



Edwin J. Bloom Jr.

November 12, 1931 - April 27, 2022

AYER: Edwin J. Bloom, Jr., 90, of Ayer, formerly of Concord, died Wednesday, April 27, 2022, at Lahey Clinic, Burlington, MA shortly after a tragic car accident.

He is now at peace and re-joined with his beloved wife of 51 years, Mary C. (Caciola) Bloom, who died January 1, 2008.

Mr. Bloom is survived by his son, Edward J. Bloom of Maynard; three daughters, Mary C. Bloom of Houston, TX, Theresa A. Bloom – Hontas of West Pawlet, VT, Donna M. Bloom – Schaff of Pepperell; four grandchildren, Sgt. Duncan Schaff, Tyler Schaff, Angela Hontas and Samantha Hontas.

Mr. Bloom was born in Yonkers, NY, November 12, 1931, the son of Edwin J. and Marion (Baude) Bloom with siblings Marion and Carole. He graduated from Charles E. Gorton HS as class Valedictorian in 1949.

During the Korean Conflict, Mr. Bloom served his country for four years in the US Army in heavy field artillery, attaining the rank of Sergeant. During that time, he was stationed in Germany and Fort Jackson, SC.

Following his honourable discharge from the armed forces, Mr. Bloom resumed his education at Cornell University in Ithaca, NY, where he received his B.S. degree in Industrial & Labor Relations in 1957.

Mr. Bloom's career in Human Resources is extensive. He was the Founder and President of Employee Relations Associates, Inc. in 1977 until his retirement in 1998. He held prior positions as VP & Director of Personnel for firms including Lechmere Sales in Cambridge, Zenith Radio in Chicago,

Philco-Ford in Philadelphia and GAF Corporation in Binghamton, NY. He served as an adjunct professor of Personnel Management at Lasell Jr. College in Newton and Bunker Hill Community College in Charlestown. Mr. Bloom is listed in "Who's Who in the East", "Who's Who in Finance & Industry", "Who's Who in America" and "Who's Who in the World". He was awarded the Certificate of Merit from the Massachusetts United Way and from the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health.

In January 2018 Mr. Bloom was recognized for his commitment as a volunteer and supporter to the Indian Hill Music Center. He was a regular communicant at St. Theresa the Little Flower Church in Harvard. He was a member of the Ayer American Legion and had served as their Chaplain. He was a member and past president of the Ayer Council on Aging and volunteered at the Minuteman ARC for Human Services. He served as a corporator at Middlesex Bank in Concord. As an advocate to the Mental Health Community, he served as a board member to the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health Concord Area, Massachusetts Department of Mental Retardation, Eliot Corporator and member of the Board of Directors and Executive Board to the Community Mental Health Center in Concord.

A Funeral Mass will be celebrated 10 AM Friday, May 6, 2022, at St. Theresa the Little Flower Church, 15 Still River Road, Harvard, MA with interment at Winchendon Veteran Memorial Cemetery.

Memorial Contributions may be made to Holy Trinity Parish Awards Program, c/o Holy Trinity Catholic Parish, P.O. Box 746, Harvard, MA 01451.

The Anderson Funeral Home, Ayer, MA is assisting the family with arrangements. For additional information, or to leave an online condolence, please visit their website at: www.andersonfuneral.com

Cemetery Details

Massachusetts Veterans Cemetery

111 Glenallen Street
Winchendon, MA

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

MAY 6. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Theresa the Little Flower Church
15 Still River Road
Harvard, MA 01451

Tribute Wall

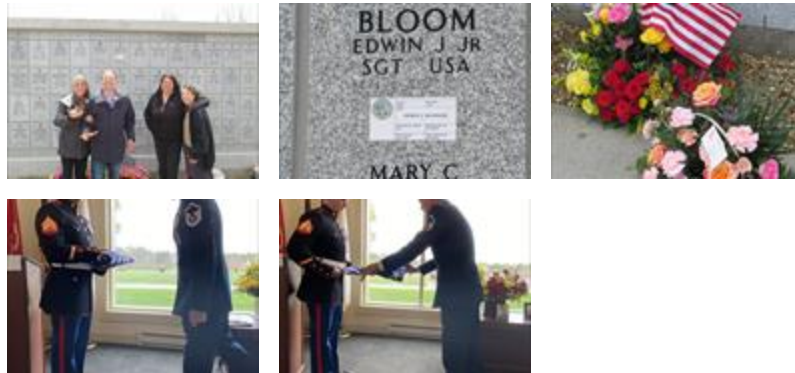


“ I was cleaning out a box of important papers and came across 2 notes from your dad today! He was my absolute favorite teacher at Lasell - he was a great teacher because he was a great man, and he forever changed the trajectory of my life for the investment he made in me and the potential he saw in me. I'm so sorry for your loss and so glad to see what a beautiful life he went on to have.
Lynn Rier Jobe

Lynn Jobe - January 03, 2025 at 06:22 PM



“ 12 files added to the album Veterans Cemetery Military Service



Mary - May 17, 2022 at 12:59 AM



“ Donna I am so sorry to hear about the passing of your father. Your Dad had a very successful career and you should be so proud. Equally he was a man of faith and family. So sorry for your loss.
Maureen & Bob McCarthy (former Baywood Dr neighbors)

Maureen McCarthy - May 08, 2022 at 09:29 AM

AC

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Angelo Caciola - May 06, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ Mary, Donna, Theresa, Edward & family, so sorry to hear of Uncle Ed's passing. Know he is so happy to be with your Mom & his sisters again.

