



## Howard William Bohling, Jr.

October 2, 1927 - December 10, 2007

Mr. Howard William Bohling, Jr., age 80, of Sauquoit, passed away on Monday, December 10, 2007 at the Charles T. Sitrin Health Care Center with his loving family by his side.

Born in New Hartford on October 2, 1927, Howard was the son of the late Howard William, Sr. and Frances (Gossin) Bohling. Raised and educated locally, he was a graduate of New Hartford High School. A veteran of World War II, he served his country in the U.S. Air Force as an Air Transport technician, stationed at the Bermuda Base Command. On August 27, 1948 he married the former Elizabeth Marie Minal with whom he shared 59 years in a marriage that was blessed with many wonderful times and a life filled with family activities.

As a self-employed entrepreneur, Howard was a man endowed with a strong work ethic. He established Bohling's Auto Service in 1957, mainly located at State St. and Lincoln Ave. His patrons were his life line, and his honest business ways and ethical commitments were admired and remembered in this community. He lived by the philosophy "If people couldn't make a living in their own back yard, they couldn't make it anywhere". Howard had a sincere appreciation for the outdoors and animals, and he surrounded himself with the beauty of the New Hartford and Sauquoit Valleys. A passionate snowmobiler for many years, he especially appreciated the Canadian trails which he traveled to in more recent years. He frequented his summer home in Richfield Springs where he enjoyed boating and water activities, and especially loved

sharing his interest in these sports with his four children. Traditional values were important to him, and they provided a guiding source for his life. He was a life member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Remsen Post #982.

Howard is survived by his wife, Elizabeth; his children and their spouses, Charles H. and Linda (Rizzo) Bohling of the Milwaukee, Wisconsin area, Susan Gottlieb and her husband Neil Wolk of New York City, NY, June M. and Alan Goldman of Long Island, and Lawrence H. and Ann L. (Zongrone) Bohling of Sauquoit; and his adored grandchildren, Amy, and Michael Bohling; Dana Gottlieb; Tanya, and Zachary Goldman; and Justin, and Abbie Bohling. Also surviving are his sisters and brothers-in-law, Betty Jean Smith of Taberg, NY, Lillian Lorraine of FL, Sally and Carl Barth, Mildred and Donald Moore, and Eleanor and Steve Moran, all of New Hartford; many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, and cousins, including Evelyn and Bill Tanner; and his sister-in-law, Shirley Bryan. He was predeceased by his brothers, Arthur, George, and William Bohling; his brother-in-law, Jack Bryan; and his sister-in-law, Margaret "Peggy" Simpson and her husband David.

The family extends sincere thanks to the St. Elizabeth Medical Center and the Charles T. Sitrin Health Care Center for their compassion in caring for Howard.

Visitation will be held Thursday (today) from 1:00-3:00 and 6:00-8:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. By family request, please omit floral offerings. For those wishing to do so, please consider memorial donations in Howard's honor to the family, enabling them to establish an automotive scholarship; envelopes will be available at the funeral home. The VFW Remsen Post #982 will gather at the funeral home on Thursday evening at 7:30 for ritualistic services.

# Tribute Wall



“ *To Mrs. Bohling (wife)*

*So sorry to read about your loss of Howard, I have know the family know for 15 years thru my cleaning service and was out of town . Sorry this took so long, to post. God Bless Take care!!  
Ralph(ServiceMaster by Imperial)##imported-begin##Ralph Pastorelli##imported-end##*

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February 01, 2008 at 03:42 PM



“ *Betty... our sincere sympathy to you and your family at this time of sorrow....may God continue to bless you all.....##imported-begin##maynard and johanne brown##imported-end##*

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December 14, 2007 at 09:35 PM



“ *Larry, and the Bohlig family*

*I am sorry to hear about the death of Howard. I had been a customer for many years, because of his personality and conscientiousness towards his business.*

*The weather and age have kept me from visiting with you today.*

*Sincerely, Allen Bonapart##imported-begin##Allen Bonapart##imported-end##*

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December 13, 2007 at 07:27 PM



“ Betty, Larry, Anne and Family,

*I am so sorry/sad to hear about Howard. He was a great man.... I will always remember him at Camp/Ritchfield Springs either out on a boat, sitting by the campfire, or working on something.*

*One year, Howard and I took Dr. Cooper's sailboat out for a sail. When the wind picked up we almost flipped the boat over and I lost my baseball cap. The next weekend Howard came to camp and gave me a new baseball cap.*

*I will never forget him.*

*Greg##imported-begin##Greg Oczkowski##imported-end##*

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December 12, 2007 at 06:33 PM



“ Sorry to your loss. Howard was always kind and always had a nice thought when ever I brought my car to him for repair. May he rest peace.

*Willie Ann Glinton##imported-begin##willie ann glinton##imported-end##*

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December 12, 2007 at 04:50 PM



“ Howard was a very special person in my life. He made me the man I am today. He was a father figure to me and was the role model I needed in my life. I wouldn't be the man or father that I am today had he not stepped in and guided me through life. I never got a chance to tell him how important he was. I will truly cherish the moments of his memory forever. I think of him often and will never forget his kindness. My deepest sympathies to Betty. You two were the best!!

Love, Kenny Cavoly##imported-begin##Kenneth Cavoly##imported-end##

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December 12, 2007 at 04:37 PM



“ To Larry and all the Bohling family, you are in my thoughts and prayers at this very difficult time. I had a great deal of respect for your father, He was a truly special person, he will be missed.

Please take care and God bless.

Gary Kemp and Family##imported-begin##Gary Kemp##imported-end##

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December 12, 2007 at 04:35 PM



“ TO THE FAMILY OF HOWARD, MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU. IT HAS BEEN MANY YEARS SINCE I HAVE SEEN HOWARD BUT I THINK OF HIM AND THE THINGS HE HAS TAUGHT ME ON HOW TO CONDUCT BUSSINESS. I AM SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS AND MY PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU ALL. JOHN CUPOLO / CUPOLO & SON

AUTOMOTIVE##imported-begin##JOHN CUPOLO AND FAMILY / CUPOLO & SON AUTOMOTIVE INC. ##imported-end##

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December 12, 2007 at 08:51 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.##imported-begin##Jim DeLaura and family##imported-end##*

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December 11, 2007 at 07:05 PM