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Vincent J. Canty

July 11, 1938 - Oct. 8, 2015

Vincent J. Canty, 77, of Nebo, NC died Thursday, October 8, 2015. Born in Worcester County, MA on July 11, 1938, he was the son of Doris Martel Canty of Webster, MA and the late Vincent J. Canty. Vincent graduated from Nichols College in Dudley, MA with a Bachelor's of Science Degree.

In addition to his mother, Vincent is survived by his wife of 57 years, Linda Farlander Canty of the home; children, Jeffrey Canty of the home; Steven Canty and his wife, Lisa, of Charlton, MA, and Kathy Carroll and her husband, Tom, of Newport, TN; siblings, Sheila Moossa of North Andover, MA, John Canty and his wife, Ann Marie, of Webster, MA, and Sharon Hylka and her husband, Francis, of Dudley, MA; several nephews and nieces; a sister-in-law, Betsy Johnson of Marietta, GA; and two beloved canine companions, Dudley and Megan.

The memorial prayer service will be held at 11:30 a.m., Tuesday, October 13, 2015 in the Colonial Chapel of Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center with the Rev. Mr. John Martino officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to Burke Hospice and Palliative Care, Inc., 1721 Enon Road, Valdese, NC 28690.

Sossoman Funeral Home is assisting the family with the arrangements.

## Tribute Wall

Dearest Linda, I was at Mass today at St. Louis and asked Vince's brother, John, how he was. I had not seen John in several years. I had been thinking about Vince lately, probably because I am getting older also...77 this year. I was pondering to track him down and call to say hello someday. So I was saddened, not only to hear about his passing, but also that I waited to call. I worked at Schott with him for 7 years in sales and I became his sidekick on various business trips. Our Dads were good friends in their younger years and were card cronies on many Friday nights in the backroom, (for money in those days), of my uncle's barroom Maybe that connection is why he took me under his wing. Vince introduced me to the highs and lows of sales and to corporate's "games." He really was the person who helped me understand the "business world" and how to overcome challenges which I continued to use throughout my careers. One saying I still remember from him and carried in my pocket for life was... "Don't let the bastards get you down!" I can still see the sign in Latin he had on his desk. I passed down that expression to my family to use in their careers too. My background was nursing and education but I began to love the excitement of corporate and I could see a lot of my people skills being able to be carried over. He was a mentor to me and probably did not even realize it. He even taught me why to start a 401K to which I am indebted to him today. Vince spoke of you so highly and your job at Husky, and I could tell he loved you dearly. I hope this message gets to you. He left me his legacy of caring and also savviness and how to survive in the business world that was male dominated back then. I am praying for his soul as I write this condolence. I hope you are well and stay safe wherever you are. My best, Paula

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-Paula Starosta Chauvin of Dudley