



Robert D. O'Brien

October 10, 1930 - September 9, 2020

Robert D. O'Brien, 89, of Blossvale, NY, passed away Wednesday, September 9 at St. Joseph's Hospital with family at his side. Bob is a life resident of Syracuse, he worked his entire career as a System Analyst at General Electric, where he met his wife, Dotty. He and Dotty built their home and lives together in Dewitt. After they retired, they bought a house in the Sylvan Beach area of Oneida Lake where he and Dotty could be seen most early mornings fishing out on the lake in their boat. He loved to camp on Wellesley Island and spent many summers on Piseco Lake in the Adirondacks. Bob enjoyed playing ping pong, board games, cards, dominoes, darts, and was a local horseshoe champ. He also enjoyed woodworking and gardening. After retiring in 1988, Bob and Dotty drove across the country several times to visit their youngest son and family in San Diego. They enjoyed the travel and explored many National Parks along the way. Bob spent many winters in California where he enjoyed watching the waves, walking the beach, and trying the local seafood. Bob will be missed everyday and remembered as a loving and caring husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather and a great friend.

He was predeceased by his loving wife of 70 years, Dorothy "Dotty" (Renne) O'Brien recently on July 2, 2020; brothers, John and Edward O'Brien; sisters, Mildred and Doris.

Survivors include daughter, Esther Lee (Steve) Berdan; sons, Robert E. (Nina) O'Brien, Edward T. (Melani) O'Brien; grandchildren, Leah (Mathew) Thompson, Sean (Kayla) O'Brien, Daniel (Amanda) O'Brien, Natalie O'Brien, and Jeffrey O'Brien; great grandchildren, Dominic, Lucy, Faye, Dorothy "Dory" O'Brien, and Emma Thompson; and several nieces and nephews.

A funeral service will be held on Wednesday, 10:30 a.m. at Farone & Son, Inc. Funeral Home with burial to follow at White Chapel Cemetery in DeWitt. Calling hours will be held on Wednesday, before the service from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home, 1500 Park Street. To attend the services remotely at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, September 16, please use the link on Robert's tribute page www.faroneandsoninc.com.

Cemetery

White Chapel Memorial Gardens

Kinne Road

Dewitt, NY,

Events

SEP **Calling Hours** 09:00AM - 10:30AM

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SEP **Funeral Service** 10:30AM

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Comments



“ A tribute video has been added.



Farone & Son Funeral Home - September 15, 2020 at 03:48 PM



“ Miss you Dad. I wish we had more time together. I will always love you.



Lee Berdan - September 21, 2020 at 06:32 PM



“ I remember the Sunday fishing outings on the lake. They started with a card game Saturday night and several VT's. Then we would wake up and be out on the boat early. Walleye fishing for a few hours and then back for breakfast. The fish fry was later in the afternoon. If we did not catch enough fish the dinner was a great bowl of spaghetti with sausage and homemade meat balls. Bob's fishing tips were awesome and I became hooked on a wonderful time with a very close family.
RIP

Steve Berdan

Stephen Berdan - September 16, 2020 at 12:00 AM



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“ My deepest sympathies to the family. May God give you peace and comfort through these times. Happy fishing Mr O'Brien the Mrs has her fishing partner again

Bill Busch - September 13, 2020 at 07:07 PM