



Frank B. Checksfield

April 17, 1922 - January 24, 2008

Frank B. Checksfield, 85, formerly of The Nottingham in Jamesville, New York died Thursday, January 24, 2008 at Loretto in Syracuse, New York surrounded by his loving children.

Frank was born April 17, 1922 in Syracuse, New York, the son of the late Albert Edward and Edna Mae (Emmons) Checksfield. He was a graduate of Eastwood High School and he proudly served in the Navy during World War II. He retired from Bausch & Lomb in Rochester, New York as a Contact Lens Technician in the Research & Development Department and was previously employed by Dr. Jerome Weiss and American Continental Can Company.

He was a member of Pebble Hill Presbyterian Church and was very active in church life all throughout his life, serving as an Elder and Sunday School Teacher/Superintendent. He loved bowling, photography, gardening, wood working, fishing, SU sports and was an avid NY Yankee fan. Frank was a good steward of this earth and was a gentle and kind soul. He was an amazing husband, father, grandfather, uncle and friend; family always came first.

Frank was predeceased by the love of his life, his wife of 53 years, Betty Jane Frank Checksfield. He was also predeceased by his brother and sisters, Albert Checksfield, Edna Majesky and Norma Andrianos.

He is survived by his two daughters, Joyce (Loren Arnaboldi) Checksfield of Grahamsville, New York and Brenda (Chip) McCutcheon of Tully, New York; son, Gary (Debora) Checksfield of Brooktondale, New York; grandson, Caleb R. Checksfield; granddaughters, Kylie N. Checksfield, Larissa K. Arnaboldi and Gillian F. Arnaboldi; numerous nieces and nephews.

A funeral service will be held Monday, January 28, 2008, 12:00 noon in Pebble Hill Presbyterian Church, 5299 Jamesville Road, Dewitt, New York with Rev. Dr. Peter Shidemantle officiating. Immediately following the service, a reception will be held in the church atrium. Burial with military honors will be in White Chapel Memory Gardens, Dewitt.

Contributions may be made to Pebble Hill Presbyterian Church, 5299 Jamesville Road, Dewitt, New York 13214 or to Fahey Rehabilitation @ Loretto, 700 E. Brighton Avenue, Syracuse, New York 13205.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Frank B. Checksfield*



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“ *I came to know Mr. Checksfield through my cherished friendship with his daughter Brenda. We had so many commonalities in our families. One of those being my Mother named Betty, I'm Betty and his beloved wife Betty. Every time I'd see Frank the moment you mentioned the name Betty it brought such a beautiful smile and sparkle in his blue eyes. It reminded so so much of the love my own Father had for my Mother. It was such a pleasure for me to bring him my apple pie (close Brenda said to her Mother's a?" I hope so) and those molasses cookies with the thumb print of jam that my Mom makes (and Brenda and her Dad remembered their beloved Betty making the exact same cookie). It has been a long struggle this past year and although I truly know the pain and loss you all feel, I know that with the faith you all have, and his; he is smiling his heartwarming smile and his eyes are sparkling as he walks with his beloved wife he has wanted so long to be with. He reminded me in so many ways of my own Father and I thank you so much for sharing him with me for a while.*

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“ God bless Uncle Frank's family during this difficult time. I'm the one who started the Uncle Binkie thing and I'm darned proud of it. I couldn't say Uncle Frank, thus the nickname and it stuck. I hope wonderful memories of happy times will see you through this sadness. We certainly have a lot of happy memories of family times. With love and sincere sympathy, Karen and Chuck

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“ We remember Uncle Frank as a kind man who loved to spend time with us. We miss him. All our Love, Tom, Gabriela & Zoe Ladd

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“ I am so sorry for you all to lose your Dad. He was one of the nicest men; he always had a joke or story or trick. He made it worthwhile to come to Sunday school. I am now the head of Sunday School and try to do the things that he showed me. May he rest in peace with your Mom. And may God give you special peace at this difficult time. In sympathy and prayer

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“ I remember when we would all go to our grandparents house Sunday after church for dinner. Going camping with Uncle Frank, Aunt Betty and Brenda- my first time kayaking. Uncle Frank always had a smile on his face and a kind word. He will be truly missed. Rest in Peace, Uncle Frank. Love, Jan

