



Richard Oliver LaGasse

January 15, 1927 - September 23, 2017

Richard Oliver LaGasse, 90, of Sarasota died September 23, 2017. Born January 15, 1927 to Edmond E. LaGasse and Frances Storey. He lived in Haverill, MA.

He was a Member of St. Thomas More Catholic Church. Served in World War II in the Navy, earned the Victory and American Theatre Medals and was honorably discharged; Was a Machinist, tool maker and building and swimming pool contractor.

Richard is survived by his wife of 33 years, Nancy, his children, Richard LaGasse / Wife Debra, William LaGasse, James LaGasse / wife Veronica, Arthur LaGasse / Wife Cynthia and Mary Anderson / Husband Keith, stepdaughters, Penny DiGregorio and Patricia Larsen, brother, George LaGasse and by 12 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren.

He was predeceased by wife: Edith LaGasse, Grandson: Jacob LaGasse; Brothers: Henry, John, Edmund, Frances and Robert LaGasse.

Richard was a licensed swimming pool contractor for over fifty years; Past owner of Blue Ribbon Pools retired; Past President of National Swimming Pool Association.

He was an active an member of the "Friends of Bill" for over 42 years and was a man who lived life fully, traveling the world and continuously giving of himself to help others. He was an accomplished painter, who gave away his works for others to enjoy and always shared a positive attitude. He will be missed by many who shared his life, loved and respected him.

A visitation will be Thursday, September 28, 2017 from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM at St. Thomas More Catholic Church.

A funeral mass will be held on Friday, September 29, 2017 at 9:30 AM at St. Thomas More Catholic Church.

Our gratitude to Tidewell Hospice and many others for their loving assistance allowing him to stay in the home he loved.

Tribute Wall



“ *Richard was our old gym buddy. We do miss him. Our hearts go out to his family.*

January 20, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Nancy & All the LaGasse Family,
The Fortin Family Kids, Rita Fortin, and Gene & Rita C. all send their love and sympathy. We remember "Uncle Dick" fondly for all the love attention and antics he shared with us when we were kids. I also have great memories of the short time we got to spend together when you & he visited Hawaii.
With much love & Aloha always... Jeannie & family*

September 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *So sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Rose & Doug Latino - September 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *So sorry for the loss of such a wonderful man. May your hearts heal with time.*

Trish Malone - September 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our sympathy on the loss of your Father. He will be missed by all who knew him.*

Robin Debbie De Vaney - September 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ *May the love of friends and family carry you through your grief. I will always remember the positive influence Dick was for me and many others.*

Tony Ferraro - September 26, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with Nancy and her family now and in the days to come as they face life on earth without Dick.*
Love,
Barbara Shaffer

September 25, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ *My deepest sympathy to you, Nancy, and your family. May he Rest In Peace*
Elva Mungai

Elva Mungai - September 25, 2017 at 12:00 AM