



Adelard J. Thisdale Jr.

July 29, 1937 - December 26, 2015

Stratham – After spending Christmas surrounded by the family he loved, Adelard Joseph “Al” Thisdale, Jr., 78, of Stratham, passed away peacefully on Saturday, December 26, 2015 at his home.

He was born July 29, 1937 in Portland, CT, the son of the late Adelard J. and Irene (Robida) Thisdale.

Al was raised in Portland, CT. He met and fell in love with Rosemarie Grasso while working as teenagers together at Woolworth’s in Middletown, CT and they were married in October of 1958. Al earned his Bachelor’s Degree from the University of Colorado and his Master’s Degree from the University of Missouri. After completing his degrees, he was commissioned, and retired from the Air Force in 1977 as a Captain.

Al enlisted in the United States Air Force shortly after high school and he and Rosemarie raised their family at many different locations as his Air Force assignments dictated. He and Rosemarie moved to New Hampshire after his retirement and eventually settled on the Seacoast in 1994. Following his retirement, Al entered the field of accounting, served as president of the New Hampshire NAA in 1987, and acted as managing accountant at Custom Pools of Newington for the last 20 years.

He was a faithful communicant of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church in Hampton where he served as an acolyte and lector, a volunteer with the St. Vincent de Paul Society and an active part of the food pantry program. He was an avid bowler and bowled in the Tri-City Bowling League of Dover for many years.

Al was a devoted father and grandfather. He coached his children's softball and baseball teams during his early years. Later, he became a fixture at North Hampton Soccer events and Portsmouth little league baseball games where he was known simply as "Kara's" or "Duncan's" grandfather.

In addition to his beloved wife, Rosemarie (Grasso) Thisdale, Al leaves his daughters, Sheryl Bagley and her husband, Paul of Newington and Lisa Martin of North Hampton; his son, Scott Thisdale of St. Marys, OH; his grandchildren, Wesley Asheim and his wife Anya, Duncan Hansen, Kara Martin and Andrew Bagley and his great grandchildren, Jacob and Thaddeus Asheim.

He was predeceased by his parents, his infant son, John Thisdale and his sister, Leona Trudel.

Visiting hours will be from 5 to 7 pm on Wednesday, December 30, 2015 in the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - Crematory, 811 Lafayette Rd., Hampton. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 am on Thursday at Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, 289 Lafayette Rd., Hampton. Burial with full military honors will be in the Newington Cemetery. Family and friends are respectfully invited. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the St. Vincent de Paul Society, C/O Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, 289 Lafayette Rd., Hampton, NH 03842.

Cemetery Details

Newington Town Cemetery

Nimble Hill Road
Newington, NH

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 30. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - Crematory
811 Lafayette Road ·
Hampton, NH 03842
(603) 926-6500
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Funeral Mass

DEC 31. 10:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church
289 Lafayette Road
Hampton, NH

Tribute Wall



“ *Adelard J. Thisdale Jr.*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *To Al's wife and family.*

I managed Saint Vincent's Kitchen for 10 years. The hardest problem I had was recruiting cooks.

Fortunately, Al stepped up. He would schedule 3 or 4 nights at the beginning of the season but I knew I could fall back on him if I needed to. He filled many a gap when other volunteers couldn't, for good reason, cook an agreed upon night. Just not on Bowling league nights!!

He was a joy to be with, a good jolly, friend.

Dick Glennon

Richard Glennon - December 31, 2015 at 05:31 AM



“ *My deepest sympathies to he Thisdale family on AL's passing. He was a super guy. For many years he and I were lectors at 7:30 Mass at OLMM. He was so fun to be around. I will keep him in my prayers as well as extended family. Brian Warburton, Hampton*

Brian Warburton - December 30, 2015 at 02:56 PM

DF

“ Sorry for your loss. I did enjoy chatting with Al at the many youth sporting events over the years, rest in peace. David Farrell

David Farrell - December 30, 2015 at 02:07 PM

GS

“ MY condolences and sympathy to Al's family. I had the pleasure of working with Al at Custom Pools for the last 10 years. He was such a great listener----and talker! You will be missed Al, May you rest in peace.



Grace Savageau

grace savageau - December 30, 2015 at 01:15 PM

MS

“ We were deeply saddened to hear of the loss of Al. He was a wonderful, generous, kind and caring man. We will miss seeing his smiling face.
Rest in peace Al, you will remain in our hearts forever!

