

John J. Watson

WEST YARMOUTH —

John J. Watson, 91, of West Yarmouth, formerly of Watertown, died peacefully in his sleep on June 6, 2009, the 68th anniversary of his marriage to his beloved Muriel Marie (Conrad) Watson. Mr. Watson died at his home in West Yarmouth with his family at his side.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Muriel; sons, Jack of Newport, Vt., Don of Eastham, Bob of West Yarmouth, Al of Tucson, Ariz., Conrad of Barnstable, and Rich of Naples, Fla.; daughter, Kathy of West Yarmouth; and son, Wally of Belmont, whom he served as his best man. Mr. Watson was a grandfather to 21 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

He was a graduate of Watertown High School, Class of 1937, and State Half Mile champion. He served in the Army Air Forces during World War II.

Mr. Watson retired from the education profession in 1980. He had served young people, especially the disadvantaged, as a teacher in the Concord public schools and also coached the baseball, track and golf teams at that school. He went on to serve as an assistant principal at Watertown High School, principal at Bourne High School, and at the time of his retirement served as the METCO coordinator for the Belmont public schools.

Funeral Mass will be held in the Sacred Heart Church, Watertown, on Tuesday, at 10 a.m. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend. Interment is in Mount Auburn Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in his memory to Nativity Prep School, 39 Lamartine St., Jamaica Plain, MA 02130, would be appreciated.