



## Mr. Arthur John Ryan

May 23, 1930 - June 19, 2013

Arthur John Ryan "Art", 83, of Light Post Way, Merrill died Wednesday, June 19, 2013 at Alice Hyde Medical Center, Malone, NY.

Born in Chateaugay, NY on May 23, 1930, he was the son of William T. and Ella (Burke) Ryan.

He was married to Barbara Bird on June 26, 1954 in St. Peter's Church, Plattsburgh.

Mr. Ryan graduated from Chateaugay High School and from the University of the State of New York at Plattsburgh in May 1954. He was employed as a teacher at Ellenburg Central/Northern Adirondack Central School for 31 years. He worked many summers for U.S. Customs in the Champlain, Chateaugay, Trout River and Churubusco ports. Mr. Ryan was a member of the Moon Valley Ski Patrol, Titus Mountain 70 Plus Club, Hemingford Golf Club, Malone Golf Club, Trout River Golf Club, Figure 8 Mountain Hunting Club, Figure 8 Pond Hunting Club, Elks Club in Malone and Kiwanis in Ellenburg where he was the secretary. He was a communicant of St. Bernard's Church, Lyon Mountain. He enjoyed fishing, camping, boating, music and flying (even building his own Ultra Light Plane).

Mr. Ryan is survived by his wife of 58 years; two daughters and sons-in-law, Patricia and Robin Cook of Chateaugay, Theresa and Shawn Dwyer of Cornwall, Ontario; a son, William T. Ryan of Plattsburgh; five grandchildren, Erica Cook, Christopher (Heather) Cook, Patrick Cook, Katherine (Ian) Dwyer, Cory Dwyer; a great-grandson, Cooper J. Cook; a sister, Lucille Hinds of

Mountain View; a sister-in-law, Shirley Ryan of Chateaugay Lake; several nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his parents, and a brother, H. Paul Ryan.

There are no calling hours.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 am on Monday, June 24 in St. Bernard's Church with Rev. Ted Crosby of St. Bernard's Church will be officiating.

Burial will be private and at the convenience of the family at the Brainardsville Cemetery.

A reception will follow at the Lyon Mountain American Legion.

The family would like to give special thanks to the caring staff of the Alice Hyde Memorial Hospital.

Donations in his memory may be made to the American Cancer Society or the charity of your choice.

# Tribute Wall

TG

“ *Barbara and Family:  
So sorry to hear of your loss. Art was a great teacher. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

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**Tom & Gayle Grogan** - August 09, 2016 at 11:13 AM

MY

“ *I think that most people don't realize the impact that teachers have on our lives. Teachers do things both big and small - that touch and change our lives in ways that they themselves may not have known. Mr. Ryan made an impact on my life. Math was not my strong suit. But, he made Algebra make sense to me. When I was struggling with Geometry and thought about taking business courses instead, he encouraged me to stay the course. When others had doubts about me pursuing a college education, he encouraged me. He was there with sound advice and he was there when I just needed a friend. He had great character and he loved what he did. He was one of the first teachers who was able to take all the vague notions I had about my life and organize them. Mr. Ryan was fair, very hard working, kind and thoughtful with a dry, but good sense of humor. I have always considered myself lucky to be one of his many students. Mr. Ryan, your willing ear, enduring patience and the feeling that you were in my corner made a difference in my life. Thanks for everything. Your kind soul will be truly missed. Rest in peace. My deepest condolences to the Ryan family.*

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**Mark Yanulavich** - August 09, 2016 at 11:13 AM

LB

“ I had the unique experience of Mr Ryan as a math teacher in high school, and Art being a colleague, as I started my teaching career. I have many fond memories of laughs and antics, that were part of the "MENS" Teacher Room in Ellenburg Central School  
As I now try to help my grandchildren with math, I truly appreciate what a fine teacher he was  
RIP Art

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**Leon Bilow** - August 09, 2016 at 11:13 AM

RD

“ Mr. Ryan was my Math teacher and 7 and 8 grade homeroom teacher in 1961 and 1962. RIP Mr. Ryan

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**Robert Drown** - August 09, 2016 at 11:13 AM

JH

“ Dear Barb and family, I will miss the "bomber", but I will have many great memories from high school, college, hunting, and the lake.  
RIP ole buddy!  
JOHN

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**John Hyland** - August 09, 2016 at 11:13 AM

LL

“ sorry for your loss. he was a great teacher and man.

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**lori labarge** - August 09, 2016 at 11:13 AM

NS

“ My maiden name was Nancy Colgan and I babysat for your daughters during my school years at Ellenburg Central. I want you to know how very sorry I am for your loss. Your husband was such a good and patient teacher as well as being a good person. My heart goes out to you, your children, and all of your family at this sad time.

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**Nancy Shutts** - August 09, 2016 at 11:13 AM

JM

“ I drive by camp regularly; it's changed but the great memories I keep will never. Terry and family you have my deepest sympathies, your Dad/husband will be missed.

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**John Mahoney** - August 09, 2016 at 11:13 AM

DM

“ Though I only had the privilege of working with Art a few years before his retirement, there was a real sense of "togetherness" back then. He was patient with this greenhorn, always willing to answer the tons of questions I had about teaching. Art and Barb certainly seemed to be a complimentary couple. I also had the honor of having Billy in my class. It is to your credit that Billy had his own aura and to this day has a special place in my heart. Art's spirit lives on in the many lives he has touched. Shalom!

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**Deb Moldovan** - August 09, 2016 at 11:13 AM



“ I have such nice memories of the Ryan household! My sincerest sympathy to you Terry and your family. Jeanne Ledoux Forkey

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June 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM