



Theodore William Desveaux

August 28, 1930 - November 21, 2018

Westbrook- Theodore William Desveaux, 88, passed away in Portland on Wednesday, November 21, 2018. The son of Charles and Rose (Hamanne) Desveaux, he was born in Rumford on August 28, 1930. He grew up in Rumford, and graduated from Stevens High School. He served his country in the Army National Guard, and was called up during the Korean War, but the war ended before his unit was deployed. He attended Colby College in Waterville. He married Adrienne Bujold on September 17, 1955 and they settled in Waterville, where their three children were born. It was in Waterville that Theodore first started working for the Maine Credit Union League. In 1969 he moved his family to Westbrook to continue his work. It was a job he loved and he eventually became President of the League. He traveled with his wife extensively around the country and around the world promoting Credit Unions, an institution he truly believed in. He was an active member of St. Mary's in Westbrook and when it closed joined St. Anthony's. He volunteered in the church as a Eucharistic Minister, Finance Committee member and Lector. He was also an active member of the Knights of Columbus, and with organizations with the Credit Union. He enjoyed gardening, puzzles, and playing cards.

He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Adrienne Desveaux of Westbrook, his children Claude Desveaux of Wells, Roger Desveaux, and his wife Maureen of Scarborough, and Claire Wilson, and her husband Lawrence of Norfolk MA. He is also survived by his grandchildren, Michelle Wilson, Carolyn Smith, Thomas Wilson, Marcus Desveaux, Michael Desveaux, Adam Desveaux, Leah Desveaux, and Alyssa Desveaux, his great grandchildren, Madison Wilson, and Hollie Smith, and his sister, Irene Bilodeau of Mexico ME and a large extended family.

Family and friends are invited to attend a time of visitation on Sunday, November 25, 2018 from 4-6 PM at the Westbrook Chapel of Dolby, Blais & Segee, 35 Church St. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Monday, November 26, 2018 at 11:00 AM at St. Anthony of Padua, 268 Brown St. Westbrook. Interment will take place at St. Hyacinth's Cemetery in Westbrook in the Spring.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Theodore's memory to his church, St. Anthony's of Padua.

Cemetery

St. Hyacinth Cemetery

Stroudwater Street

Westbrook, ME, 04092

Events

NOV **Visiting Hours** 04:00PM - 06:00PM

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Dolby, Blais & Segee -Westbrook Chapel

35 Church Street, Westbrook, ME, US, 04092

NOV **Mass of Christian Burial** 11:00AM

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St. Anthony's of Padua

268 Brown St., Westbrook, ME, US

Comments



“ Dear Adrienne and family. I am so sorry for your loss. I spent many years working with Ted at the Coast Line CU on the Board. I just heard about Ted and sorry to have missed the service for him. My thoughts and prayers are for you all.

Jean Gilpatrick

Jean Gilpatrick - November 27 at 01:58 PM



“ Dear Adrienne and family, I am so sorry for your loss. My first introduction to Ted was to ask him to borrow money to save the CU I worked for at the time. I was 22, a CEO for 3 weeks, and had no clue about what I was doing. I was scared, not having done anything like this and knowing if I didn't get the loan, the credit union would need to merge or liquidate. Ted, the most ardent supporter of credit unions I've known, made me feel comfortable immediately. Not only did I walk away with the money but, more importantly, Ted gave me his support. I will never forget the kindness he showed me over the years.
Although I cannot be there for the service, please know you are in my thoughts and prayers.

Ken Acker - November 26 at 01:21 PM



“ Adrienne and family... I'm so sorry to hear of Ted's passing. He was such a huge figure in the Maine credit union community, that it seemed as though he would never leave. I've never worked for a person who cared so much for the people who worked for him or who he worked for. He truly loved the credit union philosophy and spread it wherever he traveled. His memory will live on the Maine credit union community for many years to come. May the peace of the Lord be with you all in the coming days.
Sincerely,
Michael Mclver

Michael Mclver - November 25 at 04:46 PM



“ Adrienne and family: our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. Ted was a wonderful man and one who will be missed greatly by all of us in the Maine credit union movement. I always looked forward to seeing Ted and Adrienne at Oxford federal credit union's annual meeting in his hometown of Rumford. He certainly was a great advocate for all credit unions. We will continue to do work for our members in his memory. Rest In Peace, Ted.

Sincerely,
Matt Kaubris



“ Dear Adrienne and Family,
Please accept my and Davids sincere condolences on Ted’s passing.
Ted was Mr. Credit Union...a wonderful friend, mentor, boss, and leader. He was one of the most respected Credit Union leaders in Maine and the United States; wherever we went to meetings across the US people always knew him. He was the consummate volunteer and advocate for credit unions. When I worked for Ted, one of my duties was to make sure he had butter pecan ice cream from Smiling Hill Farms on a weekly basis! I loved to beat him at cards during our lunch hours, as did Norm Nolette and Norm Hannah...we never let him forget it when we did. He will live on in our hearts and prayers forever.
Lovingly,
Carrie and David Shaw

Carrie Shaw - November 25 at 02:51 PM



“ I just recently found out of Ted's passing. I'm sorry I cant make it up to celebrate his life today.
Ted was the Maine Credit Union League. I had the honor of working with him as Chairman of the League Board.
I don't think I ever saw him have a bad day. He and his wife Adrian were the most gracious couple I have ever known.

RIP my friend.

Howard Dunn
St Petersburg, FL

Howard Dunn - November 25 at 08:34 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Theodore William Desveaux.



November 23 at 04:37 PM



“ Claude, Marcus and Michael
As well as the rest of the family,
We are so sorry for your loss! Please be comforted by the fact that he lived an
amazing life and had the love from all of you. If you need anything, I am here.
Thoughts and prayers
Love, Michael and Jennie Campbell



Jennie Campbell - November 23 at 01:18 PM