



George "Mike" H. Holes, Jr

September 5, 1923 - October 21, 2009

Albany-George "Mike" Henry Holes, Jr., 86, passed away at St. Peter's Hospital on Wednesday, October 21.

Born in Albany, he was the son of George Henry Holes, Sr. and Mary Frances Gates Holes. He was a graduate of Christian Brothers Academy in 1941 and Siena College in 1949. He served with the Army's 455th Ordnance Evacuation Company in France and England during World War II.

He worked for over thirty years as a claims adjuster for The Royal Globe Insurance Company. He enjoyed traveling throughout the Capital District, the Adirondacks and Catskills to settle claims.

Mike was a communicant of the former St. Teresa of Avila Parish for 60 years, where he most recently served as an usher. He was a member of the Holy Names Society, the Nocturnal Adoration Society, the Fort Orange Press Bowling League and the Shaughnessy Golf League. He had a wealth of knowledge and told great stories about the Albany of old.

Mike was the devoted husband of his bride, the late Helen Rinaldi Holes, and father of the late George M. Holes; beloved father of Barbara Coyle (Matthew), and his grandchildren, Christiana (Joe Yan) and Patrick; brother of the late Catherine Mary McTague; uncle of Kathleen Odabashian (Dr. Harry),

Patricia Weissman (Kurt), Bill McTague (Linda), Joan Warner (Richard), Michael McTague (Anne-Jo), James McTague (Margaret), Mary McTague and Rosemary Durant (John), and several wonderful nephews and nieces.

Funeral services Monday, October 26, 2009 at 9:15 am from the McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany thence to Parish of Mater Christi (formerly St. Catherine of Siena Church), Albany at 10:00 am where a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated. Relatives and friends are invited and may call Sunday, October 25, 2009 3:00 to 7:00 pm in the funeral home. Interment will follow the Mass at St. Agnes Cemetery, Menands.

Those wishing to remember Mike in a special way may send a contribution to the charity of your choice.

To leave the family a special message; obtain directions or a Prayer Card; or share a photo with the family, please go to www.mcveighfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Service

OCT **26**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Parish of Mater Christi
40 Hopewell Street (Rev. Kenneth J. Doyle Way)
Albany, NY 12208

Tribute Wall



“ McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of George "Mike" H. Holes, Jr



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - October 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ George "Mike" H. Holes, Jr

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ Barbara and family,
I haven't seen or spoke to you in many years but I have never forgotten your wonderful family. My prayers go out to you at this time. I have fond memories of your family that will always be with me. Love and prayers,
Gina##imported-begin##Gina Bolognino Bohl##imported-end##

October 25, 2009 at 08:17 PM



“ The greatest treasure we found moving onto Fleetwood Ave. was meeting Mike Holes in the house across the street. He was our neighbor and friend and he will be dearly missed.##imported-begin##Scott Jackson, Liz Kiniry and Maeve##imported-end##

October 25, 2009 at 01:24 PM



“ Dear Uncle Mike,

You led a beautiful, simple life embracing ALWAYS your faith, your family and your friends. EVERY picture in your life's video gives glory to God...it reflects your commitment to your lovely wife, our Aunt Helen, your children, Barbara and Georgie and grandchildren , Christy and Patrick and wonderful son-in law, Matt, and all of us blessed to have been called "relation" and "friend."

My parents ..{your sister being "Kate") chose you to be my Godfather, and I in turn chose you to be our firstborn, our daughter, Kirsten's Godfather...wasn't God smiling on all of us when we made that decision!! Your strength of faith and commitment to God's word has always been a source of pride and comfort to me ..it has encouraged me to trust ALWAYS in God's plan for us...you always "stayed the course," Uncle Mike, and I will never forget that part of who you were.

We have beautiful memories of Thanksgivings together, 4th of July celebrations at my lake house, and every graduation/special occasion event.

