



Mr. Rodger A. "Rog" Pape Sr.

July 9, 1939 - March 24, 2019

CLINTON - Mr. Rodger A. "Rog" Pape, Sr., age 79, went home to the Lord when he passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, March 24, 2019 in the comfort of his home.

Born in Utica on July 9, 1939, Rodger was the son of the late Henry and Clara (Snyder) Pape. He attended Utica Free Academy. Rodger was united in marriage with the former Christine Jakubowski on November 16, 2013. They found renewed love and companionship during their years together. He was previously married to the former Mary J. Moccaldi on May 14, 1966 until her passing on March 14, 2012, and from that union came the blessing of their two children.

Rodger was employed by Chicago Pneumatic as a Tool Maker and Foreman for the Tool Crib and Cutting Grind. He later held a position as Supervisor at the Munson Machinery Company. Lastly, he worked at the Mohawk Valley Psychiatric Center as a MVO. In retirement, Rog found a second home at the Inlet Golf Club where he worked in a number of capacities. It was "a dream come true".

Rodger was a humorist with his own unique style of ribbing others, and there was never a dull moment when you were in his company. He never looked his age because his stubborn streak kept his adrenaline flowing and his mind and body going. He had indelible stamina. Rog was a man of his word and was always on time. He was also a handyman and a helpful soul, ready to assist family, friends, neighbors, and anyone in need.

His children, grandchildren, and family were his first commitment and their wellbeing was paramount. When he cooked it was breakfast food and he was King of the Grill. He was great at woodworking, and precision in this craft was important to him. He loved dogs and trained his family pets. A sportsman from his youth, Rog played hockey, football, and baseball, and in later years, he coached his son's teams and other area youth sports. He was appointed the Softball Commissioner for District #8 of State of New York. He accrued a wealth of knowledge and experience that he utilized when he coached and officiated at hockey, baseball, soccer, softball, and volleyball competitions at area schools and youth associations. An avid, competitive golfer and a huge outdoorsman, he loved the North country and the Adirondacks, especially Inlet. He enjoyed boating, fishing, and hunting, and was an advocate for the conservation of nature. Myrtle Beach was his second love because he could spend winters on the golf course, visit with his daughter and Lisa, and enjoy dining out.

His Catholic faith was central to his life. As a member of the Kiwanis Club, he participated in local service projects to improve the lives of children and adults. He also volunteered at numerous local non-profits, especially The Root Farm, because he always had a place in his heart for those with special needs.

Rodger is survived by his wife, Christine; his daughter, Marianne T. Pape and Lisa "Weezie" Blindenhofer; his son and daughter-in-law, Rodger A., Jr. and Amy Pape; and his grandchildren to whom he was poppy, Noelle Sophia Pape, and Elise Violet Pape. He also leaves his in-laws, Joseph P. and Debra Moccaldi, Kathleen Moccaldi and Randy Naylor, and Jeffrey and Patty Jakubowski; nieces and nephews, Caitlyn/PA and Adam Graff, Rachel Moccaldi, and Brady Moccaldi who were loved as his own grandchildren, Sr. Marlene Pape/SSJ, and Mary Anne Sangiacomo/PA; his great nieces, Alana and Jennifer; and great-great-niece, Emma; his mother-in-law, Betty J. Jakubowski; and his beloved friends, Kevin Brady, Gary and Mary Rose Werner, Tom Slocum, Tim White, Mike Beck, and Doug Taffi, as well as those

who made their home at the Demmings Lakeside Park and Applewood Community (and those who played Bingo together), and the Turning Stone, and Vernon Downs buddies. He was predeceased by his parents, Henry and Clara (Snyder) Pape; sister, Marlene Ann Pape; brother and sister-in-law, Henry and Bessie Pape; and dear friend, Jeff Tucker.

The family extends their gratitude to the New Hartford Police and Edwards Ambulance who were phenomenal and so compassionate; and to special longtime friends Darcy and Tom Locke who were so comforting during this untimely passing.

Visitation will be held Friday from 5:00-7:30 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Rodger's funeral service and Celebration of life will commence on Friday evening at 7:30 at the funeral home immediately upon conclusion of visitation. In lieu of flowers, please consider a contribution to The Root Farm online at <https://www.rootfarm.org>; envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Interment will take place in Calvary Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

2407 Oneida Street
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 735-2727

Tribute Wall

AF

“ You will be missed. Your years of friendship from church, cub scouts to just hanging around and laughing.

