



Chester T. Gazda

July 26, 1932 - December 30, 2020

Chester T. Gazda, 88, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, December 30, 2020, with loving family at his side. Born July 26, 1932, son of the late Theodore and Nellie (Kowalski) Gazda, he was a lifelong Chicopee resident. A graduate of Chicopee High School, he continued his education at Hampden College of Pharmacy, where he earned his Bachelor's Degree, followed by a Masters Degree earned at Westfield State College. He retired after thirty-eight years of service as a metallurgist at Titeflex Corp., and then worked for eight years as an auditor for Pratt & Whitney Aircraft. Chester was a communicant of the Basilica of St. Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr, and served his parish in many capacities including serving on the school building committee and working on the pierogi making team. He was a commissioner of the Chicopee Electric Light Department, and a member of the Chicopee Lodge of Elks 1849 and Chicopee Knights of Columbus, Council 69. Chester was predeceased in 2016 by his son, Peter A. Gazda, and is survived by his beloved wife of sixty-five years, Barbara J. (Guzek) Gazda; loving son, Paul G. Gazda and wife Susan of Chicopee; cherished grandchildren, Krystyna and Nicholas Gazda; and brothers, Eugene Gazda, and Robert Gazda and wife Louise. Family and friends are invited to a Mass of Christian Burial for Chester on Wednesday at 10AM in St. Stanislaus Basilica. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Stanislaus School, 534 Front St., Chicopee, MA 01013.

Previous Events

Mass

JAN 6. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Stanislaus Basilica_
566 Front St.
Chicopee, MA

Tribute Wall



“ *My heart goes out to you, Barbara and Paul. Laurie Sablak gave me the news. Chet was such a sweet man. I still have the wampum bracelet I got from him one Christmas in High School. If you can believe this, my sympathy card to him and Barbara is still sitting in the same place I put it, having never sent it, I was so speechless and devastated by Peter's loss and my mother's decline, I couldn't find the words. There are no words. I envision him and Peter reunited in Heaven.*

*Much love,
Cindy Klatte*



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