



Mr. Robert E. Wheeler

May 27, 1929 - April 21, 2024

Robert E. Wheeler, “Poppy”, 94, died peacefully on Sunday, April 21, 2024 at his home in Lenox, surrounded by his loving family.

Mr. Wheeler was born on May 27, 1929 in Pittsfield, MA., to the late Russell and Madeline Farnum Wheeler. He attended Lenox High School and was a 1947 graduate. After high school, Robert enlisted in the United States Army and served during the Korean War. He was honorably discharged in 1953. He worked as an Auto Mechanic for many years and then GE, retiring in 1991. Bob was a communicant of St. Ann’s Church. Bob lived his entire life in Lenox where he was known by everyone and often referred to as the “Mayor of Lenox”. He would greet you with the biggest smile and a joke or two. Always willing to lend a helping hand, a kind and humble soul.

His greatest joy was getting in his car and driving either to Ogunquit, Cape Cod, or Rhode Island with his wife, Peggy at his side. He enjoyed swimming in the ocean, meeting people along the Marginal Way, eating the local fare and of course, ice cream. If he wasn’t in downtown Lenox, you could find Poppy at Wheeler’s Market having coffee with his buddy, John, scratching their lottery tickets and reminiscing.

Mr. Wheeler is survived by his children; Linda A. Babich (Greg) of Richmond, MA., Robert J. Wheeler of Lenox, and Timothy M. Wheeler of Marlboro, MA., six granddaughters; Natalie, Nicole, and Kelly Babich, Megan Besse (Tyler), Carly and Leah Wheeler, one great-grandson; Ryan Besse, and his sister; Barbara Sibley of Lenox.

A Liturgy of Christian Burial will be held on Saturday, May 4, 2024 at 10am in St. Ann's Church with Monsignor John Bonzagni, officiating. Burial will follow in St. Ann Cemetery. There will be no calling hours. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to either Hospice Care in the Berkshires, Elder Services, or UCP in care of the Roche Funeral Home, 120 Main Street, Lenox, MA. 01240.

The family would like to thank all of his wonderful caretakers who were so caring and loving allowing him to remain at home.

Cemetery Details

St. Ann's Cemetery

1 Ore Bed Road
Lenox, MA 01240

Previous Events

Service

MAY 4. 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM (ET)

St. Ann's Church
134 Main Street
Lenox, MA 01240

Burial

MAY 4. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Ann's Cemetery
1 Ore Bed Road
Lenox, MA 01240

Tribute Wall

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“ To Bob's Family my deepest sympathy.
Bob and Peg were our neighbors on Tucker St.
They were a sweet couple and great neighbors.
It seems I always would see Bob in Price Chopper.
He always was so nice and that smile on his face and a laugh or
two he was a joke to talk too
He is an icon in Lenox.
He now is with Peg again they are side by side at The Lord's Table.
Rest in Peace Bob.

Sandy Cummings - April 29, 2024 at 09:48 PM

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“ A great and kind Uncle to me, and little brother to my mother, he will
be missed. Dennis and Annie Harrison.

Dennis Russell Harrison - April 26, 2024 at 01:05 PM