



Willetts H. Miles

August 22, 2022

MILES, Willetts H. "Bucky" passed away at home in New Milford, N.J. after a courageous 2½ year battle with cancer at age 90 on August 22, 2022. He was born in Manhattan, NY, on September 5, 1931, grew up in the Inwood section of that borough and attended Cardinal Hayes High School in the Bronx. Bucky was proud to be a Marine and was a distinguished veteran of the Korean War, honorably discharged when his service ended. After the Korean war, Bucky was a 3rd generation steamfitter where he was a terrific welder with Local Union 638 before eventually retiring as a steamfitter. A life-long NY Giant and NY Yankee fan, a 10-year-old Bucky was attending a home Giant game with his father when it was announced that Pearl Harbor had been attacked, igniting his fire to protect our country when he became age eligible. Bucky was a Giant season ticket holder from 1957 through this past season. His tail-gate parties before and after the football games were legendary as many attended to listen to and laugh with the fun-loving Bucky who invited in everyone and anyone who wanted to join the party. He loved his summers at the Jersey shore, and he participated in the New Milford community including coaching town youth football and being a life-long member of VFW Post 4290. Bucky is survived by his beloved wife Dolores Miles (nee Graham), and he is the adored father of Joan Miles, who can tell a considerable number of funny stories concerning the life and times of Bucky Miles. Bucky is also the stepfather of Debbie Boyle (nee Brown), Donna Telesca (nee Brown) and Richard Brown. He was pre-deceased by his first wife Joanne Miles (nee

Reilly). Willetts was also pre-deceased by his parents Willetts and Marie Veronica Miles (nee Adicks). He is the brother of Caroline (Bo) Mitchell (nee Miles) and the deceased Melville (Sissy) Kohlhase (nee Miles).

A fun-loving and fascinating storyteller, "Uncle" Bucky is cherished by his immediate family, his stepfamily, his nephews, nieces, and their children and a sizable number of friends, whether they be young or "experienced." Once you were a friend of Bucky, you were a friend for life.

Visiting hours will be Monday August 29, from 3:00-7:00 pm at Volk-Leber Funeral Home 268 Kinderkamack Rd., Oradell, N.J. A Funeral Mass will be held Tuesday, August 30, at 10:00 am in the Church of the Ascension, 256 Azalea Drive New Milford, NJ. Interment to follow at Woodlawn Cemetery, Webster Ave. and 233rd St., Bronx, N.Y. at approximately 12:15p.m. In lieu of flowers the family appreciates donations to the New Milford Board of Education- memo line Willetts Miles - address New Milford Public Schools c/o Stephanie Kuchar 145 Madison Ave. New Milford, N.J. 07646.

Cemetery Details

Woodlawn Cemetery

Webster Avenue & East 233rd Street
Bronx, NY 10470

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **29**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Oradell
268 Kinderkamack Rd.
Oradell, NJ 07649
(201) 261-1088
info@volkleber.com
<https://www.volkleber.com>

Funeral Mass

AUG **30**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Church of the Ascension
256 Azalea Drive
New Milford, NJ 07646
(201) 836-8961
<http://churchoftheascension.com/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Volk Leber Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Willetts H. Miles*



Volk Leber Funeral Home - August 29, 2022 at 01:13 PM



“ *Willetts H. Miles*

October 08, 2023 at 09:59 PM



“ *Willetts H. Miles*

October 08, 2023 at 06:27 PM



“ *Willetts H. Miles*

August 30, 2022 at 02:48 PM



“ 87 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Volk Leber Funeral Home - August 29, 2022 at 01:03 PM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray* was purchased for the family of Willetts H. Miles.



August 27, 2022 at 11:18 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Willetts H. Miles.



August 27, 2022 at 08:48 AM

JM

“ *Bucky was one of a kind. His story reminds us of wonderful times. Delores and I hope you and your family have comfort that he is now in the arms of the Lord.*
John and Eve Mooney

John Mooney - August 26, 2022 at 09:11 PM

DE

The life long Giants fans, Bucky and Joan, allowed me the honor to attend my first Super Bowl game when the Giants won over the Pats in Indy. Will never forget how Bucky's love for the Giants just about converted me! Rest in peace and with a lot of Big Blue joy! Denise

Denise - August 28, 2022 at 12:14 AM

MP

“ *Mike & Mary Parizino purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of Willetts H. Miles.*



Mike & Mary Parizino - August 26, 2022 at 01:34 PM



“ *Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Willetts H. Miles.*



August 26, 2022 at 11:49 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of Willetts H. Miles.



August 25, 2022 at 04:35 PM



“ *Serene Retreat* was purchased for the family of Willetts H. Miles.



August 25, 2022 at 10:30 AM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Willetts H. Miles.



August 25, 2022 at 09:35 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Willetts H. Miles.



August 25, 2022 at 07:50 AM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Willetts H. Miles.*



August 24, 2022 at 09:52 PM



“ *Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of Willetts H. Miles.*



August 24, 2022 at 03:52 PM



“ *Debbie Hughes & Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Willetts H. Miles.*



Debbie Hughes & Family - August 24, 2022 at 12:47 PM



“ *When you were lucky enough to be a friend, there was nothing Bucky wouldn't do for you. Every moment in his presence was a delightful gift. A kind and gentle man who will be sorely missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with Dolores, Joanie, and the rest of the family, especially those who were there for him during these recent years.*

Pam and Linda

Pam and Linda - August 24, 2022 at 11:56 AM