



Bernard C. Nagengast

September 29, 1925 - December 4, 2009

East Berne -- Bernard C. Nagengast, born into Eternal Life Friday, December 4, 2009. Born in Albany on September 29, 1925, Bernie was the son of the late Emil J. and Sophia Dyda- Nagengast. He attended Our Lady of Angels grade school and graduated from Christian Brothers Academy.

Bernie met the love of his life, Matilda "Tilli" Nicklas, while ice skating at Washington Park. They were married at Blessed Sacrament Church in 1947 and remained devoted to one another for 62 years and had eleven children.

His father Emil J. Nagengast, Sr. established the family florist in 1910. This became his lifelong career until he retired in 1986. The florist is still family operated and will be celebrating its 100th anniversary next year.

Bernie was an involved member of St. Bernadette's Catholic Church, where he was often called upon to decorate for the holidays and taught others the art of creating the Advent Wreath.

Bernie was an honorary life member of the Knights of Columbus. He was also a member of the Warner Lake Improvement Association, Moose International, the Packard Club, the Willy's Overland Knights, and the Automobilists of the Upper Hudson Valley. He also was a Retired Member of the FTD Association.

He loved woodworking and feeding his backyard birds who will surely miss his special treats. He enjoyed restoring his 1922 Overland.

Survived by beloved wife of 62 years, Matilda Nicklas Nagengast and his children Bernard A. (Carol), Richard J., Joanne M. (Jody), Mary Jean (MJ), the late Michael R., Mark S., Kathryn M. Willsie (Ross), Anne Marie Nagengast- Place (Tim), Thomas G. (Mary Ellen), Rosemary R. Hoffman (Jim) and Brian C. Nagengast; father in law of Peggy Vogel-Nagengast.

Also survived by grandchildren Tatyana, Anne and Therese Nagengast, Tyler Vogel, Katie and Jenny Vogel-Nagengast, Carly and Ethan Willsie, and Nicklas and Marianna Nagengast and nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his brothers and sisters, Josephine, George, Margaret McGarithy, Emil J. Jr. his twin brother Joe, Raymond, and Dorothy Tobin.

Funeral services Friday, December 11, 2009 at 11:00 am at St. Bernadette's Church, Berne, NY where a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated.

Relatives and friends are invited and may call Thursday, December 10, 2009, 3:00 to 7:00 pm in the McVeigh Funeral Home. Interment will follow the Mass at Our Lady of Angels Cemetery.

To leave the family a special message on their guestbook; view his Life Tribute; obtain directions or a Prayer Card; or share a photo with them, please visit www.McveighFuneralHome.com

Previous Events

Service

DEC 11. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Bernadette's Church
1763 Helderburg Trail
Berne, NY

Tribute Wall



“ *McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Bernard C. Nagengast*



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - December 04, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Bernard C. Nagengast*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *Please accept my sincerest sympathy in your time of grief. Bernie will be missed by many people.*

Sincerely,

*Guy williamson and Family##imported-begin##Guy
Williamson##imported-end##*

December 11, 2009 at 08:22 PM



“ Mrs. Nagengast;

I'd like to extend my deepest sympathies to you, & your entire family. I attempted to attend the wake, so I could tell you how sorry I was for your loss in person, but I just couldn't stand that long. However, the length of the line was testament to the friendship & respect for Mr Nagengast. Again, I'm sorry for your loss, & God Bless you & your family.##imported-begin##Mark Gerling##imported-end##

December 11, 2009 at 11:40 AM



“ Everything was beautiful. My condolences on your loss.##imported-begin##Laurie Kalle##imported-end##

December 11, 2009 at 08:53 AM



“ So sorry to hear of your loss - to the whole family I extend my heartflet condolences. Bless you.##imported-begin##Bill Gaul##imported-end##

December 10, 2009 at 06:27 PM



“ Mrs. Nagengast,

My deepest sympathy goes out to you and your loved ones. I have worked with your daughter, Jody, for several years and have always admired your involvement in her life. Yuo both are angels and Bernard will be missed by many.

Diella##imported-begin##Diella Giaconia##imported-end##

December 10, 2009 at 02:49 PM



“ Rosemary,
May God bless you and your family in this time of
sorrow.##imported-begin##Teresa Ackroyd##imported-end##

December 10, 2009 at 12:10 PM



“ Mrs. Nagengast & Family,

Mr. Nagengast has put many smiles on many faces over the years.
He will be greatly missed but always remembered.
Our hearts go out to you and your family in this time of sorrow.

