



Earlin Snyder,

July 28, 1924 - August 27, 2008

Earlin L. Snyder, Sr., 84, husband of Elizabeth A. (Madara) Snyder, of Phoenixville, passed away on Wednesday, August 27, 2008, in his residence. Born in Pottsville, he was a son of the late Earl and Martha (Brown) Snyder. ?

Mr. Snyder was a graduate of Pottsville High School, attended Temple University and the University of Munich, and served in the United States Army during World War II. He and his wife enjoyed traveling across the country seven times. They also enjoyed their many trips to Avalon and Nags Head. At home, he enjoyed woodworking, and making gifts for his grandchildren. He was employed by Phoenix Steel as Superintendent of Maintenance for 30 years until his 1986 retirement. ? ?

He was a member of the First United Methodist Church, where he was a former 9th grade Sunday School teacher, and a founding member of the former Church of the Exceptional, a Church for the mentally handicapped. He was also a member of the Phoenix Lodge #75 F&AM, the Phoenixville American Legion, and a former Cub Scout pack leader. ? ?

In addition to his loving wife of 62 years, Mr. Snyder is survived by daughters Linda, wife of William Keota, of Reading, Jeanne, wife of Tom Dzedzy, of Phoenixville, sons, David Snyder, of Phoenixville, Earlin Jr., husband of Gay Snyder, of Phoenixville, Daniel Snyder, companion of Amy Florence, of Chadds Ford, and Richard, husband of Mary Snyder, of Gilbertsville, sisters Ruth Fasold, of Pottsville, and June Chivinski, of Orwigsburg, brother

Raymond Snyder, of Harrisburg, seventeen grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.? He was preceded in death by his sister, Mae Schadle.?

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the Funeral Service at the Campbell-Ennis-Klotzbach Funeral Home, Inc., Main Street at Fifth Avenue, Phoenixville Wednesday, September 3, 2008, at 12 Noon.? Officiating will be the Rev. Amy C. Smith.? Interment will follow in the Morris Cemetery.? Friends may call from 10 am to 12 Noon at the funeral home.? In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made in Earlin's name to the Earlin Snyder Memorial Fund, c/o National Penn Bank, 702 S. Main Street, Phoenixville, PA 19460, a special needs fund for David Snyder.? Condolences may be offered online at www.CampbellEnnisKlotzbachFuneralHome.com.

Tribute Wall

GD

“ I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your father. My prayers go out to you and your family.

Gene "wigs" Debus - July 19, 2013 at 08:38 AM

RI

“ Dad,
I want you to know that Earlin and Dan and I did a lot of, not so good things around the house growing up that you might not have known about.
We climbed in and out the upstairs window a lot. In fact the tree and window were our entrance of choice when we were out late at night. We painted cars in the front yard, had more than a few beer parties, Dan and I took your 54 Chevy for a spin. I think Mrs. Finkbiner is still scared of us Dad.
I'm sorry your rain down spouts are all broken, we used them to make rocket launchers and cannons with gasoline and leaves. We will fix them.
I know you could never find your tools because we left them all over the yard with all the crazy stuff we would make.
Dad, you must have had a lot of patience with us.
I'm sure there are things that we all wished we could still say to you, there is never enough time. The hole in my heart is in the shape of you Dad. No one else can fit in it.
Dad, you probably think you did not give us everything we wanted in life. But in these past few weeks you gave us all back to each other. You have given us everything we ever wanted and needed. Thank you Dad.
Give me a hug Dad. Squeeze my hand., You know Jesus and he knows you.
It's OK to go. It's OK to go

Rich - July 19, 2013 at 08:38 AM

CZ

“ *Mr. Snyder, we always enjoyed talking to you and enjoyed your company at Rich and Mary's parties. We will miss you.*

Chris and Cathy Zinzel - July 19, 2013 at 08:38 AM

PA

“ *Dannie
So sorry to hear about you dad. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Take care!*

Pam - July 19, 2013 at 08:38 AM

RM

“ *Earl,

We are so sorry to hear about your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Sincerely,

Ralph and Denise Moore

Ralph and Denise Moore - July 19, 2013 at 08:38 AM

DS

“ *Good bye Dad, I love you*

Dan Snyder - July 19, 2013 at 08:38 AM

CF

“ *Our deepest sympathy for your loss. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.*

Curt and Linda Frederick - July 19, 2013 at 08:38 AM

PK

“ *To The Snyder Family:*

Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of sorrow. If there is anything the Lodge can do for you, please do not hesitate to ask.

May God bless you and keep you.

Kenneth Good, Secretary

Phoenix Lodge #75

Phoenix Lodge #75 F. & A.M. - ksamg0075@aol.com - July 19, 2013 at 08:38 AM

EE

“ I wanted to talk about my dad’s legacy. This would also be my mom’s legacy, but I’m just talking about my dad today.

My dad was not a ‘sit-on-the-floor and play monopoly’ type of dad. He participated in our lives by being a leader. He was a cub pack leader when we were in the cub scouts. He was a Sunday school leader when we were in Sunday school. When group homes for the handicapped started to come into Schuylkill Township, he got onto the township zoning-hearing board to make sure that these homes would be available for the handicapped.

He helped to form the Church for the Exceptional so the mentally handicapped would have a place to worship. There are also other examples of this type of participation which I am not going to discuss.

Some parents believe they should divide their time and money equally among their children while they are raising them. My dad gave more to those who needed more at the time.

Three weeks ago, the doctors said that there was nothing more that they could do for my dad and put him into hospice. His children got together and took care of him at his home. Linda, through all her medical problems came down from Reading and sat with him. I know this was very tiring and difficult for her. David would come over from his group home, with his coffee in hand, and sit with Dad.

I would come and help out during the day. I just could not spend any nights at Dad’s house. I spent many hours on the cell phone.

Dan became David’s payee representative and also took over doing Mom and Dad’s bills. Dan spent a lot of time at Mom and Dad’s house. I remember one stretch of 2 ½ days spent there.

Richard spent many hours at the house during the day and also during the night. He was always cheerful and seemed to know the

right thing to say.

Jeanne spent an amazing amount of time there. I don't know who spent more time at Mom and Dad's house, Jeanne or Dan. It seemed like they both lived there. Jeanne kept the house clean and organized.

Our spouses and children and friends also helped out.

We didn't take care of our father because we had to, we took care of him because we wanted to. There was no arguing or complaining; there was no picking at each other; there was no comparing amount of time spent with Dad. We all gave 100 percent. One hundred percent was different for everyone. None of us could give anymore because we each gave all that we had.

My dad's legacy is his children. His legacy can be seen in his grandchildren. His legacy will remain forever. We love you Dad.

Earl Snyder - earlandwoodi@yahoo.com - July 19, 2013 at 08:38 AM

HH

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Your Dad will be missed by all.*

Holli Hibbs - hibsmdp@yahoo.com - July 19, 2013 at 08:38 AM

JR

“ *At this time of deep and personal sadness, please know that caring thoughts and our heartfelt sympathy is with you all. I know for certain that we never lose the people we love, even to death. They continue to participate in every act, thought and decision we make. Their love leaves an indelible imprint in our memories. We find comfort in knowing that our lives have been enriched by having shared their love.*

John & Rosemarie Dettra - Romarie40@aol.com - July 19, 2013 at 08:38 AM