

Service Summary

Visitation

8:30 AM to 9:30 PM, Sat Aug 09, 2014

St. Anthony of Padua Church 28 Memorial St.

Exeter, Pa., Pennsylvania 18643

Mass of Christian Burial 9:30 AM Sat Aug 09, 2014

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Obituary

Born: Sunday, October 4, 1936 **Died:** Wednesday, August 6, 2014

Edward C. Bedner, 77, of Boston, MA., formerly of Exeter, Pa. passed away on Wednesday August 6, 2014 at the home of his sister, Jacqueline Namutka, West Pittston.

He was born on October 4, 1936, raised in Exeter, and the son of the late Edward A. and Julia Busha Bedner. He was a graduate of Scranton Preparatory School. He completed a Bachelor's, Master's and Doctorate in Music at Boston University with additional piano study at New England Conservatory of Music. He was a professor of music at Berklee College of Music at the time of his passing.

Edward furthered the careers of very gifted students from around the world traveling to many countries doing lectures and recitals at regional, national and international conferences on the music of Chopin, Messiaen, Takemitsu, Chen Yi and others. He did extensive public performances in solo recitals, as an accompanist, on television in the Boston area and as a soloist with local orchestras. He was a recipient of a grant for study at Tanglewood Music Center.

For fifty years Edward generously shared his knowledge and promoted the gift of music internationally through published papers, performing and fine-tuning the skills of his students. Many of his most talented students have continued to further their personal music careers and follow Edwards's varied and valued traditions of teaching and performing.

In addition to his parents, Edward was preceded in death by his sister Nancy (Bedner) Warren.

He is survived by his sister Jacqueline Bedner Namutka, West Pittston, and nieces, Karol (Namutka) Anderson, Brigantine, N.J., Leigh Ann (Warren) Fury, Wendy (Warren) Goff, Brielle, N.J., and nephews, Gary Namutka and his wife Julia, Plains, Scott Warren and his wife Suzanne, Jenkins Twp., and numerous great nieces and great nephews, family and friends.

A memorial mass will be held on Saturday at 9:30am at St. Barbara Parish in St. Anthony of Padua Church, 28 Memorial St., Exeter.

Visitation for relatives and friends will be from 8:30am until time of services at the church.

Interment will be in St. John the Slovak Cemetery, Schooley St., Exeter.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Memory of Edward Bedner to Dana Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box



849168, Boston, MA 02284

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Gubbiotti Funeral Home, 1030 Wyoming Ave., Exeter.

To send the family an expression or an online condolence, please visit www.gubbiottifh.com

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