



Edwin S. Bates

March 18, 1936 - June 26, 2018

Edwin S. Bates, age 82, husband of Donna J. (Biederbeck) Bates, of Phoenixville, Pennsylvania, passed away on Tuesday, June 26, 2018 in the Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, Philadelphia. Born on March 18, 1936 in Peoria, Illinois, he was a son of the late Sumner Bates and Maxine (Simmons) Bass.

Mr. Bates was a graduate of Princeville High School and Knox College in Galesburg, IL. He served in the United States Army Artillery Unit. Mr. Bates worked in sales for UARCO, Inc. for 35 years before his retirement. He was an active member of the Peoria Jaycees and held a position as a District Commissioner for Babe Ruth baseball. Mr. Bates was also an active member of the First United Methodist Church of Phoenixville, where he served on the administrative board as well as a Trustee. He enjoyed music, golfing and playing in Men's basketball and volleyball leagues. Most of all, his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren meant the world to him, and he enjoyed watching them in all of their activities.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Bates is survived by three children, Douglas C., husband of Teresa Bates of Mountain Top, PA, David H. Bates of Paoli, PA, and Susan L., wife of Jeff Hostler of Glen Gardner, NJ; seven grandchildren, Chelsea, wife of Eric Kaczmarczyk, Michael Bates, Erika Bates, Mitchell Bates, Laura Hostler, Kelly Hostler, and Sam Hostler; two great-grandchildren,

Lukin and Hannah Kaczmarczyk; two nieces, Becky Cantrall and Julie Howar; and special cousin, Sharon DeWeerth.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend his funeral ceremony at the First United Methodist Church of Phoenixville, 865 South Main Street, Phoenixville, Pennsylvania on Saturday, June 30, 2018 at 11:00 am. Officiating will be Rev. Mark Young. Burial will be held in the Morris Cemetery, Phoenixville. Friends will be received from 9:45 am - 10:45 am Saturday at the church. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in his name to the National MS Society, P.O. Box 4527, New York, NY 10163 or to the First United Methodist Church of Phoenixville, Memo: Bells, at the address above. Condolences may be made by visiting www.PhoenixvilleFuneralHome.com. Arrangements are being handled by the Campbell - Ennis - Klotzbach Funeral Home, Inc., Phoenixville, Pennsylvania.

Cemetery Details

Morris Cemetery

428 Nutt Road
Phoenixville, PA 19460

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 30. 9:45 AM - 10:45 AM (ET)

First United Methodist Church of Phoenixville
865 South Main Street
Phoenixville, PA 19460

Funeral Ceremony

JUN 30. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

CJ

“ Our deepest sympathies to you, Donna Jean, and your family.

Chris and Diane Joos

C. D. Joos - July 03, 2018 at 02:48 PM

MR

“ Dear Donna and Family,

It was a joy to be able to meet your Husband and dad. My thoughts have been with you.

Melissa Reitnour

melissa reitnour - July 03, 2018 at 12:36 PM

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“ Deepest sympathies on your loss. He will be sorely missed by all who knew him.

Glen Douglas (FUMC) - July 01, 2018 at 12:48 PM

JH

“ Donna Jean and family, our prayers are with you and your family at this sad time. May the Lord be with you. Ed was a very special guy and I have many fond memories of him.

Dorothy & Junior Harlan

Junior Harlan - June 29, 2018 at 01:00 PM





“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Edwin S. Bates .*



June 29, 2018 at 10:13 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Edwin S. Bates .*



June 28, 2018 at 06:56 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Edwin S. Bates .*



June 28, 2018 at 02:37 PM