



John "Mr. C" Cuipylo

May 3, 1925 - February 23, 2012

John Cuipylo May 3, 1925 - February 23, 2012 John Mr. C Cuipylo, 86, of Fabius, New York, formerly of LaFayette, New York, passed away Thursday, February 23, 2012 at his home with his family at his side. Mr. C retired from LaFayette Central Schools in 1988 following 38 years of service as a teacher. A Class of 1950 graduate of Cortland State College, he was listed in Whos Who in Colleges and Universities. He was a communicant of St. Josephs Church in LaFayette, New York and later attended The Church of the Nativity at Immaculate Conception in Pompey, New York. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus Council #9284 and was a former member of the LaFayette Fire Department. Mr. C. was a founding member of the Senior Citizen Club of LaFayette and a co-sponsor of Marquis DeLaFayette Yorkers Junior & Senior Club for 18 years with Mrs. Ruth Bush. He was a U.S. Army Air Corp veteran serving in WWII. He was predeceased by his wife, Edith in 1992; son, Eric J. Cuipylo in 2000 and brother, Nicholas Cuipylo in 2000. Surviving are four daughters, Karen A. (John Alba) Cuipylo, Donna M. (Tim) Cuipylo-Watkins, Janet L. Cuipylo and Julie A. (Ron) Wheatley; two sons, Stephen O. (Teresa) Cuipylo and Brian N. Cuipylo; 12 grandchildren, one great-grandson, several nieces and nephews and a huge extended family. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Monday, 10 am in Church of the Nativity at Immaculate Conception, 7386 Academy Street, Pompey, New York 13138 with Military Honors. Spring burial will be in Immaculate Conception Cemetery, Cemetery Road, Pompey, New York. Calling hours will be held

Sunday, 1 to 4 pm at Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home, 2584 Field Lane, LaFayette, New York 13084. Contributions may be made to Make-A-Wish Foundation of CNY, 5005 Campuswood Drive, East Syracuse, NY 13057 or Fabius Volunteer Fire Dept., 7825 Main Street, Fabius, NY 13063

Tribute Wall



“ *Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of John "Mr. C" Cuipyo*



Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home - February 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Was so sorry to hear about your dad's passing. I have fond memories of him- not only as a teacher but as a neighbor - I always loved that smile . . . He was a special guy! May he rest in peace with your mom and Rick and all the other heavenly angels!*

March 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ To the entire Cuipylo family, you have my wholehearted deepest condolences.

Mr. Cuipylo was and still is one of the most memorable Teachers I have ever been blessed to have known. He will remain in my heart always. I have never forgotten being in His classroom trying to learn one of the most valuable of all subjects-Math. He was strict sometimes but I knew that meant He Cared. So I tried to learn the best I could but when I did not understand, He was There to help me learn and I did learn! He was There to give me and all his students the greatest gift He had as a Teacher-His passion for education. I loved and respected Him just as so many others have. It is wonderful His legacy will live on in your hearts and those that knew Him well. My prayers for peace and love are with all of you.

March 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ To the entire Cuipylo Family, memories fade away sometimes, but not of Mr. "C". Seventh and Eight grades would NOT have been the same without him. These years are formative years, and he had a positive impact on the importance of learning and achievement. Rest in Peace, Mr. "C" and thank you for your guidance.

February 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Teresa, Steve and Cory ~

So sorry for you loss. Keep your memories close and share them often! My thoughts and prayers go out to you.

February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ My deepest sympathies to all the family for your loss and our loss in the passing of your father. He was a great influence in my life at LCS. Please know that my prayers are with you all. I'm sorry I couldn't make it to the calling hours to catch up with Donna after all these years.

Georgia Wood Phipps

February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Karen, I'm very sorry for your loss. Although I don't believe I ever met your father, he sounds like he was certainly one of the Greatest Generation and I'm sure he will be sorely missed. As a member of the Crozier Council of the K of C I will also mourn the passing of a brother Knight.

Again, you are in our thoughts as we now all pass into being the oldest generation. With love, Christine and Bob Terwilliger

February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ To the entire Cuipylo family,

I was so sorry to hear of your and our loss this week. The years pass by so quickly and it seems as though it was only yesterday that John was teaching us Mathematics in the 8th grade, leading a Yorker's Club outing with Mrs. Bush, leading us lucky junior class members through the Driver's Education course that hot summer of 1969 - so many memories. Of course, John was also a neighbor and a good one and that will always be remembered, too. Please accept my condolences from across the miles.

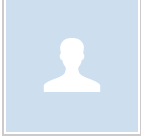
Greg Palmer

February 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Although it has been many years since your Dad and I worked together at LaFayette, I remember him as open and gracious. He willingly accepted my special needs students without question or reservation. As well he would drop in my room when he was free to assist my students in math or to keep my skills up to date. His retirement left a gap and his passing does as well. Hold to your memories, for his family was everything to him.*

February 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ We extend our sincerest sympathies to the Cuipylo family. Mr. Cuipylo was a dear, dear man, well respected in the community and by his students at school, who never, ever wanted to make him mad. I will never forget his kindness and concern when my father, Jim Schoonmaker, was so ill. In 1960, before the days of ambulances, when Dad needed to get to the VA for an appointment, Mr. Cuipylo came to my grandfather Charlie Barton's house on Route 11 in his station wagon, and carried my 6'3" father out to the car where he laid him gently in the back. How he managed it I do not know, as Mr. C was not a big man. He drove him into Syracuse for treatment and then back, and carried him into the house. I never knew this story until my mother related it to me nearly fifty years after the fact, when I mentioned Mr. Cuipylo's name in conversation. She got teary-eyed this morning when I again mentioned his name. This was undoubtedly only one of the hundreds of selfless things he did for so many people in the LaFayette area. He will be sorely missed by his students, his family and his friends. Our hearts go out to the Cuipylo family, and the greater LaFayette community at his loss. He was truly a great man.

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“ Steve and the entire Cuipylo family

My most sincere condolences to you and your family.

Its funny that when we we talk to someone we know from LaFayette that Mr Cuipylo's name comes up. He did make a lasting impression on so many people. The ole yard stick...or was it a meter stick.....yeh.....i had a taste of it.

Let me know if you need anything

Michael Bush

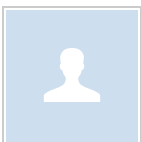
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“ Karen and the Cuipylo family,

I am so sorry. I know your father will be missed very much. Please take care.

February 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Karen and the Cuipylo family,

*Althought I never had the opportunity to meet your Dad, the pictures of him (and stories) that Karen shared with me at work spoke loudly. His smiles were so evident of his genuine caring for others and enjoyment of living life to its fullest. Hopefully fond memories will help
to ease your feelings of loss at this time.*

February 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Family,
I was saddened to hear of your and our collective loss. Mr C. was always a "force of nature" any place where he was. I remember when my knuckles were slapped in math class. (Just a few times.) I went on to become a math teacher later after schooling and he was always an inspiration to me. I enjoyed many wonderful times with all of you. I still think of Rick. Often. My best wishes to you and yours also.

Charlie Wood

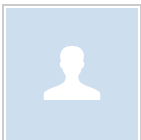
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“ Karen and family,

Being a classmate and friend of Rick`s and having the privelege, although I did not fully recognize it at the time, of being a student of your dad's helped me see his his strict side but, more importantly, his caring side too. I fondly remember them both and hope you know how many people your dad touched. Sincere condolences.

February 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ To the Family:

I was very blessed to have been taught by Mr. C. He was an amazing man and my respect for him will continue on. You should be very proud to have had him in your lives. My sympathy to all of you. God bless him..

Theresa

February 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Karen and the Cuipylo family,
I am so sorry for the loss of your dad. I never met him, but always
enjoyed the stories Karen told at work about him. I know how much
he meant to your entire family. May he now rest in peace.

February 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ My condolences to Mr. CJ's family a wonderful person . He was my
seventh grade teacher He had an impact on my years at Lafayette .
Forever grateful for his guidance . Funny was just thinking of him
yesterday as I often do . Wondering how he was doing ,when I drive
by the old homestead on 20 makes me think of him . then I saw this
on fb R.I.P.

February 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Karen and children,

I join with so many others who have held you and your father in their high regard in hoping to express my empathy to you during this holy and awesome time as you experience this temporary parting. There truly is "a time and season for everything under heaven." It seems in times of the sadness we experience over the passing of a parent from us children still here on earth that we are accompanied by a season of such serious, and even new import, of thought over their lives, our own and the shared love, its wisdom and eternity.

What Brian shared was most poignant to me as I think of you, Karen, and your younger siblings, your comfort in this sorrow...the still forming hearts of the remainder who gather around you. It comes to mind what is written in Psalm 127:3-5. "Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb a reward. Like arrows in the hand of a warrior are the children of one's youth. Blessed is the man who fills his quiver with them!" Your father, and mother, were surely blessed! My prayers will be for you and yours to find their true continuing mark, in comfort from above, and as arrows still going forth from the quiver of a true warrior.

February 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ RIP Mr. C. My fondest memories are of all the fun we had in Yorker club. The don't make teachers like him any more. Prayers for all of those who loved him.

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“ Karen, Donna, and family,
Your father was my homeroom teacher when I first went to the high school as a 7th grader and he was a force to be reckoned with, making us toe the mark, but a great guy, who was active in so much of the life of the community. He was one of the pillars of the school and he'll be missed.

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“ Mr. C was a kind man with a big heart. I am thankful to have known him for many years. My thoughts are with the family at this sad time. Our loss is heavens gain. You will be missed!

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“ My sympathies to all of the Cuipylos at this sad time. I will always remember "Dad" as a kind and thoughtful man. Being in his math class and his homeroom are experiences I will never forget. For Jan, you know I'm here...love ya!

February 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ My Sincere condolences to the entire Cuipylo family.

Mr. Cuipylo was one of my favorite teachers. Yardstick in hand, he taught sooo much more than math. May your memories of him bring you peace at this time!! Rest in Peace "Mr. C".

February 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Condolences to the Cuipylo family. Mr. Cuipylo looms large in the wonderful childhood memories of LaFayette. A great man has past on to his Maker. Rest in peace.*

Bob Mondore

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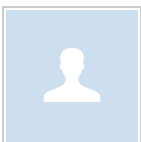
“ *To the entire Cuipylo Family:
It was an honor and privilege not only to know,
but to care for this marvelous man.
He was a joy to everyone.
May it comfort you to know how loved he was.*

February 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *My Sincere condolences to the entire Cuipylo family.
I have many fond memories of learning math in Mr. Cuipylo classroom. With yard stick in hand, no matter how difficult a child you were or thought you were; when you entered that classroom door, you were his! He demanded full attention because he wanted you to learn. He taught me the fundamentals of math that I still practice today. And yes, the yard stick and I met a few times, I'm a better person for it! Thank you Mr. Cuiyplo.*

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“ *Brian, Jan, Steve and all the Cuipylos, I am sorry to hear of your dad's passing. Mr. C was legendary and I hope memories of him will comfort you as you say goodbye. God bless.*

February 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ To the Cuipylo family,
We wish to extend our deepest sympathy
with the passing of your Dad, such a great person.

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“ To all who knew Mr. Cuipylo.
I have the utmost respect for him. I visited Mr. Cuipylo a few years
ago. He impressed me then as much as he did when I was in 7th
grade. Other than my own parents, he was the largest positive
influence in my life. My warmest sympathy to his family. Wish I
could have known more of him.

