



William R. Dean

September 23, 1935 - November 23, 2003

William R. Dean, 68 of Camillus, New York died Sunday, November 23, 2003 at Crouse Hospital, Syracuse, New York.

William was born September 23, 1935 in Corning, New York. He was a graduate of Nottingham High School Class of 1953. He retired from Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Florida in Jacksonville, Florida after eight years of service as a systems analyst. He was previously employed by Alcan in Oswego, New York and Agway Corporation in Syracuse, New York. He was a communicant of St. James Church, a member of the Syracuse Jaycees, member and past president of the Oswego Jaycees and former president of the Hot Stove Association of Oswego. He was an avid bowler.

William was preceded in death by his mother, Lois Maines in 1982 and his sister, Lucy Heckle on July 3, 2003.

Surviving are his wife of 48 years, Dorothy Warboy Dean; son and daughter-in-law, David M. and Terri Lee Dean of Camillus, New York; son, James W. Dean of Syracuse, New York; four daughters and their husbands, Susan L. and Kenneth Motyka of Westvale, New York, Deborah J. and Frank Cullen of Syracuse, New York, Amy E. and Gary Landers of Fairport, New York, Karen A. and Thomas Belge of Syracuse, New York; brother, Charles M. Dean of Marcellus, New York; 15 grandchildren.

Services: Wednesday, November 26, 2003, 10:30 a.m. at Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home, Inc., Syracuse and 11:00 a.m. in St. James Church, 4845 S. Salina Street, Syracuse where a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated by Father Daniel J. O'Hara.

Burial: Onondaga Valley Cemetery, 2500 Valley Drive, Syracuse, New York.

Calling Hours: Tuesday, November 25, 2003, 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. at Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home, Inc., 4612 S. Salina Street, Syracuse, New York, 13205.

Contributions: American Diabetes Association 356 N. Midler Avenue, Syracuse, New York, 13206.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of William R. Dean*



Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home - November 23, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ *still to this day i come on here.. not that you don't know this.. but things are roguh right now.. i need you.. i need you to help mom she knows what she has to do just help her, guide her.. please :(i love you and i miss you so much.. restinpeace gramps*

March 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Hey grampa i was thinking of you today as I was getting dressed because i saw a ring that mommy found in your drawers at home and I was wearing it for a minute and was trying to think of your voice but ll couldnt hear it! Its like you are really gone now because it is getting harder and harder to hear your voice and no matter how much I want to cry right now i cant because nicole is right here and i have to be brave for her and for jeff and mom and dad!!! We all miss you and when my birthday came around i was acting like i was having fun but i really wasnt i miss you soooooooooooooo much and all i could think was i wish grampa were here to see me open this or do this or to see me become a preteen!!! Then i realized you are always watching me, That is why i always feel like when i walk home someone is following me but today i realized it was you the whole time!!! You know what I love you soo much it kills me that you are not here and now the holidays are coming up and it is so hard on us and grandma especcially so please help us get through all of this please!!! love you like no one else in the worldErikaR.I.P

October 28, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Hey grampa I love you!!!

November 13, 2004 at 12:00 AM



“ grandpa I miss you so much!!!Now i am sitting here listening to my all time favorite song because it reminds me of you!!!! I want to see you so bad because now I feel like everything i do is wrong!!! Love you lots and rest peacefully Erika

April 09, 2004 at 12:00 AM



“ DAD, IT ISN'T GETTING ANY EASIER! SPRING AND ALL IT REPRESENTS, REMINDS ME OF YOU AND ALL YOU LOVE. AS YOU KNOW, I TOO HAVE ALWAYS LOVED TO CLEAN UP AND DIG IN THE DIRT. I ASSURE YOU, I WILL KEEP BUSY FOR THE TWO OF US. WITH PLEASURE, DAD, YOU CAN COUNT ON BEAUTY OVER WHERE YOU LAY, IT WILL BE EVER MORE PEACEFUL WITH COLOR SURROUNDING. I SO MISS YOU AND DO WONDER WHERE YOU ARE EACH DAY..I FEEL YOU ARE NEAR, YOUR FACE IS ALWAYS A PICTURE IN MY HEAD. GUIDE MY BOYS AND KEEP THEM SAFE. I'LL LOVE YOU FOR ALWAYS...

