

# William Whitcomb

## Was active in parks and recreation

William R. Whitcomb, 63, of 5 Whittemore Terrace, Wakefield, formerly of Littleton died unexpectedly on March 30, 1995 at Emerson Hospital. He was born in Fitchburg on Oct. 14, 1931 son of the late Harold and Josephine (Ruggles) Whitcomb. Mr. Whitcomb spent most of his life in Littleton and was a graduate of Littleton High School, class of 1949. He served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean Conflict and was stationed on the U.S.S. Wisconsin. 3-30-95

Mr. Whitcomb worked as a driver for Kleenit Inc. of Ayer for several years before operating Littleton News, delivering newspapers for 20 years. He also became director of the Park Department in Littleton, where he worked for more than 20 years.

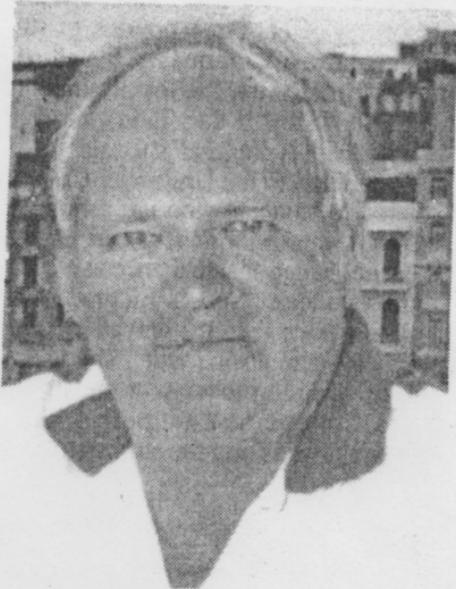
Mr. Whitcomb was very active in the town of Littleton, where he was the Veteran's Agent for the past three years and organized the annual Memorial Day parades. He also served the town's Civil Defense organization as shelter officer for numerous years. He was president of the Businessmen's Bowling League for more than 35 years and was a member of the Hornets men's softball organization.

Mr. Whitcomb was a member of the American Legion and the Littleton V.F.W. Post #249. He was especially fond of the former V.F.W. minstrel shows and played Santa Claus at many private and town functions. He was a member of the First Church Unitarian of Littleton, where he was recently designated Deacon Emeritus.

Mr. Whitcomb is survived by his wife Elaine (Falangas) Andruchow-Whitcomb of Wakefield. He was the father of Allen R. Whitcomb, James N. Whitcomb, Donald C. Whitcomb, and Karen E. Whitcomb, all of Pepperell. He was also the father of Sharon B. Sturtevant of Brookline, N.H., Michael Andruchow and Lisa Andruchow, both of Wakefield, and the late Thomas W. Whitcomb.

He was the brother of Harold and his wife Elvira Whitcomb, David A. Whitcomb and Mrs. Hugh (Mildred) McGovern all of Littleton and the late Edward N. Whitcomb. He is also survived by nine grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the First Church Unitarian, Foster Street, Littleton. Cremation was at Mt. Auburn Crematory in Cambridge.



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