22 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Alphee P. Levesque Jr..



June 05, 2024 at 12:19 PM

GL

“ George and Debby Lambert planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Alphee P. Levesque Jr..

George and Debby Lambert - June 05, 2024 at 12:19 PM

GL

“ My heartfelt condolences to Dennis and Lorna and their families at this difficult time. Alphee was not just a neighbor but a true friend and mentor in his capacity as a guardsman. He will be missed by so many. RIP my friend.

George Lambert

George Lambert - June 05, 2024 at 12:08 PM

RG

“ Dennis and Lorna, my deepest condolences to you and your families for losing such a great man, father, grandfather, and friend to all who knew him. The last time I saw him was when he was visiting your mom in Littleton, you could see the depth of his love for her, and now he is in glory with her. May Christ's peace surround you and bring you comfort and peace.

Rich Gendron - June 05, 2024 at 10:31 AM

KC

“ I am so deeply sorry for your loss. Alfie was a wonderful man, who touched the lives of many. May you find strength and solace in the memories you all shared together.

Kerry Cooper - June 05, 2024 at 07:49 AM

KC

“ Kerry Cooper lit a candle in memory of Alphee P. Levesque Jr.



Kerry Cooper - June 05, 2024 at 07:46 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Alphee P. Levesque Jr..*



June 05, 2024 at 06:57 AM



“ *Alphee was and will always be the heart of the Shirley fire department and remembered by all who had the pleasure of knowing him. Thank you for the service to our community. May he rest in peace now with his beloved wife. My deepest condolences to his family. God bless you and wrap his arms around you.*

Pat Krauchune - June 04, 2024 at 10:09 PM



“ *Sending my deepest condolences to the family of Alphee Levesque Jr*

Denise Stepleton - June 04, 2024 at 08:36 PM



“ *Denise Stepleton lit a candle in memory of Alphee P. Levesque Jr.*



Denise Stepleton - June 04, 2024 at 08:34 PM

NT

“ Nancy Tarbell lit a candle in memory of Alphee P. Levesque Jr.



Nancy Tarbell - June 04, 2024 at 08:05 PM

AF

“ Amy Fairweather lit a candle in memory of Alphee P. Levesque Jr.



Amy Fairweather - June 04, 2024 at 06:41 PM

SM

“ We are all so sorry to hear the passing of Alphee. He was a true gentleman and will be missed by so many. Our thoughts and prayers are with the whole family through this very difficult time....R.I.P. Alphee 🙏❤️

Love from all of us at Tiny's

Sharon Mauro - June 04, 2024 at 05:26 PM