Love, Jeff & Debbie Sweeney

Debbie Healey Sweeney - May 05, 2022 at 08:31 PM

LA

“ Love, Kathy, Amy, Missy, Debbie, Allison purchased the Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White for the family of Edwin J. Bloom Jr..



Love, Kathy, Amy, Missy, Debbie, Allison - May 05, 2022 at 10:56 AM



“ Yellow & White Large Sympathy Vase Arrangement was purchased for the family of Edwin J. Bloom Jr..



May 04, 2022 at 09:56 PM

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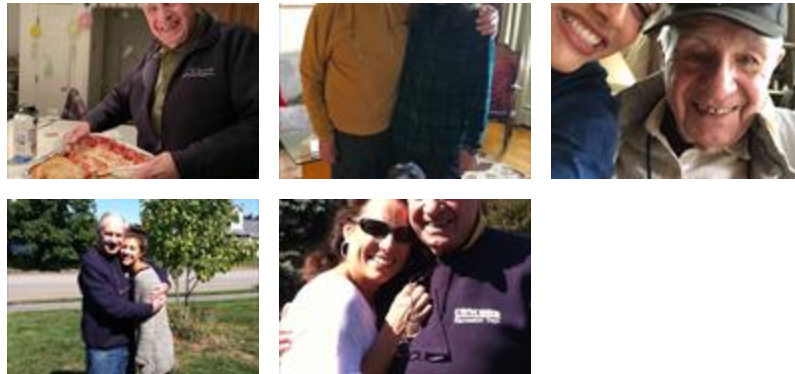
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Angela Hontas - May 04, 2022 at 07:13 PM

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“ 9 files added to the tribute wall



Angela Hontas - May 04, 2022 at 07:06 PM

DG

“ David Graves purchased the Pink & White Sympathy Basket for the family of Edwin J. Bloom Jr..



David Graves - May 04, 2022 at 02:50 PM

FD

“ Nice memories of Ed, Mary & the Bloom family at Our Lady Help of Christians Parish in Concord. I will be remembering Mary & Ed at Mass.

Fr Richard DeVeer - May 04, 2022 at 11:37 AM

MB

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Mary Bloom - May 04, 2022 at 07:20 AM

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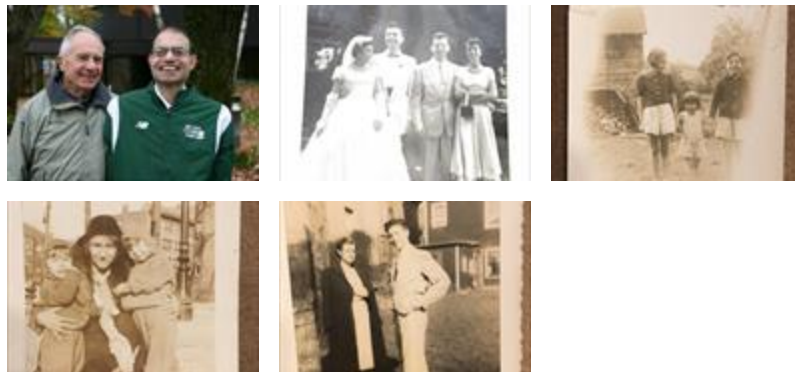
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Mary Bloom - May 04, 2022 at 07:02 AM

MB

“ 14 files added to the album Memories Album



Mary Bloom - May 04, 2022 at 06:54 AM

SA

Where's the love button for these photos ❤️

Sandy - May 05, 2022 at 07:48 PM

JZ

“ As a member of the "Bulletin Babes and Beau", (Ed being the Beau), I have many fond memories of this group, with Ed's help, meeting for years to put together the church bulletin for St. Theresa's. Ed was very organized, unfailingly courteous, and very patient with the foibles of working with a group of women. Under his guidance we all worked efficiently and also had fun!

Janet Zimmer

Janet Zimmer - May 02, 2022 at 10:36 AM

DS

Thank you Janet. He loved those weekly get together. Maybe that's why he hates computers so much, no more bulletin mailings

Donna Bloom Schaff - May 03, 2022 at 09:15 PM

TL

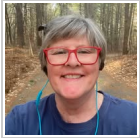
“ Ed was a favorite of many at church. He had a smile for all and didn't he have a wonderful voice from the altar! Although he's celebrating with Mary we are sick at losing him from our midst. Ed was particularly special to us as a family so we enjoyed baking for him and bringing them to the house. I can't believe that won't happen again. Lindsey, Tom and I will always remember Ed as a very dear and special friend.

Tonge Carol Lee - May 01, 2022 at 11:43 AM

DS

Thank you Carol Lee

Donna Bloom Schaff - May 03, 2022 at 09:12 PM



“ To all the Bloom family -- especially Mary, Teri, Eddie & Donna. My heart aches upon learning of your father's passing. At least now, he can be reunited with Mary -- she's been waiting for him for a long time! I'll hold you in my thoughts and prayers until I can give you a big hug in person.

Sarah Lawrence - April 30, 2022 at 01:33 PM

SA

“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



Sandy - April 30, 2022 at 12:34 PM

MM

“ *My heart sank when I heard of his passing. My condolences go out to his family. I will keep you in my prayers. The Knights were happy that we had a chance to help him celebrate his 90th birthday.*

*Mark Morin
Knights of Columbus*

Mark Morin - April 30, 2022 at 09:55 AM

SA

“ *Keeping you all close in heartfelt prayer. "Keep Your Eyes On Me"
Love and hugs, Sandy*

Sandy - April 29, 2022 at 08:14 AM

SA

“ *Sandy lit a candle in memory of Edwin J.
Bloom Jr.*



Sandy - April 29, 2022 at 08:11 AM