

Roland St. Hilaire Sr.

Formerly of Ayer, [WWII](#) Vet; 91

ACTON -- Roland St. Hilaire Sr., 91, of Acton, formerly of Ayer and Arlington, died on July 17, 2012, at Life Care Center of Acton.

He was born in Lewiston, ME on May 6, 1921, son of the late Elie and Josephine (Grenier) St. Hilaire, and was the husband of the late Dorothy (Beaulieu) St. Hilaire who died in 2003.

He grew up in N. Cambridge and was a graduate of Rindge High School. Roland served in WWII in the [U.S. Navy](#) as a Coxswain aboard the USS Corry (Atlantic) and the USS Knapp (Pacific).

After the War, he was married in 1953 and had made his home in Everett, N. Cambridge, Arlington from 1965-2006 and then Ayer.

He worked at Watertown Arsenal for several years, then as a crane operator for the Charlestown Navy Yard until it closed in the 1970s.

Mr. St. Hilaire is survived by his children Roland J. St. Hilaire, Jr. of Windham, NH, Stephen P. St. Hilaire of Arlington, and Carol A. Zaiatz of Groton, Father-in-Law of Angela (Mazzola) St. Hilaire, Maureen (Poirier) St. Hilaire, and Peter Zaiatz, Grandfather of Marcus and Katherine Zaiatz, Matthew, Joseph and Michael St. Hilaire, and Christine and Anne-Marie Ilacqua.

ST. HILAIRE -- Funeral from the Badger Funeral Home, 347 King St., Littleton on Wednesday, July 25 at 11 am with a Mass Christian Burial at St. Anne's Church, 75 King St. at 12 Noon. Visiting Hours will be Tuesday, July 24 from 4-8 pm. Burial at Westlawn Cemetery, Littleton, In Lieu of Flowers donations may be made in Memory of Roland St. Hilaire to Volunteers of America (Massachusetts), C/O Nashoba Park, 15 Winthrop Ave., Ayer, MA 01432. Please see www.badgerfuneral.com

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