

NORWICH, CT

OBITUARY

John J. Belliveau

JUNE 15, 1918 – NOVEMBER 13, 2016



John Joseph Belliveau, 98, of Norwich, passed to eternal life on November 13, 2016.

Born June 15, 1918, in Amherst, Nova Scotia, Canada, son of the later Edgar Joseph and Mary Margaret (Ryan) Belliveau. On May 30, 1942, he was united in marriage to Mary Ethel LeBlanc

Belliveau, who died September 27, 2009. He is survived by six children: Mary Ann Boudreau Brautigam

(Arthur) of Leesburg, Florida; Roger Belliveau (Anne) of Floral City, Florida; Nancy Barry

(Michael) of Lisbon; Maureen Lanoue (Joseph) of Norwich; Kathryn Lavoie (John) of Quaker

Hill; and Lisa Belliveau of Montgomery Village, Maryland. He also leaves behind eleven grand-

children, eleven great-grandchildren, foreign exchange student/adopted daughter Marja-Liisa

Rantapelkonen of Finland, in addition to numerous cousins, nieces, and nephews. He was

predeceased by granddaughter Deirdre Boudreau, son-in-law Donald R. Boudreau, great-grandson

Justin Key, and nine siblings: Edward "Red" Belliveau, Marie Gertrude Oloff, Michael James

Belliveau, Clarence E. "Dede" Belliveau, Reverend Norbert E. Belliveau, Irene Perkowski, Robert

William Belliveau, Thomas Arthur Belliveau, and Margaret LeBlanc.

John was a man of great faith and strength, a loving father and grandfather, who set a wonderful example for his family and friends. His life was one of service to others, particularly in his church, where he was the altar server for many years at daily Mass and at all funerals. He retired as a welder from General Dynamics, Electric Boat Division in July, 1984. At the age of 55, he received his GED.

A communicant of Sacred Heart Church, Norwichtown, he served as Trustee, Eucharistic minister, lector, member of the Third Order of St. Francis, the Holy Name Society, and the Knights of Columbus. He was also active in the parish bible study group, prayer group, the Cursillo Movement, the Charismatic Movement, and the Pro Life Movement. In addition, he took on projects at the church including cleaning the parking lot, trimming the shrubs, caring for the votive lights, providing transportation to Mass for residents of St. Jude Common and others in the community, and visiting and bringing the Eucharist to the home bound. In 1997, he received two parish recognitions: one as the parish's Outstanding Senior Citizen and another awarded presented by Centennial Honors Committee. In addition to his church affiliations, he was also a member of the local AARP chapter.

The family wishes to thank the staff at Beechwood in New London who so lovingly cared for John. The family will receive family and friends on Friday, Nov. 18th, from 5-8 pm. at the Labenski Funeral Home, 107 Boswell Avenue, Norwich, where the funeral will assemble on Saturday, Nov 19th, at 9:30 am. and proceed to a Mass of Christian Burial at 10:30 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church, 52 West Town Street, Norwich. Entombment to follow in St. Mary Mausoleum. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his memory to either Sacred Heart Church, 52 West Town Street, Norwich, CT 06360 or to the Haitian Health Foundation, 97 Sherman Street, Norwich, CT 06360.

To leave a condolence or share a memory, please visit www.labenskifuneralhome.com

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Calling Hours / Visitation Friday, November 18, 2016

Calling Hour Saturday, November 19, 2016

Mass of Christian Burial Saturday, November 19, 2016

Entombment Saturday, November 19, 2016

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Fran Leta

November 18, 2016

It is with deep sadness that we send our condolences on the loss of such a gentle and kind man. We shall remember him with

much warmth. Sincerely, Fran and Lou Leta

Mark Kalinowski

November 18, 2016

God must have needed a "good and faithful servant" in Heaven because he certainly took one of the best from us.

From the time I was a teenager I looked up to and respected your dad's sincerity in faith, commitment to your mom, your family, and the church. To the devotion of Our Lady and the parish family of Sacred Heart in Norwichtown and beyond, he was a model christian. He walked the walk making me listen more intently when he talked the talk.

To Lisa and his entire family, your dad will always bring a smile to my face. We know through our faith that his passing was a mere turn of the page and the start of a new chapter. He has seen his personal savior face to face and he is reunited with his Lord and his soul mate, your mom. What a team they were.

God bless and keep you all.



Sharon & Brian Cowell

November 17, 2016

When we lose a loved one here on earth, we gain an angel in heaven that watches over us. May you take comfort in knowing that you have an angel to watch over you now. We extend our most sincere condolences to the family.

Betty Choate

November 16, 2016

To all of the family of John, I am so sorry for your loss. John was a very good friend of and neighbor of my parents, Rose and Jim Perrone. I can't tell you how many times my mother spoke of how he picked them up for church and was so kind to them. He was very comforting to my family when my parents passed away and we had their funerals and gatherings after. He will be missed and remembered fondly.

Betty Perrone Choate

Peter and Diane Reguin

November 15, 2016

Ray and Maureen, So sorry for your loss. John was a wonderful gentleman who will be missed.

John & Darlene Horsmon

November 15, 2016

Roger and Ann, sorry to hear of the passing of your dad, sounds like he lead a wonderful and full life. God knows best, thinking of you both in this difficult time. Love to you both! John and Darlene Horsmon

dennis j riley

November 15, 2016

I extend condolences to John's family...he was a great man in the fullest meaning of those words and his commitment to Catholicism was a model for all members of that church.

Barbara Ryan

November 15, 2016

Our prayers and sympathy to you Nancy and your family. it is a very difficult time of year to lose a loved one, but gives thanks for the wonderful life he led, now he rests in peace with his loving wife. God bless you.

Fred Brautigam

November 15, 2016

I am saddened to read of Mr. Belliveau's passing. Please accept my condolences and prayers of comfort to all of Mr Belliveau's family.

Lue Ann Watchus

November 15, 2016

Our lives have been enriched by your example – May God bless you and your family.

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