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“ Dear Ones, I just wanted to express my sympathy to you in the loss of Dad/Grandpa. I met your Dad and Mom at Dad's parent's home in East Syracuse when I visited there with Aunt "Eddie" when we were college classmates at Oswego State Teacher's College, 1946-1950 - a long time ago. We were in the same classes all 4 years and became very close friends, often visiting each other's homes on weekends. I lived in Oswego Center, just 2 miles from the college. AuntEddie played the organ for my wedding. I also knew Uncle Ted and Norma, as well as Grandma and Grandpa. Wonderfulfolks. Again, my sympathy.Sincerely, Louise (Cooper)Kellogg, Hannibal, NY.

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“ I will always love grandpa. He was my godmothers dad and to me he was my grandpa. When ever I walked into his room and he saw me he would have a big smile on his face. God take care of him for now he is in a better place. Love you and thanks for loving me

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“ I just want to say ""thank you Uncle Frank"". When I was a little girl,my parents divorced.Uncle Frank you were always there for me.You were my rock.I know I have been gone for many years,but you and Aunt Betty,Joyce,Bren, and Gary were always in my thoughts and prayers.

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“ Frank was one of the most caring and generous men I knew. He would always take the time to talk with you. His gardens were wonderful. Tom enjoyed taling about all cars. Betty and Frank were like parents to us when they lived in Danby. Frank would share his LP collection of singers from the 40s, Janet loved it. Bett's birthday was the same as my mom's so I would always think of her on that day. Frank and Betty shared a great love for Christ and are now together in heaven. They will always be in our memories.

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“ We knew Frank through the love, kindness, and devotion he showed his children. They are amazing people that we are more blessed for knowing. In days of yore the sailors used the stars to guide their way safely home. Frank has found his way among the stars, may you all share in the comfort of his company each evening when you look to the sky.

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“ We remember Frank and Betty as good neighbors and friends at Danby Federated Church when they lived on Comfort Road in Ithaca. They were always an inspiration as to the right way to live life. We've missed them both. Our prayers are with your family.

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“ I did not know Frank personally, But did know his through his daughter Brenda. One can know the love and caring of a person and not met them. It is shown in that of their children. The love and care he shoed them is reflected in them and by them. God's peace and strength be with each person that knew Frank, as they remember and grieve his loss.

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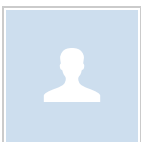
“ Going to work will never be the same again. Every morning I would stop in to say good morning and help Frank with breakfast, he would look up at me and say ""your back again"" with such a big smile. Always eating his jelly doughnut, so from now on whenever I eat a jelly doughnut I will think of Frank. Also, thanks for loving Adriana, she loved you so much.

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“ Uncle Frank (Binkey) was always a very kind and loving man. He always welcomed us with open arms and was always very glad to see us. Now he is with Aunt Betty and my Mom and Dad in heaven. We had some real happy times when we were kids at Aunt Betty and Uncle Frank's house. Our deepest sympathy to you all at this time. God Bless you. Ellen

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“ I will always remember Frank as a great church school teacher, youth leader and friend. My sympathies to Brenda, Joyce and Gary. God Bkes You All

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“ I knew Frank for only a short time, but felt as though it was forever. Always with a smile and a gentle presnce Frank would greet you any time you went to see him. Who he was and what he believed was always seen through his children.As I walk through this life Frank will always be with me and I hope and pray that one day who I am and was will be seen through the eyes of my children through unconditional love and faith as it was seen and is lived through the eyes f his children. Until we meet again Frank God's speed.

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“ Thank you for opening your home and family to me that Thanksgiving day, 14 years ago. I will always have fond and loving memories. Thank you for the times we visited and shared our love of our dogs and song. You have a special place in my heart. Love, Digger

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“ It was wonderful to get to know Frank (I always called him Mr. Checksfield) these past few months at Loretto. It was easy to see what a light he has been in the lives of his family and what a blessing he is now in the heavenly realms with his beloved Betty Jane. My thoughts and prayers are with you all at this time. Thank you for sharing your Dad with me!

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