



Harold W. Hirtle

August 16, 1924 - December 16, 2020

W. STEWARTSTOWN – Harold W. Hirtle, 96, formerly of Malden, Mass., and Bridgewater, NH, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, Dec. 16, 2020, at the Coös County Nursing Hospital in W. Stewartstown after a long period of failing health.

He was born in East Boston, Mass., on Aug. 16, 1924, a son to the late Frank and Annebelle (Harper) Hirtle, one of six children.

Harold was a proud Army veteran of World War II, serving with the 734th Field Artillery Battalion and he was an active member of veterans' organizations for which he carried the American Flag in parades as a member of their Color Guard. He saw combat action at the Battle of the Bulge and throughout the Rhineland, and was in Germany at the end of the war.

After discharge, Harold returned home and married the love of his life, Helen Sullivan, with whom he shared seventy years of marriage before her death in Sept., 2016. He went to night school in Malden and proudly earned his high school diploma and later took a business course at Harvard University.

Harold worked in the meat department of First National Stores. He was then elected to serve as a business representative and later rose to President of the local union of what is now United Food & Commercial Workers Union.

He is survived by his daughters Kathleen Cashton and her husband Steven of Byfield, Mass., and Linda Tyler and her husband Robert of Clarksville, NH. He is also survived by nine grandchildren who loved him dearly; twenty-four great grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren. Harold is also survived by his sister Mildred Rexford of Salisbury, Mass., and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to his beloved wife, Harold was predeceased by his son, Thomas Hirtle of Malden and Lowell.

There are no public calling hours. A private interment service with military honors will be held at a later date at the NH State Veterans' Cemetery in Boscawen, NH.

Condolences may be offered to the family on-line by going to www.jenkinsnewman.com.

Funeral arrangements are entrusted to the care of Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home, Colebrook, NH.

Tribute Wall

EB

“ Am sorry to hear of Harold's passing. Harold was a fellow Legionnaire (Northland Post #47, Canaan, VT)...and, in fact, was an Honorary member. While working as an RN at CCNH he and I would often talk politics and other subjects. I enjoyed his company. My sympathies to his family.

Eric Brungot - December 23, 2020 at 07:57 AM

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Thank you for your friendship to my Dad and your kind wishes.

Kathy - December 27, 2020 at 09:14 AM

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“ Our deepest condolences go out to the family on your loss. I can remember Harold over the years when he would participate when the Sons of the American Legion (SAL) would have our annual County Farm Bingo. Harold was one of the recipients of a shirt that was made and presented by the SAL to him for his service during WWII. He was a man of great integrity and honor from all of my interactions with him.

Haven & Peggy Haynes - December 22, 2020 at 10:04 AM

KA

Thank you for sharing your memories.
Kathy Cashton

Kathy - December 27, 2020 at 09:10 AM



“ We are sorry for your loss. Harold was a gracious gentleman with a wonderful sense of humor. He was full of interesting stories which we did not mind hearing more than once. He will be missed.

Sincerely,
Emmy and Bruce Katz

Emmy Katz - December 20, 2020 at 07:00 AM

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Thank you for your kind words.
Kathy Cashton

Kathy - December 27, 2020 at 09:11 AM

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“ So sorry to hear of Harold's passing. He was a beautiful soul, a true gentleman. My Mom, Irma Noyes, & I enjoyed visiting with Harold on the patio in the evening, loved to hear him croon a tune. I'm sure he'll be missed at CCNH.

Faye Riley - December 19, 2020 at 08:43 AM

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CCNH truly became his home. Thank you for sharing your memories.

Kathy - December 27, 2020 at 09:12 AM