



## Arthur J. Boisseau

March 5, 1933 - December 7, 2022

AYER- Arthur J. Boisseau, 89, of Ayer, passed away on Wednesday morning, December 7, 2022 in his home surrounded by his loving family.

Arthur was born in Ayer on March 5, 1933 a son of the late Paul L. and Gertrude (Kidder) Boisseau and has resided there his entire life. He was a 1950 graduate of Ayer High School and would later earn his degree from Northeastern University in 1976.

Arthur joined the U.S. Navy and served his Country from 1952 to 1956 during the Korean Conflict. He would be later recalled from 1961-1962 during the Cuban Missile Crisis

Following his honorable discharge from the service, Arthur joined the police department in Ayer and would work his way up through the ranks, becoming the Town's first Lieutenant and later retiring as Chief of Police in 1996.

He was a member of Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Association, American Legion Post 139, and the V.F.W. Post 15022; in his younger years he played in men's softball and basketball leagues. He was a lifelong New England sports fan, enjoyed Holy Cross football and the Naval Academy Midshipman.

Arthur was a drum major and played trumpet in the St. Mary's Band. He

enjoyed drum & bugle competitions, and loved to dance with his wife.

Arthur's wife, Maria E. (Arnone) Boisseau passed away in 1981. He leaves his three sons, Lawrence J. Boisseau and his wife Holly of Ayer, Arthur J. Boisseau, Jr., of Ayer and Nicholas Boisseau of Medford; three daughters, Michelle A. Calhoun and her husband George of Ayer, Lorna M. Boisseau of San Diego, CA and Paula L. Boisseau & Laurence Casey of Shirley; his step-children, Gene Seager and his wife Debbie Walsh of Shirley, Kim Dehart and her husband Kevin of Townsend and Brian Goff of Chelmsford; a brother, Paul L. Boisseau of Shirley; two sister, Barbara Boisseau of W. Groton and Dorothy Boisseau of Providence, RI; four grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and several nephews and nieces.

In addition to his wife he is predeceased by his daughter, Julie M. Larson who died in 2019 and his longtime Companion, Marcia Gilson who died in 2015.

His funeral service will be held on Saturday, December 10, at 11AM in the Anderson Funeral Home, 25 Fitchburg Rd., Ayer. A calling hour will be held in the funeral home prior to the service from 9:30 to 11AM. Burial with military honors will be in St. Mary's Cemetery in Ayer.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Nashoba Hospice, 3 Patterson Rd Suite 3, Shirley, MA 01464 or to the Naval Memorial, 701 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20004

For further information or to leave an online condolence please visit [www.andersonfuneral.com](http://www.andersonfuneral.com)

# Cemetery Details

## St. Mary's Cemtery

Bishop Rd.  
Ayer, MA

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

DEC 10. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Anderson Funeral Home - Ayer  
25 Fitchburg Road ~ Route 2A  
Ayer, MA 01432  
(978) 772-2355

## Funeral Service

DEC 10. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

BG

“ To Arthur’s family , so very sad to hear of his passing, Arthur was a true son of Ayer. He rose up through the ranks of the Department to become Chief, and serve honorably and with distinction. You were always a gentleman, whether in the Ayer District Court or on the basketball court. You and your values will be sorely missed. RIP.  
Bobby Gardner

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**Bobby Gardner** - December 10, 2022 at 12:45 PM

MY

*I knew Arthur for years, I worked across the street at the Post Office. I considered him a good friend, always liked talking to him whenever I’d run into him. He will be dearly missed. RIP Mike Young*

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**Michael Young** - December 10, 2022 at 01:52 PM

MS

“ Arthur,I always have had the utmost respect for you. You're a great man. Thank you for being great with my kids and giving advice when needed. You are free,fly. Xo

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**Mimi Stapel** - December 10, 2022 at 07:16 AM

CC

“ Dear Michelle and family,  
My deepest condolences for your loss.  
May you find peace in the memories you shared. Holding you in my heart, Carla

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**carla Correa** - December 09, 2022 at 06:27 PM

CH

“ Thoughts and prayers to the family Florence price and. Connie hoot



connie hoot - December 09, 2022 at 06:01 PM

RM

“ R3 Education, Saba, and MUA purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Arthur J. Boisseau.



R3 Education, Saba, and MUA - December 09, 2022 at 09:00 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Arthur J. Boisseau.



December 08, 2022 at 06:07 PM

LW

“ Leslie Whitehead lit a candle in memory of Arthur J. Boisseau



Leslie Whitehead - December 08, 2022 at 05:24 PM

DE

“ So sorry for your loss. He was a wonderful man and gave us advice over the years. You will be missed Love Gene and Debbie

Deborah - December 08, 2022 at 02:21 PM

NS

“ Nancy Sherwin lit a candle in memory of Arthur J. Boisseau



Nancy Sherwin - December 08, 2022 at 09:05 AM

KA

“ I am so sorry to hear the passing of Arthur, I worked with him for several years in Ayer, I was one of the best guys that I ever work with, God bless and RIP my brother... watch over us all.

Kevin Ahearn - December 08, 2022 at 06:45 AM

CL

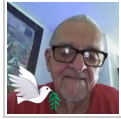
“ So sore to hear of the passing of Arthur. I had pleasure of working with Jim as a Lieutenant before leaving Ayer for Shirley. He was a great guy and a fair boss. Rest In Peace sir 🙏👮♀️🇺🇸

Craig K LaPrade - December 07, 2022 at 07:02 PM

MC

“ What a pleasure it was working for Arthur , an honest kind man , a cops cop who would rather sit down and talk to people rather than slapping the cuffs on when discretion was at play. Instrumental in the planning of a new police station always mindful that surroundings play a role in morale. RIP Arthur, my friend

Mark W Coulter - December 07, 2022 at 05:49 PM



*I was a business man on Main St at WEAubucho when Arthur was a Lt. He was always a gentleman. May you RIP Arthur.*

**Albert Wendling** - December 07, 2022 at 07:37 PM

WF

*“ Rest in Peace, Arthur. I will never forget the good times we had overseas while serving aboard the USS Miller.  
"Uncle Walt" Forest*

**Walter Forest** - December 07, 2022 at 05:38 PM



*“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Arthur J. Boisseau.*



December 07, 2022 at 05:09 PM

TC

*“ Tobe Conway lit a candle in memory of Arthur J. Boisseau*



**Tobe Conway** - December 07, 2022 at 04:48 PM

KK

*“ You were a true gentleman and professional. It was a pleasure knowing you personally and professionally. We will miss you Arthur.  
Keith Keady*

**Keith Keady** - December 07, 2022 at 01:56 PM

TC

*Chief, you always had a twinkle in your eyes, and took the time to listen to everyone. Thank you for your service to our Country and to the Town of Ayer. May you rest in the comfort of God's arms. My sympathy to the Boisseau family.*

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**Tobe Conway** - December 07, 2022 at 04:47 PM