Gregg Warchol & Family##imported-begin##Gregg
Warchol##imported-end##

December 10, 2009 at 10:58 AM



“ It's hard to believe that it was almost 30 years ago now that this
man entered my life with a swirl of pipe smoke encircling his head
like a halo. He welcomed me to "Nag's Cove" on Warner's Lake.
In a wisp of the same, he is gone but never to be forgotten.
Heartfelt condolences to his family and all affected by the loss of
Bernie.##imported-begin##Laurie##imported-end##

December 10, 2009 at 09:52 AM



“ To Mary Jean and Family,
My condolence to you and family for your lost. You are in my
prayers.##imported-begin##Betty L. Harper##imported-end##

December 10, 2009 at 09:45 AM



“ Thank you Mr. Nag, for welcoming me as one of your own. Throughout the years on Yates St., the florist shop, at the camp or up on the hill, you have been like another father, a mentor and a friend. Thank you for letting me spend hours, days, weeks, months and so many years with Michael. Rest assured that I think of him every day. He is a part of me and he lives on within me. Thank you & Mrs. Nag for your beautiful, gifted and loving family. I truly love them all. You, Bernie, will not be forgotten.
To all the Nagengast's our deepest sympathies from all the Allen's###imported-begin###Michael (Tex) Allen###imported-end##

December 10, 2009 at 09:18 AM



“ Mrs. Nagengast and family,
Just wanted to express my deepest sympathies to all of you at this time at the sudden loss of your husband and father. We will miss his friendly face at the office. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.
Sincerely,
Gina Bohl###imported-begin###Gina Bohl###imported-end##

December 09, 2009 at 06:29 PM



“ I don't know all of your family, but I have recently met and camped with your son Mark and with Kathy. They are wonderful people. I am sure your other 10 children are just as kind as Mark . You two have done a wonderful job in your life time . Bob has spoken well of all of you and has been telling me some wonderful stories of growing up with all of your family. From living in the bigger house to downsizing to the smaller home.
You are in our thoughts and our prayers
Bob Kipper Sr and Tina Mancuso###imported-begin###Bob Kipper Sr and Tina Mancuso###imported-end##

December 09, 2009 at 11:30 AM



“ With fond memories of Bernie, I forward my condolences to the family, especially to Tilli and to Bernie Jr who became my friend during our days of mutual interest in numismatics.

God's special grace to the family during this difficult time.

Jerry Carlson###imported-begin##Jerry Carlson###imported-end##

December 09, 2009 at 10:42 AM



“ Mrs. Nagengast,
We were all very very sad to learn of Bernie's passing. What a wonderful and kind man. You are very fortunate to have shared so many wonderful happy years with such a fine man. He will be missed by us all. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Barb

Vascular Dept @

Alabmny Med###imported-begin##Barb Matthews###imported-end##

December 08, 2009 at 09:35 PM



“ Kathy,

So sorry to hear about your Dad's passing. May God give comfort to you and your family.###imported-begin##Chris

Hennessey###imported-end##

December 08, 2009 at 08:28 PM



“ Rich,
I am sorry to hear of your fathers passing. If you need anything do not hesitate to call me

*Dave Mankad
College of St Rose##imported-begin##David Mankad##imported-end##*

December 08, 2009 at 07:37 PM



“ Mary Jean & Ann,
My Family and I want you to know you are in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Joanne N. Eriole##imported-end##

December 08, 2009 at 06:28 PM



“ Tom and Mark:

Sorry to hear of your fathers passing. You and your families are in our thoughts and prayers.

Godspeed,

Brad Grant##imported-begin##Brad Grant##imported-end##

December 08, 2009 at 06:03 PM



“ To my dear friend Roben,

When Jim called me on Saturday to tell me of your fathers passing (Poopsie as he was so lovingly referred to by his family) I was stricken with grief for you. I know how much you loved him. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

If you need me for anything, even if it is just to talk - you know I am a good listener :-) - please just call.

Love ya, Beverly###imported-begin###Beverly Pottala###imported-end##

December 08, 2009 at 04:09 PM



“ Dear Tillie,

I was so sorry to hear of Bernie's passing. I will always remember the fun Roben and I had when we visited you and Bernie in Florida. He was such a fun man to be around - always playing a practical joke - keeping everyone smiling.

May God be with you and your wonderful family in your time of need.

Love to you and your family, Beverly###imported-begin###Beverly Pottala###imported-end##

December 08, 2009 at 03:58 PM



“ Rich,

My prayers and thoughts are with you, your father and your family. If you need anything please do not hesitate to call on me.

Ellen Kelly

St. Catherine's###imported-begin##Ellen Kelly##imported-end##

December 08, 2009 at 12:13 PM



“ *With sympathy to the entire Nagengast family on the passing of Bernie.*

My father, Charles, was a fellow florist and dear friend of all the Nagengast family.###imported-begin##Christina Yunck##imported-end##

December 08, 2009 at 09:20 AM



“ *MaryEllen and the Nagengast family,*

My deepest sympathies to you and your family. My thoughts and prayers are with you all at this difficult time..###imported-begin##Chris Houck##imported-end##

December 08, 2009 at 08:36 AM



“ *Dear Tilli & Family:*

Our dearest sympathies go out to you and your family with the passing of Bernie. Our memories of Bernie and all the Nagengast Family at O'Hanlon's and Warner Lake are some of the most cherished in our lifetime. What great summers we had! Bernie was a really great guy and will truly be missed by all that knew him. I know that this is a sad time for the entire family, but try to remember the good memories of a wonderful man. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Paul & Carla Conklin

Albany, NY##imported-begin##Paul & Carla Conklin##imported-end##

December 08, 2009 at 08:20 AM



“ *The Road Just Bends*

*When Life seems gone
Love lives on.
The spirit born within,
From life's origin
Carries you beyond*

