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of Littleton; 91

LITTLETON -- John Anthony Cannava, 91, of Littleton died suddenly on Dec. 23 at Emerson Hospital. He was born in Boston on April 27, 1921 son of Joseph and Mary (Riera) Cannava. He grew up in Boston and was a graduate of Boston English High School in 1939. He was a [WWII](#) veteran who served in the US [Army](#) from 1943 to 1949.

He was married in 1944 to Frances who preceded him in death in 2009 and made their home in Littleton since 1950.

Mr. Cannava worked at McElroy's and Warren Manufacturing Companies in Littleton in the 1950's for several years and then at Raytheon in Andover until he retired in 1981.

He was a charter member of the Littleton-Westford ELKS, and a member of St. Anne's Catholic Church where he was a founding member of the Holy Name Society.

John enjoyed reupholstering furniture a trade he acquired as a young boy while working in the family business in Boston, playing the piano, working in the yard, family barbecues and was an avid Red Sox fan.

Mr. Cannava is survived by his 4 daughters Diane Cannava of Hudson, NH, Helen Cannava of Pensacola, FL, Kathleen Cannava of Nashua, NH and Frances Cannava of Hudson, NH. A great-granddaughter Alicia Lowe and a sister Mary Brazil. He is predeceased by his grandson John Lowe and

his brothers Santo Cannava, Robert Cannava and Angelo Cannava.

CANNAVA -- Visiting Hours will be held at the Badger Funeral Home, 347 King St., Littleton on Saturday December 29, 2012 from 9-10:45 followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at St. Anne's Church, 75 King Street at 11 am. Burial at Westlawn Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers contributions may be in his memory to Fisher House Boston, P.O. Box 230, South Walpole, MA 02071. Fisher House allows a place where military families can stay while their loved ones recuperate at VA Hospitals. Please see www.badgerfuneral.com.

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