



Denis Callahan Jr.

June 14, 1940 - May 27, 2024

AYER: Denis J. Callahan, Jr., 83, a longtime resident of Ayer, MA, passed away peacefully on Monday, May 27, 2024 at his home with his sons by his side.

Denis was born in Arlington, MA on June 14, 1940, one of nine children born to Denis and Margaret (Lynch) Callahan and resided over 40 years in Ayer.

Denis was a 1958 graduate of Boston College High School in Boston and later received his Bachelors Degree in Accounting from Boston College in 1962.

Following college he served his country in the United States Navy for four years.

For fifteen years Denis served as Treasurer for the town of Ayer before retiring circa 2010. Previously he had worked for twenty five years as an Accountant at JP Sullivan Company in Ayer.

Denis was a communicant of St. Mary's Church in Ayer. He enjoyed reading, traveling, vacationing at Long Beach in Rockport, MA, and most of all, spending time with his family and friends.

He leaves four sons, D. Christopher Callahan of Arlington, John P. Callahan

and his wife, Tessa, Luke R. Callahan and his wife, Shannon, Matthew J. Callahan and his wife Lauren, all of Wilmington, MA; three sisters, Noreen Cronin of Westborough, Kathleen Grannan of Andover, Christine Shanley of Reading; seven grandchildren, Rowan Callahan, Josephine Callahan, Finn Callahan, Nolan Callahan, Angelina Callahan, Bailey Callahan, Bryce Callahan as well as many nieces and nephews.

In October 2021 he was predeceased by his wife of 44 years, Laura J. (Jordan) Callahan. He was the brother of the late John Callahan of Arlington, Ann Tibbetts of New Gloucester, ME, Margaret Callahan of West Yarmouth, Mary Guarente of Wellesley, and Eileen Perini of Dover.

Denis' funeral Mass will be celebrated 10 AM Saturday, June 1, 2024 at St. Mary's Church, 31 Shirley Street, Ayer. Interment will follow in the parish cemetery.

Denis' family will receive relatives and friends at calling hours from 4-7 PM Friday, May 31, 2024 at the Anderson Funeral Home, 25 Fitchburg Road, (Rte 2A) Ayer. www.andersonfuneral.com.

Memorial contributions may be made to the David B. Perini Quality of Life Clinic, c/o Dana Farber Cancer Clinic, 450 Brookline Avenue, Boston, MA 02215-5450.

Cemetery Details

St. Mary's Cemetery

Bishop Rd.
Ayer, MA

Previous Events

Calling Hours

MAY 31. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Mass

JUN 1. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary's
31 Shirley St.
Ayer, MA 01432

Tribute Wall

SG

“ A post seem inadequate right now, but we wanted you all to know how much we care. We reflect on how impactful your dad was in each of your lives, and the pain of losing him must be immense. Your father was a wonderful man who raised a incredible children and lifted the spirits of those around him. Please know that we are here for you all, every step of the way. Whether you need a shoulder to lean on, someone to listen, or offer a distraction, don't hesitate to reach out. The Girards, Julie, Sean and Levi

Sean Girard - May 31, 2024 at 02:38 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Denis Callahan Jr..



May 30, 2024 at 01:19 PM

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“ Love Katy, MaryEllen & Nick, Will & Beth planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Denis Callahan Jr..

Love Katy, MaryEllen & Nick, Will & Beth - May 30, 2024 at 01:19 PM

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“ It is with a heavy heart of sadness I share with all of you at this time of the passing of Denis! I know he is at Peace and you will have wonderful memories of his life with each one of you 🤔 . May the Blessings, Love of Life help you all though this difficult time . ❤️🥹❤️ . Love from California, Katherine Grannan McCluskey❤️🙏❤️

Kathy Grannan McClusjey - May 30, 2024 at 12:09 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Denis Callahan Jr..



May 29, 2024 at 08:52 PM

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“ Katy, Will, Mary Ellen. Beth and Nick planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Denis Callahan Jr..

Katy, Will, Mary Ellen. Beth and Nick - May 29, 2024 at 08:52 PM

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“ Noreen, Kathy & Christine purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Denis Callahan Jr..



Noreen, Kathy & Christine - May 29, 2024 at 04:13 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Denis Callahan Jr..*



May 29, 2024 at 02:03 PM