



Emil "Phil" Docekal Jr.

October 1, 1933 - July 26, 2022

AYER: Emil "Phil" Docekal, Jr., 88, of Ayer, formerly of Ashby, died Tuesday July 26, 2022 at Apple Valley Center, Ayer.

Mr. Docekal was born in Fitchburg, October 1, 1933, a son of Emil P. and Ida M. (Beckwith) Docekal and was a 1951 graduate of Ashby High School. He had resided in Ayer for over 30 years with Bernie, his wife of 44 years.

From 1953-1958, Mr. Docekal proudly served his country in the United States Army National Guard.

Phil grew up in Ashby, MA. He loved growing up in the country and appreciated living near the forests, ponds and wildlife. He loved having Damon Pond, just down the "hill," from the Docekal family home. He enjoyed camping, fishing and boating in his younger years. In years past, he and Bernie enjoyed driving the back roads of New England, exploring its natural beauty. Phil spent his life in the lumber business, learning the trade right out of H.S., at Clark Lumber\Saw Mill in Townsend. The majority of his career was in the sale of construction materials for the Grossman Lumber Yards in Fitchburg, Gardner and Worcester. Later in his career he held a similar position at the G.V. Moore Lumber Company in Ayer.

Lumber was not only his trade, but his passion; from designing and building his family's first home, in Ashby, to personalizing his & Bernie's final home and

property, in Ayer. There really wasn't anything he couldn't do, a true Mr. Fixit, the ultimate "handy man." Wood working & carpentry skills inspired by his dad and passed on to his own "master carpenter" sons, Steve, Keven & Kris, all of whom, he was extremely proud.

Phil will be truly missed by family, friends and all who knew and loved him. He lived by the Golden Rule, "Do unto Others..." He was a proud & patriotic American with an appreciation and love for the beauty of nature and all God's creatures. We will miss his strength of character, honesty, his wonderful dry humor, the twinkle in his blue eyes, and his solid New England accent. He was one of a kind and proudly an "Old School" New Englander.

Mr. Docekal is survived by his wife, Bernadette M. (Caron) Docekal; three sons, Steven P. Docekal (Linda) of Glenburn, Maine; Keven L. Docekal (Bridget Monty) of Sandwich and Rhode Island, and James Caron; a brother, David Docekal (Pat Germaine) of Fitchburg; two sisters, Denise Gowell (Ron) of Greensboro, NC, Judy Kramer (Mike) of Tonawanda, NY; three grandchildren, Julie M. Archie, Shawn M. Docekal, Nicole L. Docekal; 7 great-grandchildren and 3 great great-grandchildren.

He was predeceased by two sons, Kris A. Docekal of Sandwich, Michael Docekal of Ashby, his sister, Alice Neforas of Fitchburg and his grandson, Steven P. Docekal Jr.

Funeral services will be held 10 AM Monday, August 1, 2022 at the Anderson Funeral Home, 25 Fitchburg Road, (Rte. 2A) Ayer. Interment will follow at Forest Hill Cemetery, Fitchburg.

Mr. Docekal's family will receive relatives and friends at calling hours 2-4 PM Sunday, July 31, 2022 at the funeral home. For additional information or to leave an online condolence please visit their website at www.andersonfuneral.com.

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Cemetery Details

Forest Hill Cemetery

Mt. Elam Rd.
Fitchburg, MA 01420

Previous Events

Calling Hour

JUL 31. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Service

AUG 1. 10:00 AM (ET)

Anderson Funeral Home
25 Fitchburg Road
Ayer, MA 01432
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Burial

AUG 1 (ET)

Forest Hill Cemetery
Mt. Elam Rd.
Fitchburg, MA 01420

Tribute Wall



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“ *Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket* was purchased for the family of Emil "Phil" Docekal Jr..



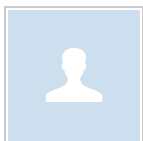
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“ *Blue & White Sympathy Standing Spray* was purchased for the family of Emil "Phil" Docekal Jr..



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“ *Condolences for all the Docekal Family! RIP
Phil! Will miss seeing you!*



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