



## Mr. Miles R. "Dibs" Dibble

December 4, 1934 - September 25, 2016

Mr. Miles R. "Dibs" Dibble, age 81, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, September 25, 2016 in his home. As he passed, he was in the hearts of those who loved him so much.

Born in Utica on December 4, 1934, Miles was the son of the late Miles L. and Maryjane (Fisher) Dibble. He was raised in Utica and attended local schools as well as an area trade school where he was trained as a certified auto mechanic. On June 11, 1955 he married his best friend, the former Marilyn J. Hall, and for 41 years he loved her with all his heart. Their union was laced with independence, yet they were one. It was a bond that could not be broken, even after Marilyn's passing on June 15, 1996.

Miles began his working career as the owner of a gas station located in East Utica. He was subsequently employed by the City of Utica as a mechanic in the Department of Public Works. He worked there for more than 30 years and rose to the position of foreman. During that time he made many great friendships. After his wife's passing, he made their summer home in Sylvan Beach his permanent residence. His garage was the center of many gatherings with friends and family. Miles had a quick and witty sense of humor, and he had many friends who respected and loved him dearly. His legacy will live in his anecdotes, wisdom, generosity, and love.

His daughter Cheryl was 'daddy's little girl' and the center of his world. They were concerned about each other's life, wellbeing, and happiness. As a child, she was always on her dad's shoulders where she felt safe. He called her his

little monkey. He was a comforting father with words of encouragement and wisdom that softened any bumps in the road. As his life unfolded, he found a son in his son-in-law, Mike Rondenelli, and he considered him a great blessing. Cheryl was the catalyst in combining the Dibble and Rondenelli families in a blend of love and harmony which made Miles so happy, especially at Sunday dinners and holiday gatherings that featured a main course of friendship and family unity. Although his wife and many dear friends had passed, he stood strong and lived to see his daughter, 'son', and grandchildren reach their goals. His grandkids were a blessing that he held close to his heart and he was extremely proud of them.

Miles was a member of the American Legion/Sylvan Beach Post #1153 where he valued his many friends and comrades. He was of the Catholic faith. An outdoorsman, Miles enjoyed the solitude of deer hunting, the quiet of fishing and the unique sunsets on Oneida Lake. When he walked into a room he had a peaceful presence, a smile, a sense of optimism, and a welcome that put all at ease. He lived a simple, humble life, but his effect on everyone was spirited and bold. His memory will never fade away.

Miles is survived by his daughter and "son", Cheryl and Michael K. Rondenelli of Westmoreland; and his adored and cherished grandchildren, Michael "Mikey" V. Rondenelli, and Cristina M. Rondenelli. He also leaves his incredible "extended family" including Bob Longo, Jaye Asaro, Vince Rondenelli, Darlene Radder and families. He was predeceased by his sister and brother-in-law, Jayne and James Kelly, and his extended and very special "family members" Connie Longo, Nick Asaro, and Kathie Rondenelli.

The family is truly grateful to Miles' caring neighbors, Donna and Chuck Palmeter, who loved him and watched over him the last years of his life.

Miles' last wishes were for everyone to remember his good days, and that his funeral service and interment beside his wife in Calvary Cemetery be private. A Celebration of Remembrance for family and friends will be held at a future day and time at the American Legion at Sylvan Beach, Post #1153. In lieu of floral offerings, memorial contributions may be made to the American

Legion/Sylvan Beach Post 703 Clifford Ave, Sylvan Beach, NY 13157 or  
Abraham House in recognition of their outstanding work with families in need  
online at <http://theabrahamhouse.org/donations>.

Dad: To the world you are one person, but to me you are the world!

# Tribute Wall

CM

“ Cheryl and family so sorry about Miles he was a wonderful kind hearted man and my family and I have alot of fun memories - please know you are in our prayers -

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**Cheri moskal** - September 30, 2016 at 07:16 PM

DK

“ DEAR CHERYL, MIKE & FAMILY,  
Please accept our deepest sympathy and heartfelt prayers for the loss of your dad,  
Miles !!! I remember meeting him back in the mid-1980's when you Cheryl began to work for Hershey, If I am not mistaken it was at the homestead on Conkling Avenue.  
Keep all the goodness in your hearts !!! "May His Memory Be Eternal"  
With Our Prayers, Love Deacon Dan and Cindy Klockowski and Family

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**Deacon Daniel A Klockowski** - September 29, 2016 at 08:02 AM

BE

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to Cheryl and Mike during this difficult time. My parents have such wonderful memories of the "good times in the good old days" with Miles and Marilyn! I remember them well!!!! He will always be in your heart.

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**Beth Evans Elsenbeck** - September 28, 2016 at 10:28 AM

EC

“ *Eleanor Campbell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Miles R. "Dibs" Dibble*



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**eleanor campbell** - September 28, 2016 at 06:43 AM

EC

“ *TO THE FAMILY OF FRIENDS OF MILES.....REST IN PEACE, MY FRIEND. YOU, ALONG WITH YOUR LATE WIFE, MARILYN, WERE GOOD FRIENDS, TO ME AND MY LATE HUSBAND, DOUG, FOR MANY YEARS...I WILL BE REMEMBERING "THE GOOD TIMES".*

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**eleanor campbell** - September 27, 2016 at 03:18 PM

CW

“ *Chuck Walters lit a candle in memory of Mr. Miles R. "Dibs" Dibble*



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**Chuck walters** - September 27, 2016 at 08:38 AM

MI

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to Cheryl, Mike, Mikey and Cristina, as you celebrate the life of Miles. So many memories that will stay in your hearts forever.  
I can only imagine the greeting at the gates of Heaven when he arrived with his wonderful smile.  
Farewell Handsome.  
Rest in the arms of the Lord.



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**Michele** - September 26, 2016 at 01:21 PM

JD

Dear Mike, Cheryl and family ,  
We are very sorry to hear about the loss of your sister-in-law and father. They will be sadly missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Frank and Jean DiBrango

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**Jean DiBrango** - September 30, 2016 at 07:36 PM

TR

Dear Cheryl & Mike, so sorry for your loss. The memories remain of the good times on Taylor ave. & the Villa Restaurant. Marilyn & Miles were kind loving generous people and did so much to better the lives of my family. May they now rest in peace together. Cherish your memories of them and they will always be close. Terry Robinson

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**Theresa Robinson** - October 01, 2016 at 02:23 PM