AI & Peg Fariello, Vero Beach, FL - April 02, 2019 at 09:02 PM

AN

“ Marianna,

Sending my deepest, sincerest condolences. You are permanently in my prayers, but am lifting extra prayers for strength, comfort and peace for you and for your entire family.

*With all my Love,
Anna*

Anna - March 29, 2019 at 10:16 AM

SF

“ Rodger my “grumpy old man” a wonderful friend and great work buddy. The laughs and memories we had will forever be in my heart. You will be missed all ways always. Love Sheila

sheila fitzgerald - March 29, 2019 at 08:08 AM

FL

“ Rodger: My deepest sympathy and condolences to you and your family. I know that losing your father must be tough. Memories will get you through this. Fern Ladd

Fern D Ladd - March 28, 2019 at 11:44 AM

TC

“ Our deepest condolences to the family. We have so many wonderful memories playing golf with Rodger at local golf courses and at St Anne's church activities .He was an excellent golfer and a fun guy to be with and we'll be greatly missed!
Tony and Ellie Ciancio



Tony & Ellie Ciancio - March 28, 2019 at 06:18 AM

RM

“ Rodger and I shared many years together at Hughes School and UFA in Utica and renewed our friendship every Monday on the golf course in Inlet for many yrs. I will miss his sense of humor even though I bore the brunt of much of it. I was much older than Rodger-one day!! Susie and I miss Mary, have the deepest sympathy for Christine, as well as Rodger's children and grandchildren. We will miss Rodger very much. Bob and Susie Segaul

Robert Segaul, M.D. - March 27, 2019 at 08:56 PM

SG

“ Chris we are so sorry to hear about the passing of Roger. Our thoughts & prayers to you & the family.

Bob & Sue Giruzzi Jr.



sue c giruzzi - March 27, 2019 at 08:07 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mr. Rodger A. "Rog" Pape Sr..



March 27, 2019 at 02:30 PM



“ Jeff & Pattie Jakubowski and family. purchased the Simply Chic Mixed Plant Basket for the family of Mr. Rodger A. "Rog" Pape Sr..



Jeff & Pattie Jakubowski and family. - March 27, 2019 at 01:38 PM



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john diehl - March 27, 2019 at 11:13 AM

JD

“Christine, Rodger and Marianne,
My sincere sympathies for you loss of
Rodger. It was my privilege to know him since
our days at Chicago Pneumatic. We worked
together on many projects and bowled
together in the CP league where we were champions in 1978. More
recently we golfed together and enjoyed our monthly luncheons at
the NH Legion with other CP co-workers including Pat, Eddie,
Frank, Harry, Harold, Joe, Dick and John. He will be missed by all of
us.



My prayers and blessings are with all of you. God Bless You Rog!

John Diehl

john diehl - March 27, 2019 at 10:36 AM

MM

“Your camp family will certainly miss you. I will miss our talks about
soccer and especially our golf game. Your memories and stories will
always be with us. God Bless and comfort for your many families of
friends.

Mike, Becky, Leah and Eliza Marusic

Mike Marusic - March 27, 2019 at 09:13 AM

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“Deb & Moe Ordoqui sent a virtual gift in
memory of Mr. Rodger A. "Rog" Pape Sr.



Deb & Moe Ordoqui - March 26, 2019 at 08:23 PM

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“ *Sending Our Deepest Sympathies, Our Love, Light and Our Prayers to Comfort You All, in this most difficult time.*
Rest Peaceful Mr. Pape ❤️ 🕯️ 🙏 🕊️



? Deb & Moe Ordoqui - March 26, 2019 at 08:20 PM

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Deb & Moe Ordoqui

Deb & Moe Ordoqui - March 26, 2019 at 08:22 PM

KE

“ *The smell of his stogie will be for ever missed, along with his charming smile and friendly demeanor. Our deepest condolences.*
Rest easy Rodger.

Jim and Kelley Macisco

Kelley - March 26, 2019 at 04:15 PM

BB

“ *My condolences to the family and to Christine. I am so sorry for your loss.*

Brenda Pendrak Barrett - March 26, 2019 at 03:01 PM