
Lawrence F. "Larry" Miskell



Deacon Lawrence "Larry" F. Miskell, 85, of Spring Street, Southbridge, was called home to the Lord on August 9, 2011, surrounded by his loving family, and after being wonderfully cared for at the Overlook Masonic Health Center in Charlton.

He leaves his wife of 63 years, Kathleen "Casey" (Stronach) Miskell; his sons: Timothy Miskell and his wife, Dini, of Hartland, CT, Daniel Miskell and fiancé Eola, of Seabrook, NH, Thomas Miskell of Merrimack, NH, Robert Miskell and his wife, Debbie, of Hudson, NH, John Pyle and his wife, Deb, of Woodstock, CT, Francis Miskell, USAF-Edwards AFB, CA, Brian Miskell and his wife, Sandra, of Woodstock, CT; three daughters: Jean Sougnez and her husband, Jeffrey, of Chelmsford, MA, Theresa Sires and her husband, Earl, of Conway, NH, and Janet (JP) Grene and her husband, Nick, in County Limerick, Ireland. He also leaves a sister, Virginia, of Barnstable, MA. He was predeceased by a daughter, Kathleen; a son, Lawrence, and a brother, Thomas. He also leaves many loving

grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and friends.

He was born in Brookline, MA, and raised in South Boston, the son of Thomas and Helen (Fraser) Miskell. He served in the [U.S. Navy](#) during [WWII](#) on the USS Altamaha. He earned his Bachelor's degree in Engineering from Northeastern University. He graduated from Northeastern on Father's Day 1962, and shared the event with his wife Casey and their eight children (with several more children to follow)! Larry worked for many years in Quality and Engineering and held positions with Sanders, General Electric, AO, Hilsinger Corporation, and Russell Harrington.

He was deeply committed to the Catholic Faith and became a member of the Third Order of St. Francis in 1963. Deacon Larry was ordained a Catholic Deacon in 1981 and recently celebrated 30 years of service at St. Joseph's Church in Charlton, MA. Deacon Larry was very involved with the St. Joseph's Food Pantry, and helped many with their marriage preparations, performed many marriages, baptisms, and was present at many burials. He served generously the people of St. Joseph's Church. Deacon Larry's preaching inspired many to a deeper faith. He was instrumental in establishing a Third Order of St. Francis Chapter at St. Joseph's Church.

Larry and Casey enjoyed travelling for adventure and to visit family and friends. They visited Italy, Spain, Ireland, Scotland, Hawaii, France, England, and travelled extensively throughout the USA. They especially enjoyed their WWII USS Altamaha Shipmates Reunion Trips.

Deacon Larry was a wonderful mentor and fabulous storyteller, and his stories were enjoyed by all.

His funeral Mass will be held on Thursday, August 11, 2011 at 10:30 AM in St. Joseph's Church, 10H Putnam Rd. Ext., Charlton. Burial will follow at 1:30 PM at Pine Ridge Cemetery, 130 Billerica Rd., Chelmsford. Calling hours will be held at the church on Wednesday, August 10th from 4:00 to 8:00PM, and on Thursday, August 11th, from 9:00 to 10:00 AM, prior to the Mass.

For those who wish, contributions in Deacon Larry's memory may be made to St. Joseph's Church Food Pantry, 10 H Putnam Road Ext, Charlton, MA 01507.

"Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love."

Arrangements are under the care of the Daniel Morrill Funeral Home in Southbridge. [www.morrillfuneralhome.com](#)

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