

## Robert F. Cummings 1924 - 2013



CUMMINGS, Robert F. Of Franklin, formerly of Greenfield, peacefully passed away at home surrounded by family members late Sunday morning, September 22, 2013. Bob, 89, born to James and Evelyn (Horrigan) in Bristol, CT on 1/11/24, was raised in Greenfield.

He served in World War II followed by service as a Lt. Col. in the Air Force Reserve. He was an educator, graduating from Bradley University and was a history teacher, principal, and later a guidance counselor at Niskayuna High School in Schenectady, NY. Bob was an avid sailor, racing Windmills on Saratoga Lake and in waters off Long Island. Upon retiring he undertook building a 39 ft. Corbin yacht, sailing for many years with family & friends, aboard the Tara along the eastern sea-board and the Great Lakes. Bob married the love of his life, Catherine Dempsey, of NYC, and recently celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary. They have three children; Robert (wife Debbie), Patricia (husband Vint), and Stephen (fiancé Joline), five grandchildren; Erin, Sean, Matt, Caitlin, Stephanie, and one great- grandchild, Cadence. A funeral Mass will be celebrated by Bob's cousin, the Monsignor William Stetson of Los Angeles, at St. Mary's Church, Holliston, MA on Wednesday, September 25th at 10:30am. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 480 Pleasant St., Watertown, MA 02472.