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“ To "Mr." Cuipylo's entire family: He taught us to respect ourselves,
Him, and the State we came from. I will always remember him and
Mrs. bush for their work in the Yorker Club. I thank and respect him
as one of the most memorable teachers of my school days. I always
felt the need to still call him "Mr. Cuipylo" but it was always a
pleasure to see him in later years because of the fun memories that
he was apart of in my life. RIP "John"

February 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ My most sincere condolences to the Cuipylos and the citizens of
LaFayette. Mr. Cuipylo was a great teacher, leader and mentor and
will be dearly missed. He was one of my favorite teachers, and is a
brother Soldier who heped make our nation and Army's history.
GodSpeed Mr. C!!

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“ Jan & Family,
*Everyone that knew your Dad was touched. He truly cared about everyone of his students, loved and respected by all...He taught my oldest sister and on to my nephews...generations of making a difference in all our lives...
The angels sing with another voice! God Bless and help you find comfort!*

February 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Cuipylo Family,

Very sorry for your loss. Your father was a wonderful man. I will always remember him for his classroom rules and unique personality. He has touched so many people through his teaching. It always made me happy when I would run into him in the store or library. How lucky he was to have his children and grandchildren with him throughout the years. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Marianne

February 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ To Janet and the whole Cuipylo family,
Your dad was truly one of a kind. He was an "old school" teacher who commanded the respect and love of several generations of LaFayette graduates. I never had him for a teacher, but was fortunate to be able to teach with him for several years. I loved seeing him at a few of the retired teachers' lunches in the past few years. He was always proud of his wife, his children, his heritage, and his country. He was also a friend of my grandparents, and helped my father when he was in his last months. When I thought of John this morning, I knew that he would be overjoyed to be reunited with his beloved Edie.
Peace to you all. You are in my prayers,
Dody Torrey

February 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Deepest sympathy to your entire family. Mr C was a very strict yet VERY loving teacher, he was definitely a man of his word. I remember once in math class he threatened that if I chewed gum one more time in class I would wear it on my nose and he meant it. I never did it again after that. His contagious laugh and his words of wisdom will be with us all in our hearts when we think of Mr Cuipylo. Rest in peace sir.

February 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ To the entire Cuipylo family
We are so sorry for your loss.He was a great Man.. Kind and caring and a great teacher.he is with God now R.I.P. Mr C

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“ *"Neighbors" -*

So sad to hear of Mr. C's passing. We feel blessed to have so many wonderful memories of your family and living on the hill. He was a caring, generous, thoughtful gentleman..and a wonderful neighbor! He will be missed by all who knew him.

May your memories heal and comfort your hearts, know that he is with you always.

*With Heartfelt Sympathy and Love,
Lori, Fred and Kelseigh (little Miss Neighbor)*

February 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Jan and Family,*

I was truly blessed to have known your amazing Dad He was such a joy to have as a teacher I did learn in a fun way I will never forget his RULER....LOL It did make me pay attention for sure !!!!!

Your family is truly blessed by the family and memories that you have Keep them close to your heart and he will forever be with you.

May he fly on the wings of angels forever.

My heart,Love and Prayers are with you all

Dawn

God Speed Mr.C

February 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mr. Cuipylo, you will be sorely missed! You were truly a member of the "Greatest Generation" in every sense.*

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“ *Sincere condolences to the Cuipylo Family,*

Mr Cuipylo was a wonderful man and teacher! Always remember walking in to his classroom with his ruler in hand. I always got a pat on the head accompanied with a smile. John on the other hand probably got the ruler! He has touch so many lives and will truly be missed!

Sincerely,

John & Lisa Abbey

February 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *My deepest sympathies to all of his family for your loss.*

Mr. John Cuipylo was a wonderful man and the kind of teacher who doesn't come along every day. He was the kind of teacher that you really can learn from, no matter where you start. And the kind of teacher that you can look up to as a model of behavior. As well, the kind of teacher that you want to emulate when you grow up. How could any math student ever forget his love, respect and lessons on life?

RIP and thank you so much for your service to America.