You were our Uncle Mike....smiling , kind, loving, genuine, and giving...you will be forever in our hearts. We know you are in God's home with all those you loved and who have gone before you...until we meet again...Godspeed, Uncle Mike, Godspeed!

You will be forever in my thoughts and prayers every day!

*As always with love and forever your godchild,
Kathy###imported-begin##Kathy McTague Odabashian###imported-end##*

October 23, 2009 at 06:47 PM



“ Barb, Matt, Christy and Pat-

Mike was a very special guy of the old school variety, a WWII vet, Catholic and married once. No one can replace him. He was great to visit with and listen to tales about golf, traveling, fishing and life in general. Thanks for sharing him with us in Olney. It was a blessing to get to know him and we will miss him too.

He has gone to his reward and I am sure Christ is enjoying his company as much as we all did.

God bless- Larry and Linda Lauer, Olney Md###imported-begin###Larry and Linda Lauer###imported-end##

October 23, 2009 at 02:35 PM



“ To Mike's family,

He was my favorite patient ever. I loved seeing him in the office. He made it a point to be kind and complimentary. I loved hearing all his stories and he always, always spoke so fondly of his Barbara.

Rest in Peace Mike!

Melissa (Dr. Zeltner's office)###imported-begin###Melissa Olcott###imported-end##

October 23, 2009 at 12:46 PM



“ Barb and Matt,

Sandy and I are so sorry for your loss. Your father was a real gentleman and he will be missed. My fondest memories of him are from those Christmases when you and your family welcomed me into your home to help decorate the tree. Your parent's warmth and friendship made it a very special time.

At other times of the year when I visited, he made me feel welcome despite the fact that I was a Yankee fan and he was not!

Our sympathy and warmest thoughts are with you now.....Dave and Sandy##imported-begin##Dave and Sandy Kartzman##imported-end##

October 22, 2009 at 11:36 PM



“ Barbara *It has been many years since Mercy, Class of '68. I am so sorry to read of your dad's death, as well as your Mom's. My own Mom passed away this past August, my dad in '98. Was in Albany these past 8 days to be with my sister Pat whose husband died last week and was waked at McVeigh's, that's where I saw your dad's name. Peace to you and your family. Sincerely, Lois##imported-begin##Lois Winters Morrison##imported-end##*

October 22, 2009 at 08:06 PM



“ Barb,
Your dad is at peace in Heaven and joins your dear mother and brother, Matt's dad, Irv, Jr, and Irv, Sr, along with my mother and many others we have all lost over the years. Although he did suffer a little the past few months, his quick death is a blessing. You are all in our prayers. We love you!
Ginni & Frank##imported-begin##Ginni & Frank
Szczepanski##imported-end##

October 22, 2009 at 05:20 PM



“ Barb, My heart goes out to you and your family at this time. You have our deepest sympathy at this time. Just remember all the memories that you have made over all these years and even though your Dad isn't here, he will forever be in your heart.
Will keep you in my prayers.##imported-begin##Jamesene and Mac
Franklin##imported-end##

October 22, 2009 at 02:10 PM



“ I love you folks, and I love your family. I pray for peace over your entire family in losing Grandpa Mike. Thank you, and thanks to him for being even a part of my life. Growing up with the Coyles in Olney, MD, Grandparents are a shared love between families and a part of life that I will never forget. I will always remember Mike's great laugh, and greater stories.

in loving memory, my heart is with you.

~john lauer##imported-begin##John Lauer##imported-end##

October 22, 2009 at 02:07 PM



“ *Barb and Matt,
Bill and I want to express our deepest sympathy. We will be there to
help you with anything.
Love Always,
Mary And Bill###imported-begin###Mary Ann and Bill
Brennan###imported-end##*

October 22, 2009 at 11:23 AM



“ *We have very fond memories of coming over to your house - Barb
and Matt - and
enjoying all his wonderful stories. He was an amazing
person!###imported-begin###Carol and Mike Hayhoe###imported-
end##*

October 22, 2009 at 09:24 AM