**FRANCIS V. LASH, 68**

NORTHBRIDGE - Francis V. Lash, 68, of 434 Highland St. died Monday in his home.   
  
His wife, Louise R. (Rundlett) Lash, died in February. He leaves his mother, Irene E. (Emery) Lash of Northbridge; a brother, Robert Lash of Burlington; a sister, Olive M. Donatelli of Uxbridge; nephews and nieces. He was born in Northbridge, son of John T. Lash Sr., and lived here all his life.   
  
Mr. Lash was a tool marker at the former Whitin Machine Works in Whitinsville, and later worked at New England Newspaper Supply of Millbury before retiring in 1988.   
  
He was a noted baseball pitcher for the Whitin team in the Blackstone Valley League. He had played Triple A baseball in the Philadelphia Phillies organization. He was an organizer and long-time coach in Northbridge Little Leagues.   
  
The funeral Mass will be celebrated at 9 a.m. tomorrow in St. Patrick's Church, Cross Street, Whitinsville. Burial will be in Pine Grove Cemetery, Whitinsville. There are no calling hours. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Whitin Community Center, Main Street, Whitinsville, 01588. Jackman Funeral Home, 12 Spring St., Whitinsville, is directing arrangements.

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