March 22, 2004 at 12:00 AM



“ As the time goes by I had a notion that this pain would go away.However, quite the contrary! I miss you so!!! I just want to be sure that you know I think of you always;I wish you were here. If only you could see my house, you'd be so proud!!! Other than the paint jobs, not so good. Please know that we all miss you like crazy! I hope you feel safe, and are happy, and I hope that grandma knows I miss her too. Please keep us safe and warm, I miss you and I will always love you!! Karen

March 17, 2004 at 12:00 AM



“ I havent looked at this in a while...and your still here!! Well Dad...I MISS YOU. I am having a rough time...guess i'm not so strong am i. I cant seem to sleep without seeing!!! My god i cant breath without seeing you. You are so missed...Ry-guys having a hard time....please give him a sign and tell him its ok!!! I believe you can do that!! I try to be happy, but its not so easy...mom was here a few weeks ago,i love having her here...but its not the same without you!! Just ask mom Ryan told her. Boy hes a pistol..a real pisser like his Grampa!!! Daddy i love you and miss you every day...Your Princess

February 06, 2004 at 12:00 AM



“ Have not been in the best of moods lately dad, Imiss having you for dinner and a S.U. game. I miss just seeing your face or hearing your voice. It is hard not having you around. The kids and Terri-Lee and sadie miss you terrible also.Be down to see you soon. Love Dave.

January 29, 2004 at 12:00 AM



“ DAD STILL THINKING OF YOU EVERYDAY CHRISTMAS SUCKED BUT HAD TO GET THROUGH IT FOR THE KIDS I KNOW THATS THE WAY YOU WOULD OF WANTED IT. LOVE AND MISS YOU DAVID AND FAMILY.

January 08, 2004 at 12:00 AM



“ Every so often i come to the computer and look to see if your still here!! And you are...I think deep down in my heart if your still here on this website then you will always be with me!!! Oh Daddy i know i cant keep looking here for you...but for some reason i hope they take you off this!! Your beautiful smirk is in every picture i have of you. as it is on this!!! Ryan finally lost it the other night...asking for you and wondering why God took his Grampa...my answer was that God needed a beautiful Grampa and a kind one to help him in heaven.To my surprise, he said to me Mommy he took ""MY GRAMPA"" doesnt he know i need him!!! I couldnt explain...Cause i cant explain!!! Dad watch over him and make him happy when hes sad!!! Christmas has come and gone...you were so missed. But we remembered you the whole day!! Mom loved her ring as i told you she would!! I hope my boys grow up to be the man you were!!! And you will always be in my heart. Rest my daddy and stay near. Believe it or not i need you...I always pretended not too...but i need you now!!! God take care of him up there!!! Good -bye and sleep tight!!!With all my heart Amy

December 29, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ Dad- How many times have I come to the computer to see your beautiful smiling face; sadly enough it is in your obituary. What does all of this mean? I am 35 years old and feel like I am 5 again. The memories of all that we have done together keep flooding my every thought; and I thank God I have them. I am so happy that you are at peace dad, but I, in my very selfish world, miss you so very much, and want you to be here with our family. I try to fight the saddness and say over and over to myself that he is ok, and so are we. I am so sorry dad for having ever in my life disappointed you, I always wanted you, and still do, to be so proud of the person that I am and have become. I also want to say that you were no doubt the very kindest, unconditional man that I have ever known. To have known you has made me a stronger person. Please protect us all, especially my children, and rest peacefully until we meet again!

December 09, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ Hi Dad..Well it took me a while to write this. I tried to write the words that i were in my mind...but my heart hurt to much to write them. You were and in my heart the best Dad anyone could possibly dream of having. You made me smile...but even more you made me laugh. I know your watching over me and my family and that makes me feel so good. I know your there when i think i cant go on, cause some how i get back up and go forward . Its you that helped me up!!! I will miss you more then words can say. Do you know dad that i am even having a hard time shopping!!! Yes shopping!!! My husband is in a state of shock!!! I love you and will think of you every day. You are in my heart, where you will stay forever!!! I love you Daddy and rest peacefully...thats what gives me strenth to go on, knowing your at peace!!!!

