



Edwin A. "Butch" Waszkiewicz, Jr.

September 4, 1950 - August 23, 2023

UTICA - Edwin A. "Butch" Waszkiewicz, Jr., age 72, passed away in his lifelong home on Wednesday, August 23, 2023.

Born in Utica on September 4, 1950, he was the son of the late Edwin A., Sr. and Mary E. (Weiss) Waszkiewicz. He attended Blessed Sacrament Grammar School, was a 1968 graduate of Notre Dame High School, and furthered his studies at the Utica School of Commerce. From the late 1960s into early 1970, Butch proudly served his country in the Army Reserves.

Butch used his business education to enter the world of real estate, where he was an agent, an assessor, and realtor for a local real estate company. He accepted a position with the City of Utica's Assessor's Office at City Hall. He rendered ten years of service as an Assistant Assessor. Lastly, Butch went on to work at Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company as an insurance sales agent.

As a lifelong Utican, Butch was an advocate for the city and all its developments. He enjoyed giving back to his community and was a member of the former Utica Jaycees Community Volunteer Organization and The Genesis Group. He attended Common Council meetings and was proud of the local expansions in his beloved city.

The International Halls of Fame: Bicycling, Rowing, Canoeing, Kayaking. The

Children's Museum was an organization close to his heart, and he will be remembered for his generosity supporting its needs. He represented the organization on the advisory committee for the City of Utica Waterfront Access Plan.

Butch loved nature, and enjoyed many activities in the Adirondacks including hiking, skiing, and kayaking. It all began when he had a small sailboat in his youth. He was well-known for tallying up the number of days he participated in his favorite activities.

Butch was a unique conversationalist and well-versed on topics of the Utica area. He always had ideas and great intentions, approaching endeavors with mind over matter. His openness and interest in others was always evident and as a result he had wonderful relationships with many across the city.

If you were looking for Butch, you would find him having lunch with the boys at the Court Vue Luncheonette or socializing at Utica Coffee! Butch had a spiritual sense of the Lord and was a member of St. Mary of Mt. Carmel / Blessed Sacrament Parish.

Family was incredibly important to Butch. He kept abreast of all their life events. Butch was a natural caregiver for his parents, and his sisters are proud and grateful to him for his dedication. He was an advocate for their physical and social needs, and his thoughtfulness was genuine. His parents were known for their Christmas parties which brought together his large extended family each year, which solidified Butch's love of family holiday get-togethers.

Butch is survived by his sisters, Elizabeth (Waszkiewicz) Pollock (late Jeremiah Pollock), and Susan G. Waszkiewicz. He is also survived by his nieces, Jennifer Pollock Mitloff (Michael Mitloff), and Rebecca Anne Pollock,

who was also his god-daughter; and by his great-niece, Molly Mitloff. Also left to cherish his memory are many cousins. He was preceded in death by his maternal and paternal grandparents, along with many aunts and uncles.

The family would like to extend their appreciation to the caring physicians at Slocum-Dickson Medical Group, as well as Butch's Home-health caregivers. A special thanks to Joe Fletcher, who has been a kind and compassionate neighbor and friend.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, September 2, 2023, from 9:00-10:00 a.m. at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Butch's Mass of Christian Burial and Celebration of Life, which will follow at 11:00 a.m. at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel / Blessed Sacrament Parish, 648 Jay St.

By family request, please omit floral offerings. Memorial contributions may be made to Adirondack Mountain Club online at adk.org or an organization of your choice. Envelopes will also be available at the funeral home. Internment will take place at the convenience of the family at St. Agnes Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

St. Agnes Cemetery

601 Arthur Street
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 732-8588

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 2. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.
932 South Street
corner of Hammond Ave.
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 724-6714
eannacefh@roadrunner.com

Funeral Service

SEP 2. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary of Mount Carmel / Blessed Sacrament Parish
648 Jay St
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 735-1482

Tribute Wall

LW

“ Liz and Sue,

We are so very sorry to hear of Butch's passing. What a loss for the family and so many other friends and people in Utica. Butch was such a great guy! He has even had a lasting impact on each of our children (Olivia, Steve, and Kevin).

Some of our favorite memories that we always talk about involve his adventures and friendly ways. Years ago when our children were little, we bumped into Butch on the top of Bald Mtn with his vintage Adirondack backpack and hiking poles. We visited, laughed and went on our way hoping to see him again soon, which we did. We would see him hiking the switchbacks in Valley View and in church on Sunday evenings at Our Lady of Lourdes. The church would be silent and all of a sudden we would hear the sound of Butch walking in with his cross country ski clothes and ski boots on. He would always make his way over to sit with us, "his cousin Steve".

Butch took a lot of pride in family and valued time spent together. Our children remember these times so vividly just as we do. He certainly made a lasting impression on all of us. The Steve Waszkiewicz family will miss Butch and will keep these fantastic memories alive.

Liz and Sue, our hearts, prayers and thoughts are with you during this difficult time.

*Much love,
Steve and Liz
Olivia, Steve, Kevin*

Liz Waszkiewicz - September 01, 2023 at 07:24 PM



Susan
Mitloff

*Sending sincere condolences to Luzy, Sue, Jennifer and Rebecca
Susan and Norm Mitloff*

Susan Mitloff - September 02, 2023 at 06:08 AM

AR

“ Liz and Sue I’m so sorry to learn of the loss of your brother. I know how special Bruce was to both of you. His love for family and Utica was legendary. May he rest in peace and May his memory be a blessing.

Anne Boyle Rivecca - September 01, 2023 at 11:18 AM

JB

*“ Liz and Sue I am sorry for your loss. I will miss getting together with Butch on Boilermaker weekend and at the reunions at the brewery. He kept me up to date on the happenings in Utica. My thoughts and prayers are with you. May he rest in peace.
John Boyle*

John Boyle - September 01, 2023 at 08:40 AM

RT

*“ My sincere sympathy to Liz, Sue and family. I attended Blessed Sacrament and Notre Dame schools with Butch. He was a great guy and true friend. May God rest his soul.
Sincerely,
Richard Tehan*

Richard Tehan - August 31, 2023 at 08:40 PM

SB

“ Condolences to Sue and Elizabeth. Family reunions at the Brewery won't be the same without Butch--he has attended all of them. Sue Boyle and Bruce Bilmes.

Sue Boyle - August 31, 2023 at 06:57 PM

LA

“ Always remember Butch meeting us at the Boilermaker after party. He was my mom's cousin. Rest in peace Butch.

Lauren - August 31, 2023 at 12:11 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Edwin A. "Butch" Waszkiewicz, Jr..

August 30, 2023 at 12:02 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Edwin A. "Butch" Waszkiewicz, Jr..



August 30, 2023 at 12:02 PM

SB

“ Butch was a long time customer who became part of our family he will always be remembered at the Court Vue love you Butch may you rest in peace.
The Court Vue Luncheonette



Sonna Brazzley - August 29, 2023 at 10:24 AM

SJ

“ *Fond memories Ed @ Notre Dame High School (NDHS). We were blessed with the Xaverian Brothers and the quality education as well as our dear colleagues like you Ed. Janice and I will always keep your spirit alive in our Catholic masses, rosaries, novena and prayers. God bless my friend! Samuel L. Russo Jr. Class of 1968 NDHS*



Samuel L. Russo Jr. - August 27, 2023 at 05:02 PM