

Chester Obryk

Orwell, VT - Chester Obryk, age 86, formerly of South River, NJ, peacefully passed away on Thursday, September 16, 2021 at the University of Vermont Medical Center in Burlington, VT, surrounded by his loving family. Born in Poland to the late Stanley and Teresa Obryk, Chester immigrated to Elizabeth, NJ in 1964. He and his wife Christine later moved to South River where they raised their six children. The two moved to VT over 20 years ago where they made lifelong friends and built a wonderful life on their 21 acre farm. More than just a home to his animals and beautiful gardens, the farm provided years of family memories for his children and grandchildren. Before retiring as a physical plant mechanic at Rutgers University, Mr. Obryk had previously been employed by American Cyanamid in Bound Brook and J&J Textile Mill in Milltown.

After serving in the Polish military as a young man, Chester studied plumbing. While he was proficient in nearly all trades, he considered plumbing his true craft. However, Chester always said his greatest accomplishment was that, as an immigrant coming to America with \$.75 in his pocket, he was able to send all six of his children through college. He was a proud, strong man who will be missed by all of his family and dear friends.

Chester is survived by his beloved wife of nearly 60 years, Christine Obryk, his six loving children and their spouses; Mariola Obryk of East Brunswick, Stanley and Maggie Obryk of South River, Irena and Anthony DePalma of Old Bridge, John and Nina Obryk of East Brunswick, Elizabeth and Rob Pascale of Blirstown, and Janette and Joe Csatari of Clinton; his 12 dear grandchildren Olivia Ryan (Michael), Jillian and Ingrid Lawnick, Karolina Obryk, Derek and Anya DePalma, Christina and Joseph Obryk, Robbie (son of Rob Pascale), Jackson and Eden Pascale, and Emilia and Norah Csatari, as well as his three sisters and many dear friends and family in the USA and Europe.

Funeral services are scheduled for Saturday, September 25, 2021 at 8:30am from the M.A. Maliszewski Funeral Home, 218 Whitehead Avenue, South River followed by a 9am mass at St. Mary of Ostrabrama RC Church. Burial will immediately follow at Holy Cross Burial Park in South Brunswick.

Calling hours at the funeral home will be held on Friday, September 24, 2021 from 2 - 4pm and 7 - 9pm. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Chester's name to the American Heart Association. Letters of

condolence to the family, directions, and complete funeral arrangements may be found by visiting www.maliszewskifuneralhome.com.