



## Deacon William B. Fitzgerald

June 14, 1926 - December 6, 2010

Albany-Deacon William B. Fitzgerald was born into Eternal Life Monday, December 6, 2010. Born in Troy, he was the son of the late William J. and Marion Frawley Fitzgerald.

He was the beloved husband for 55 years of Jean Welch Fitzgerald; dear father of Joseph Fitzgerald (Diane) and Marion "Mimi" Baseel (Jeffrey); brother of the late Alice Keegan; cherished grandfather of the late Christopher Fitzgerald; several nieces and nephews survive.

Deacon Fitzgerald was a graduate of Niagara University. He served in the US Army during the occupation in Germany (1951-1953) and traveled to Rome and Ireland. He was a State worker for 25 years and a Permanent Deacon in the Diocese of Albany for 28 blessed years. His assignments were at the Church of the Blessed Sacrament, Albany and University Heights Nursing Home. Deacon Bill's ministries included the Divorced and Separated Group, Widows and Widowers Group, and the Prayer Group. He felt truly blessed to be part of the Blessed Sacrament Family.

The family would like to thank Albany Medical Center Hospital staff and Our Lady of Mercy Life Center for the excellent care and compassion given to Bill. They also would like to express our thanks to Dr. Atalay, Dr. O'Brien and Dr. Pagnotta for their care of him for many years.

Funeral services Friday, December 10, 2010 at 11:00 am at Blessed Sacrament Church, Albany where a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated by Most Rev. Howard J. Hubbard, D.D. Bishop of Albany.

Relatives and friends are invited and may call Thursday, December 9, 2010 4:00 to 7:00 pm at Blessed Sacrament Church, Albany. Interment St. Agnes Cemetery, Menands.

The Rite of Reception of the Body will be offered at 4:00 pm Thursday at the entrance to Blessed Sacrament Church and just before the calling hours begin. All are invited and welcomed to attend.

Those wishing to remember Deacon William B. Fitzgerald in a special way may send a contribution to Blessed Sacrament Church, 607 Central Ave. Albany, NY 12206 or Wildwood Foundation, 2555C Curry Rd Ext., Schenectady, NY.

To leave the family a special message for the family on their guest book; obtain a prayer card or directions; or share a photo or E-card with them, please visit [www.McveighFuneralHome.com](http://www.McveighFuneralHome.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 9. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Blessed Sacrament Church  
607 Central Ave (Father John Bradley Way)  
Albany, NY 12206  
(518) 489-0188  
[info@mcveighfuneralhome.com](mailto:info@mcveighfuneralhome.com)

## Service

DEC 10. 11:00 AM (ET)

Blessed Sacrament Church  
607 Central Ave (Father John Bradley Way)  
Albany, NY 12206  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Deacon William B. Fitzgerald*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *Just a note to Bill Fitzgerald's family -- I grew up in Blessed Sacrament parish and return at least once a year at Christmas. Bill was always wonderful to my wife, Cindy and me when we returned to Blessed Sacrament church. He always had a kind word and showed an inspirational level of enthusiasm. We will always be grateful that we knew him over the years and grateful that some of his enthusiasm and kindness is still carried with us.*

*John Kirby and Cindy Canfield###imported-begin##John Kirby and Cindy Canfield (Portland, OR)###imported-end##*

December 10, 2010 at 12:29 AM



“ *Jean and family,*

*In your pain and sadness at this time, know that we are with you in prayer and hold you in our loving care.*

*May God continue to bless you as you grieve Bill's loss.###imported-begin##Deacon Ed and Karen Solomon###imported-end##*

December 09, 2010 at 07:15 AM



“ *DEAR JEAN, MIMI, & JOE;*

*OUR WORLD WAS A BETTER PLACE BECAUSE BILL WAS IN IT!  
HE HAS TOUCHED SO MANY LIVES...*

*OUR PRAYERS & SYMPATHIES ARE WITH YOU NOW &  
ALWAYS!*

*LOVE,  
MARY ANN, RON, DANIEL PATRICK & ERIN & CAITLIN  
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December 08, 2010 at 09:39 AM