December 08, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ Dad, you were truly an amazing man in life and death. You have a family to be proud of and have left us all feeling your love and strength. Stay with us always -- you will always be in our hearts. Love you forever--RoRo

November 28, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ Grandpa I am going to miss you playing rope with me and me bugging you to pet me and feed me. I was very sad to hear you were not going to be over to play with me anymore, and hope grandma will adopt me! I miss you and love you very much. Love your Tazzy Boy

November 28, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ Gramp, I love and miss you very much. It has only been a little while since you have left us but I can still hear you calling me Kristy Marie everytime I saw you. It seems so unreal to me right now that you are gone, but you will be in my heart and dreams forever. I'll keep gram busy with our sleepovers and makeovers!! I love you Kristy

November 28, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Dottie, Many years have passed since I have seen you. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your children. God Bless you all.

November 26, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ You were a special friend and always there when I needed something, either in my house and especially my yard. And now I don't have anyone to keep me in line about my shoes! I will always treasure the memories from the last visit with you and Dot - the Uno games (including the crashing light), the shrimp dinners, and all the laughs with the Flemings we have had over the years. I will do my best not to lead dot astray next time we are together but no promises, so you and Bob better keep us in line now together.

November 25, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Dorothy and family, When I think about Bill I remember him always smiling. He had such a calming manner and a great sense of humor. I bet that came in handy with 6 kids! To lose him so suddenly and unexpectedly had to be a terrible experience. It is great that you were back in the Syracuse area for awhile now so that you all had opportunities to be with friends and family. That support will no doubt be a blessing in the weeks and months ahead. I am so very sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Sincerely, Karen Aikman

November 25, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ Dad, what a strong man you were. You will always be an inspiration to me, to continue to fight for the love of life for oneself and your family. My one of many concerns is who will do the twist with me? You and I are a team. Frank will have to take lessons before the next wedding event. Are you picturing this? Dad, rest easy and continue to do your job from above, keep your family safe and together as always. Don't worry about anything, we will take care of mom and each other. Always remember how much you are loved. Thank you and stay near.

November 24, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ *Your smiling eyes are what I think of; your dancing with Karen at their wedding; your love of all your kids and then it was multiplied for your grandkids. Miss you.*

November 24, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ *Karen & Tom, We are very sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you and your family. Love, Collette, John and the kids*

November 24, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ *Grandpa I don't know where to begin. I mean one minute you are in the hospital and the next you are in a casket! I miss you so much! i think of all the times we spent together and when I walked in your house you would say"" Oh hi honey or oh hi sweetheart"". this morning I went to your house and it just was not the same with out you there! Now as I sit here you are probaly watching me from above. I miss your voice and the way you said certain things. I MISS YOU AND LOVE YOU VERY MUCH. WHEN i saw you in the casket it just didn't seem real. Love Erika*

November 24, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ *To Amy and the rest of the family, I am so sorry and so very sad to learn of your loss. Your dad is such a wonderful and big part of my childhood memories. He will be dearly missed. We will have you and your family in our prayers, especially at this time of year. May God give you strength today and in the future.*

November 24, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ I met Bill in 1968 at Alcan. At that time I was working on the shop floor. Bill gave me a start at a career in data processing when he hired me as a computer operator in the department he managed. He was more than a boss to me. He taught and mentored me and really changed my life. I was fortunate to be able to thank him on more than one occasion. Although it has been quite a number of years since we have been in contact, I have never forgot Bill and the chance he took on me. So once again Bill; thanks for everything. Dot, we are truly sorry for your loss. Joe and Sandy Gorman

November 24, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ To Aunt Dot and Family, It seems as if we have gone through enough this year and we know that there are no real words of comfort. I am happy to say that he is resting now with family, I am sure that Gram (Lucy) is happy to have him there with her. May God strengthen you all in this time of loss -Georgia-

November 24, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ Bill was a wonderful person. We enjoyed many good times over at Karen's house with you and your family. You were always smiling and so sweet. We will miss you. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.

