



## Norman Robert Dubreuil

August 14, 1937 - October 17, 2015

Norman Robert Dubreuil born in 1937 in Torrington, CT was called peacefully into his heavenly home on October 17th at Duke University Medical Hospital in the wee hours surrounded in love with his family nearby.

“Stormin” Norman lived a full life of service and duty to humanity. A Torrington High graduate, he served in the US Air Force in Mapping & Charting after which he dominated the appliance business in Torrington, Connecticut for many years at Norm’s Appliance Center on Main Street and then Caldors. Norm was a keen civil servant and was active in the Planning and Zoning Committee in Torrington attending many meetings throughout his years. He loved politics and stumped for many going for the win.

Ever the entrepreneur, he also owned The Pool Store next to Friendly’s where his kids worked and hid out. He was a member of the Elks of Torrington and the Triangles, as well. Upon moving to Coral Springs, Florida in 1983 he continued in the appliance sector until 2011 when he retired to North Carolina.

But more importantly, Norm was a man of strong faith and compassion. He gave of himself in the best way possible by manning the kitchens in all of his parishes. He was a great cook and the kitchen was Norm’s man cave. He never met a spatula he didn’t like! Instrumental in keeping the food banks stocked and keen to hand out to those in need, he will be forever missed for

his Thanksgiving baskets/bags of groceries that fed many at St Elizabeth Ann Seton and Mary Help of Christians in Coral Springs where he was active in the food mission as well as in his Kairos prison ministry where for years he provided the much awaited for meals. He continued in his keen food ministry at St Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Church in Raeford, NC where he lastly lived and was also a member of the VFW.

Through his faith, charity and leadership, Norm became a Grand Knight in the Knights of Columbus after many years of service putting into practice the basic principal of Christianity...to love one another. His personal and private contributions to people and society were enormous over the course of his life. He touched many lives and many we may not even know of. The eve of his passing, Norm was thrilled to hear that the church fish fry fundraiser he had painstakingly organized for the 3rd year in a row had sold even more dinners than the two previous years! He was elated!

Son of Edmund Dubreuil and Rose Gervais, both originally of Canada, and brother to Gordon, Gus and Madeleine Dubreuil, and Eudore "Uncle Don" and Ernest Valliere, Norman is an angel now to his wife of 54 years, Patricia Ross Dubreuil and his 3 children, Michelle Dubreuil Macek in MD, James Dubreuil in NC and Stephen Dubreuil in CT. His beloved sister Lorraine Dubreuil (88) still lives in Torrington and also his nieces Karen, Linda, Darlene, Robin and nephew Edmund.

He and his amazing breakfasts will also be missed by his seven doting grandchildren, Erika Winspear, Nicolaus Dubreuil, Ashley Dickman, Ally Dubreuil, Sophia Macek, Eva Macek and Nathan Macek and step-grands Leyton and Logan, as well as all of their spouses and partners who loved him dearly.

Luckily, Norm gets to join his beloved son Richard who passed into heaven in

1987 and son Michael born prematurely in 1961. His family is so grateful for the love, support and memories shared with their Dad throughout the years. "I did my best" Norm said to Patti in his last hours. And his best was epic for us. Go in peace, Dad.

A full church service will be held at St Elizabeth of Hungary in Raeford, NC on Saturday October 24th at 11am after which there will be a potluck celebration requested by Norm, the king in the kitchen. Bring something to share!

In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations be made to his small parish in need St Elizabeth of Hungary PO Box 665 Raeford NC 28376.

