William Falasca Obituary, Lynn, MA 11/17/14, 6:47 AM



William M. "Skip" Falasca

March 12, 1945 - October 31, 2014 Resided in Lynn, MA

Obituary

Mr. William M. "Skip" Falasca, Jr., age 69, of Lynn, formerly of Swampscott, passed away peacefully on Friday while in the beautiful care of Merrimack Valley Hospice in Haverhill surrounded by his children. Born in Lynn and raised in Nahant and Swampscott, he was the son of the late William M. Falasca, Sr. and Pauline (Shay) Falasca.

Skip was employed by the Boston Herald for 18 years until his retirement in 2007. Prior to that, he worked for WTC Air Freight Company. He was a member of the Teamsters Union, local 259.

A standout athlete at St. Mary's of Lynn, Skip captained the 1962 hockey team, was a league All Star, and was the co-captain of the championship Marian baseball team. Skip was also selected to the Boston Globe and Herald All Scholastic baseball teams, as well as being named the Catholic Conference All Star third baseman. Skip was also recognized as one of the hearts of the Connery Post 6 American Legion championship baseball team in 1962. He was twice selected to the Hearst Newspapers All New England Sandlot baseball team that competed at Fenway Park, and in 1962 Skip was selected as one of three players from the Fenway Hearst tournament to represent New England in the Hearst U.S.A. All Star game at the Polo Grounds Stadium in New York City.

After high school Skip attended Parsons College in Iowa, a national collegiate baseball power, on a full scholarship. Skip was drafted in 1966 by the Detroit Tigers and played minor league ball in the Carolina League where he suffered a devastating knee injury in the league All Star game that ultimately ended his professional career. Most recently he was honored last spring to be inducted into St. Mary's High School first ever Athletic Hall of Fame.

Having a passion for team sports of all kinds Skip also played golf and enjoyed visiting the ocean and mountains. His greatest joy though came from spending time with his family who he dearly loved.

He is survived by his three children; Allison Flanagan and her husband Peter of

Plaistow, NH, Christopher Falasca of Lynn, and Emily Raymond and her husband Stephen of Manchester, NH; their mother, Mary Falasca of Merrimac; three granddaughters, Mackenzie and Peyton Flanagan of Plaistow, NH, and Samantha Raymond of Manchester, NH; his sister, Kim (Falasca) Bryson and her husband Joe of Lynn; and his brother, Tim Falasca and his wife Connie of Weymouth.

His funeral will be held on Saturday at 8AM from the SOLIMINE FUNERAL HOME, 67 Ocean St. (Rt 1A), Lynn, followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Mary's Church, Lynn at 9AM. Burial will be in Swampscott Cemetery. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited. Visiting hours are Friday from 2-6PM. Skip was a generous man who gave to many charities. To continue his generosity, those who prefer may make donations to the Merrimack Valley Hospice House, 316 North Ave., Haverhill, MA 01830 or to a favorite charity of their choosing. Directions and guestbook at www.solimine.com

Services

Funeral Home

Solimine Funeral Home - Ocean St

67 Ocean Street (Rt 1A) Lynn, MA US 01902



Map / Directions

Visitation

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Friday, November 7, 2014 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Funeral Mass

St. Mary's Church

8 South Common Street Lynn, MA US 01902



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Saturday, November 8, 2014 9:00 AM

Cemetery

Swampscott Cemetery

Essex Street Swampscott, MA US 01907



Map / Directions



Saturday, November 8, 2014