



## Mr Frederick Arthur Raftery

April 1, 1927 - November 7, 2016

### LENOX:

Frederick Arthur Raftery, 89, of Lenox, died Monday November 7th at Berkshire Medical Center surrounded by his loving family.

Born in Pittsfield on April 1, 1927 to the late Frederick L. and Alice Percival Raftery he attended local schools, was a 1945 graduate of Pittsfield High School, and later completed the General Electric Co. Apprentice Program.

Mr. Raftery was employed by General Electric in Pittsfield as a draftsman for many years, retiring in 1988.

He was a communicant of St. Ann's Church and was a member of their choir. Fred loved to sing choral music and also sang with the Berkshire Concert Choir, Berkshire Lyric Theater, Yankee Male Chorus, Berkshire Bach Society, and had been a member and former Grand Knight of the Fr. William F. Davitt Council Knights of Columbus in Lenox. He was an avid Red Sox, Patriots, and Bruins fan and enjoyed bowling.

Mr. Raftery and his wife, Dorothea Brancazzu Raftery, were married January 27, 1951 at St. Charles Church in Pittsfield. Mrs. Raftery died August 17, 2010.

Fred is survived by his four children; Sean K. Raftery (Brenda) and Brian D. Raftery, both of Lenox, Patrick M. Raftery (Theresa) of Rockland, MA., and Brenda M. Hall (John) of Lenox; twelve grandchildren, eight greatgrandchildren, and his beloved dog Gus.

Besides his parents and wife, he was predeceased by his son Daniel G.

Rafferty on April 7, 2004, and several brothers and sisters.

The funeral of Mr. Frederick A. Rafferty of Lenox will be Saturday, November 12, 2016 at 9 am from the ROCHE FUNERAL HOME followed by a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 10 am at St. Ann's Church celebrated by the Rev.

Monsignor John J. Bonzagni, Pastor. Burial will follow in Church on the Hill Cemetery. Calling hours at the funeral home are Friday evening from 4-7 pm.

In lieu of flowers donations in Fred's memory may be made to the Amedisys Home Health Services in care of the funeral home, 120 Main Street, Lenox, MA 01240.

# Cemetery Details

## Church on the Hill

Main Street  
Lenox, MA 01240

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 11. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Roche Funeral Home  
120 Main Street  
P.O. Box 152  
Lenox, MA 01240  
(413) 637-0699  
eroche120fh@gmail.com

## Burial

NOV 12. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

Church on the Hill  
Main Street  
Lenox, MA 01240

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Sean and Family,*

*I just heard about your dad. I remember him as a very nice man. I'll keep him, your mom, Danny and all of you in my prayers. I have fond memories of the Rafferty family and fun times on Brunell Avenue.*

*God bless,*

*Bill Lahart*

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**Bill Lahart** - November 15, 2016 at 09:10 AM

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“ *My condolences to Rafferty family*

*Jim Kirby*

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**James Kiirby** - November 10, 2016 at 08:18 AM

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“ *To Ashley and family...We were so sorry to hear of the death of your grandfather. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this difficult time.*

*Love,*

*Shirley and Peter*

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**Shirley and Peter Zurrin** - November 10, 2016 at 06:21 AM