November 24, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ William R. Dean

November 24, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ My thoughts go back to the ""old"" Oswego days. We had some great times. There was always time to see a game or play a game. Our social times (sometimes that was a drink or two) were always fun. Most of the best fun came duing bowling season, the leagues and the tournaments. I'll never forget!! I guess they were the ""good old days"". You will be missed and you know we will talk about those good times. Thoughts by Bob and great memories from Theresa plus the family Cathy, Kevin and Bob

November 24, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ Grandpa,I remember when you always were smiling when we came to your house. It was fun when I saw you playing baseball with me and my brother. I am going to miss you. I love you.

November 24, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ Billy" a?" It's so hard for me right now to believe you're really gone. I guess I know with time it will get easier, but right now it's unreal how much it hurts. I wanted to thank you for embracing me into your family ... you always made me feel so welcome, even from the first time we met. You have been an awesome "grandpa" to my children, and a great friend and father-in-law to me. I miss you so much already!! I love you. a?" Your "favorite son-in-law" Tom

November 24, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ Deaner and Family, Sorry to hear about your Dad, just wanted to let you know that we were thinking of you.

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“ Dad all I can think about is when you would come home from work at the bank and I would be waiting with our ballgloves so I could pitch to you. The one thing that sticks out is you in your suit with a smoke in your mouth and the ball I threw skipping off the ground and hitting you in the nutsack, I remember laughing while you slowly put your head on the ground. I have to thank you for teaching me to work hard it has been my biggest asset in life. I wouldn't be the father or the ironworker I am today without your guidance. I am well respected in both and I owe that to you. You have a grandson in the army now who graduated with high honors from bootcamp, you must have passed it on to him. By the way he got high honors in grenade toss, good thing he didn't throw it to you skip it off the ground and hit you in the nutbag. I love you and miss you so much right now. Don't worry about mom or the kids they will always be safe with me here. Love your thankful son, DAVID

November 24, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ Debbie & family: I will remember your dad as a jolly man who always made me laugh by singing "her name was Joanne" to me. I'm sure you have many special memories to treasure. I am very sorry for your loss. Love, Joanne & Jayson

November 24, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ I'm sorry to hear of your family's loss.

November 24, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ Dad- Where do I begin. You were my biggest fan and my hero. I am who I am today because of you. Thank you! As I sit here and see the carousel of memories one that sticks out is at Elmira, and we were playing against St. Bonaventure. The umpire made a call that you clearly did not like, and you let him know, and know and ...!! You never did see the end of that game! But that's what you always did, fight for the ones that you loved! And I will always remember that about you, your fight for love and life. Thank you for showing me how to be a parent, a strong independent woman, and a wife. You were an amazing grandpa, one that is truly missed today! Please have no worries, we are all here together! I love you daddy, and I will miss you!

November 24, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ I remember the big hello and smile you always gave when we came to Tom & Karen's and you were there, the banter about sports and the joy you took in your grand children.

November 24, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ We all miss you and love you very much.

November 23, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ A great friend and co-worker, a man that deeply loved his family and was very proud of each member. Unfortunately, I haven't seen much of Bill in recent years, but I'll always cherish fond memories of him and the times that we shared.

November 23, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ Bill Dean was proven loved and missed by his family. The night he passed away, something truly amazing happend to me. As his neice in law, we werent very close. But i sure will miss his smile at family get togethers. But the amazing thing that happend to me that night, was that i finally realized what my family was. My family was loving and caring. My family was there for each other. We probably always were, but to me, i havnt realized. Until my second cousin Allison Dean wanted me to talk to her about her grandfather. I told her, im always here for you, and i love you very much. She said the same. Im very happy that he is an angel now, because if not, I wouldn't have this bond i now have with one of my family members, and i wouldn't realize the love and close relationships my family does and can have. Thank you William R. Dean. You will be missed dearly.

November 23, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ I will miss you throwing my my tennis ball and rubbing my belly. I will miss you very much. Love Sadie

November 23, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ Debbie, My thoughts and prayers are with you. Please let me know if you need anything.

November 23, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ Dottie: Please know that you and yours are in my thoughts. You and Bill were always one of my favorites even tho we didn't see each other often, Regards to your family, too. Love, Brenda

November 23, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ Dorothy , I am so sorry for your loss and hope your family and all your children give you comfort

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