Brian and Mary Ann Short

Mary Ann Short - December 30, 2015 at 01:01 PM

KA

“ I worked with Al for about 10 years and Al was always so happy every single day that I saw him.. He wanted to know about everyone's days and lives and would ask more questions just so he could hear every detail; he was curious and heartened - just wanted to make everyone's days. He would even pick up the phone with "Hello, this is Peggy" just to get a kick out of the caller on the other side of the phone... After years of hearing it, I caught on that he only did that with people he personally knew. It made me chuckle every time. Al had a deep love and appreciation for his family... he was so proud to be the husband, father, and grandfather of each and every one in his family. I have heard many stories and have read many articles on the family's successes... he had a lot to be proud of! He was a very kind and giving man and he made me want to be a better person and give back to the community more from seeing how much he gave to his church and community, especially with the pantry food drives and cooking in the kitchen.

One thing I admired most about Al is that he loved life, he loved living life and he dreamed BIG! He was a dreamer and he saw no limitations in sight. He wanted to travel many more places and do so much more than he's already done. He would always discuss with me the careers he wanted to try out after he was done with his current one. His love for PB&J sandwiches will always stick with me and I will think of him every time I eat one, like I have done so today.

Al Thisdale is someone who many would aspire to be and I am grateful to have gotten the chance to know him so well. But he is sorely missed.

My condolences and sympathies are with the entire family and his friends. May God grant you strength in this time of need. God Bless.

-Kelsey Adams

Kelsey Adams - December 30, 2015 at 12:44 PM

TS

“ *Al is a Faithful servant of God and loved to share his talents as a Liturgical Minister at our Men of St. Joseph monthly, 1st Saturday 7AM, Masses. He will surely be missed.*



Tony Sinagra - December 29, 2015 at 03:54 PM

DD

“ *Denis Dugan lit a candle in memory of Adelard J. Thisdale Jr.*



Denis Dugan - December 29, 2015 at 03:40 PM



“ *70 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - December 29, 2015 at 03:16 PM



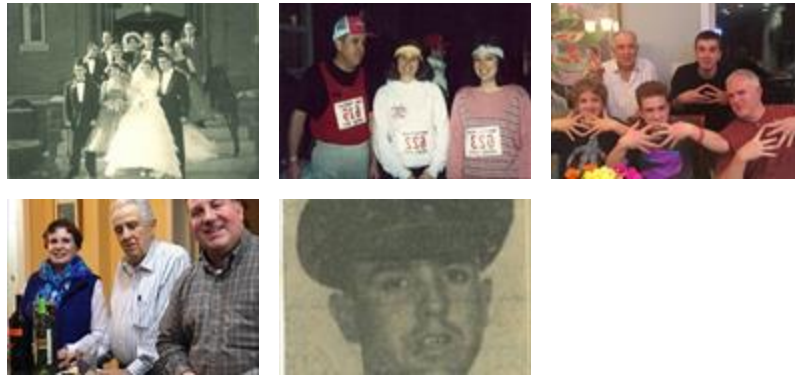
“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Adelard J. Thisdale Jr..*



December 29, 2015 at 03:04 PM



“ *10 files added to the album New Album Name*



Lisa Martin - December 29, 2015 at 12:02 PM



“ *Crown Equipment Corporate Logistics Team- New Bremen, OH purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Adelard J. Thisdale Jr..*



Crown Equipment Corporate Logistics Team- New Bremen, OH - December 29, 2015 at 09:15 AM

DP

“ Lisa , Sheryl, Rosemarie and family,
Just a note to say I am really sorry to read
about the loss of Al, for the several business
interactions I have had with you both and Al
through the years, it was always such a
pleasure to hear how the family was doing and catch up. He was
always so proud to let me know and I cherished the updates. My
sincere condolences to you all during this most difficult time, ,may
you find comfort in the memories you have shared , you will be in
my thoughts in prayers.
Darlene Pearl- Merrimack Mortgage



Darlene Pearl - December 28, 2015 at 11:11 PM

LS

“ Laura Sagalski lit a candle in memory of
Adelard J. Thisdale Jr.



Laura Sagalski - December 28, 2015 at 08:20 PM

LS

So sorry for your loss. We will miss seeing Al at the daily 6:45am Mass.
He has given so much of himself to our parish for as long as I can
remember! May God provide you consolation in your time of mourning
as Al goes to the room in the Father's house that has been lovingly
preparing for him!

Laura Sagalski - December 28, 2015 at 08:23 PM

JR

“ *Al was a neighbor of mine here in the Woodlands. He always had a ready smile, a willingness to help with community projects and a kind word. Rosemarie is a member of the Woodlands book club and I hope she will continue as she always has the ability to explain her thoughts well. God's blessing on Rosemarie and the family.* Judy Roberts

judy roberts - December 28, 2015 at 05:17 PM