# Tribute Wall



“ Norman Robert Dubreuil

October 09, 2023 at 04:46 AM



“ Norman Robert Dubreuil

October 08, 2023 at 11:29 AM



“ Norman Robert Dubreuil

October 05, 2023 at 02:31 PM



“ Norman and I graduated from St Francis in 1952 and the from Torrington High School in 1956. In the late 1960's and 1970's we were on a weekly radio program that discussed the town of Torrington, Ct.I will miss a real old friend.  
Tom Wall

Tom Wall - October 29, 2015 at 11:06 AM



Tom, my Dad talked of you fondly. Thanks for being his friend in life.  
Peace, Michelle

michelle - November 23, 2015 at 12:22 PM

PF

“ *peter bishop and family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Norman Robert Dubreuil.*



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**peter bishop and family** - October 24, 2015 at 09:53 PM

CS

“ *Patti and family...my thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time but I will always have such wonderful memories of you guys back in Torrington when the kids were young.*  
*Cheryl Samele*

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**Cheryl Samele** - October 23, 2015 at 10:21 PM

MI

*Thanks Cheryl. We did have fun!*

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**michelle** - November 23, 2015 at 12:27 PM

DS

“ *When I think about you Norman I will remember the meals you cooked for were every needed, the generous man you are, the kind heart you had for others, always helping before even being asked. When I'd call to speak to Patti you referred to her as your bride I always thought how sweet. You will be truly missed.*



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**Diana Santana** - October 23, 2015 at 09:59 PM

MI

*much love Sandy and Vic*

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**michelle** - November 23, 2015 at 12:27 PM

NH

“ To say we loved Norman is an understatement. If ever you needed his help there was never a question. To Patti, Jimmy, Steven and Michelle, your loss is so huge, but please know from all the Hemenway's you are in our hearts. Tom and Nancy and son's

Nancy Hemenway - October 23, 2015 at 07:15 PM

MI

*much love to the Hemenway Family, too.*

Michelle - November 23, 2015 at 12:27 PM

SD

“ Dad,

*Thank you for 47 years that I was able to spend with you. You were a great father and you were my hero.*

*I miss you*

stephen dubreuil - October 22, 2015 at 03:19 PM



Ashley Marie D

“ Ashley Marie D lit a candle in memory of Norman Robert Dubreuil

Ashley Marie D - October 22, 2015 at 02:39 PM



JR

“ *Patty, sorry to learn of his passing. Don't know if you remember me, but I remember both of you. I'll say a prayer for him and for you.*

*Joe Relva*

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**Joseph Relva** - October 21, 2015 at 09:17 AM

FK

“ *Famille Kaye lit a candle in memory of Norman Robert Dubreuil*



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**famille Kaye** - October 20, 2015 at 01:20 PM

MI

*merci <3*

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**michelle** - November 23, 2015 at 12:26 PM

MG

“ *Michelle Glazerman lit a candle in memory of Norman Robert Dubreuil*



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**Michelle Glazerman** - October 20, 2015 at 12:20 PM

MI

*thank you...*

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**michelle** - November 23, 2015 at 12:26 PM

JS

“ *RIP Norman, great guy and friend from Litchfield Street/Jackson Street, Southwest School area of Torrington.*



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**Joe Scarfo** - October 20, 2015 at 09:26 AM

 Rob Stango

“ *Beloved in Torrington... Living in our hearts forever!*

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**Rob Stango** - October 20, 2015 at 02:29 AM



“ *Sophia Macek lit a candle in memory of Norman Robert Dubreuil*



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**Sophia Macek** - October 19, 2015 at 07:34 PM

TO

“ *Every Holiday with you cooking away is a memory!! Always an unlocked door and a pot of coffee. Love, Tracy*



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**Tracy Oleson** - October 19, 2015 at 07:24 PM

MI

*He was king in the kitchen!!!*

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**michelle** - November 23, 2015 at 12:28 PM

DO

“ *DonnaMarie lit a candle in memory of Norman Robert Dubreuil*



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**DonnaMarie** - October 19, 2015 at 07:22 PM



*May this red candle, the color of charity, flown in the flags of the USA and Canada, send love and healing into the hearts of Mr.D's family, friends, and all those he fed with his gift of life.*

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**DMarie Fekete** - October 19, 2015 at 07:28 PM

GP

*You where truly a man of God that gave of yourself to help others. We'll always remember all the good meals waiting of us after the Kairos weekends which you made with so much love. Our thoughts & prayers go out to Patti & family.*

*R.I.P.*

*Gladys & Rafael Portalatin*

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**Gladys Portalatin** - October 22, 2015 at 10:07 AM