February 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *The Officers and Members of the Mattydale Fire Department join in extending Heartfelt Sympathy to you and your family at this Time of Sorrow.*

February 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *I met John as a substitute nurse at Lafayette and even after he retired I would run into him at the post office or wherever and he always had a smile and greeting for me. What a nice man! My sincere condolences to his family. He will be remembered with fond memories. Sincerely, Mary (Stevenson) Stimson, Ocala, FL*

February 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Julie, Brian and Karen,*

You all came into my life and showed me the true meaning of family. I define family as someone who loves you and someone who is there for you no matter what. It is also a group of people who share laughter, sadness, tragedy, victory, loss, reret, happiness and success together which we have shared. Dad opened his heart to my family and I and will forever be in ours. I love you all and will miss Dad everyday but I know he is in a better place. You all know I am here for you if you need anything!!

February 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ We send our heartfelt condolences to the family. Mr. Cuipylo touched my whole family, from Dick and I to all our children. He was a friend to all. He passed down his wonderful way with people to his children to carry on.

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“ To Jan and family we are sorry for your loss. May your father rest in peace.

Bob and Sue

February 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Steve,
My heart goes out to you. I am so sorry for your loss. I remember coming over with the boys and talking to your dad. He was an interesting man and always tried to keep me on my toes. Anything please let me know.

Lisa

February 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *My sincere sympathies to family and friends of Mr. C. May the Lord bless you with comfort and give you strength through this difficult time.*

Mr. Cuipylo... Fond memories of your class, your stern but helpful teaching style, and your unique personality really gave me a great example of a male adult figure to respect and look up to. It's funny, when I sometimes think about my middle school years, your face always comes to my mind and a smile always comes to my face. Rest in peace Mr. C.

February 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Donna and family,
I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your father. I remember many times meeting you at your house before we would go out and your father greeting me. I remember one time that I tried to back my car out of your driveway only to drive up on the bank and almost tipped it over!! Your Dad came out, got in the car, (thought I was an idiot I'm sure!!) and backed it off the bank and gave me some sage advice...however, never made me feel bad about it!!
I wish you and your family comfort in your loss and blessings in the memories that you all had of the great and (not so great times) together. He was a good man and will be with you forever in your hearts. Love, Lori*

February 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ To the entire Cuipylo family:

I am so sorry for your loss. Your dad was the first teacher that I met when I started at LaFayette and I learned more from him than from three years of education courses. His room was next to mine and I spent time talking with John during our planning time. He gave me some sage advise. Since retirement I have looked foward to seeing him at our lunches. John will be greatly missed by Lois and me. You and he are in our prayers.

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“ We only met Mr. C. once but remember him as a great father and grandfather. I am sure his family will miss him greatly. Our sympathy to all.

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“ To the Cuipylo Family,
John and my dad Frank Italiano were childhood friends who maintained their friendship throughout the years. he would come to visit mom and dad and kept all who were there entertained with stories of his family. he was so proud of all his children and grandchildren. he was a very kind and true gentleman! Our condolences to you all at this very difficult time. fondly, Jo Italiano and Rita Grover

February 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Karen, Donna, Janet, Steve, and Julie,
If you must cry, only cry for us. I prefer to celebrate Dad's life by knowing he has made an impact on so many lives besides ours. A proud Vet and respected educator. A friend to many, his door and heart was always open. A loving Father, not only to us but to many many more. I love you Dad and always will. Be at peace with Mom and Rick and save a place for us in God's Kingdom.
Brian

February 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Jan ,Julie, Steve, Brian, Donna , & Karen Iam so sorry fo your loss ,I was so lucky to have had your Dad as my teacher he was the only one who could get me to do math ,as I have told many teachers at LaFayette your Dad was a wonderful teacher who could teach any student anything . Thank you for sharing him with us. Love to you all
Gayle

February 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ To the entire Cuipylo family: Your Dad was an amazing man that left a great impact on my life. He was adored by many and touched so many peoples lives. You should be very proud. You are all in my prayers.

Bernadette Maher

February 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Jan and family, my thoughts and prayers are with you at this most difficult time. May you find comfort in knowing your Dad's soul is at peace and his spirit free. Kelly*

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