*Through pain and tears,
Loss and fears
His freed soul will race
To that perfect place
And Love's spirit nears*

*You and stays
For always
Just to remind
Those souls left behind
Of happier days*

*Tomorrow, you see
Will somehow be
Less than all
You can recall
Of days when he*

*Was your life's blood
And he would
Still your cries
With lullabies
And gentle fatherhood.*

*Once old, now new
Though out of view
He'll always be
You just can't see*

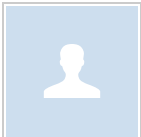
But he'll be watching you

*You may feel strange
But He'll arrange
For your relief
Through pain and grief
And help you through this change*

*The magic of
A life of Love
Will fill your eyes
With butterflies
Watching from above*

*There to remind
And help you find
That life never ends
The road just bends
With no heart left behind###imported-begin##Jim Kaufman - Jez -
scotty###imported-end##*

December 07, 2009 at 11:02 PM



“ *Bernie always had a smile and a special sparkle in his eyes. We always enjoyed talking and kidding with him. We certainly will miss him. We're very sorry for your loss.*

Dori and Bart###imported-begin##Dori & Bart Mullen###imported-end##

December 07, 2009 at 07:41 PM



“ To all my "Nag" friends ~ WOW what a shock to hear. Loved the Man, the Legend! Mr. Nag will live for many many years in the memories of all of us blessed to have known him. My girls (Tara and Tricia) and I send our prayers for all of you especially your Mom, can't imagine her pain! (guess now I really have to be nice to Roben :-)
Tom, Mary Ellen, Mark and Brian sending our love!
Laurie, Tara and Tricia##imported-begin##Laurie Signer-Foster##imported-end##

December 07, 2009 at 03:04 PM



“ To all of the Nagengasts,

Nadine and I were so saddened to learn of Bernie's passing. He was a wonderful man with a great sense of humor. He kept many of us smiling and laughing for years. Know that he is looking down upon all of us and smiling.

We will keep all of you in our prayers during this time.##imported-begin##Joe (Jug) & Nadine Cunningham##imported-end##

December 07, 2009 at 02:39 PM



“ My entire family sends you our prayers and sympathy.##imported-begin##Mark McKeown##imported-end##

December 07, 2009 at 01:52 PM



“ My condolences go out to the Nagengast family. You are all in my prayers and I will truly miss Mr. Nagengast as well as all the staff at Maynes and the residents. I am so glad that Jody got to spend Thanksgiving with her dad. God Bless you all and may God comfort you at this time.##imported-begin##Lue Ellis##imported-end##

December 07, 2009 at 01:23 PM



“ To Rich and Family,
I am so sorry to hear of the sudden passing of your father. Please cherish your memories forever. They will always be there in your heart.
Carol Milano-Smith##imported-begin##Carol Milano-Smith##imported-end##

December 07, 2009 at 09:12 AM



“ As long as I can remember Bernie has been at the Warner Lake Improvement Association meetings, joking and selling raffle tickets. We love the various items Bernie made and donated to the Associations dinners. Over the years many on Strevell lane have won his creations and they can be seen at our various houses. We will surely miss his broad smile and twinkling eyes. What a wonderful man.
Alan joins me is sending our sympathy to your whole family.

With sadness,
Sue Rockmore##imported-begin## Susan Rockmore##imported-end##

December 07, 2009 at 12:30 AM



“ I am deeply saddened by Bernie's passing. He was a wonderful person who enjoyed life and really made a positive impact on so many people. He will be missed.

Love Bruce###imported-begin##Bruce Genhofer###imported-end##

December 06, 2009 at 08:12 PM



“ I felt so badly to hear about Mr. Nagengast's death. Be assured of my support in prayer during this difficult time of loss.###imported-begin##Sr. Eleanor Guerin###imported-end##

December 06, 2009 at 08:03 PM



“ Roben, Tommy & Family,

I'm so sorry to hear about your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers.###imported-begin##Jamie (Rubino) Sacala###imported-end##

December 06, 2009 at 01:39 PM



“ I'm so sorry to hear about Mr.Nagengast's passing. He was a great man.He will be deeply missed by alot of people. He will always be in our hearts and memories. To all the Nagengast Family I'm sorry.###imported-begin##Holly Pitcher###imported-end##

December 06, 2009 at 11:14 AM



“ *Tillie & Family*

I am socked & disbelief the passing of Bernie. My heart goes out to all of you. Bernie was a great man - He worked hard & played hard - Will remember all good times at O'hanlon, Rest Seeker Inn & Sholtz - Those were the good ole days. Mary T, Mardi, Matt, Hoggie, Shirley & many many more friends to many to name. A few memoriers that come to my mind is his birthday party with the sing-o-gram & New Year Day party at Scholtz when we all had dress in our pj & robs - got great pictures of these parties plus many more.

Will keep you in my houghts and prayers at this very difficult time. - Love you

Marilyn##imported-begin##Marilyn Figel Nardolillo##imported-end##

December 06, 2009 at 08:04 AM