



Frederick A. Bowen, Jr.

January 21, 1926 - October 9, 2024

Frederick A. Bowen, Jr., age 98, husband of Kathryn R. "Kiki" (Mattis) and the late Christine "Molly" (Kimes), of Phoenixville, PA, passed away on Wednesday, October 9, 2024 at home.

Born on January 21, 1926, in Shanghai, China, he was the son of the late Major Frederick A. and Bessie (Gleason) Bowen, Sr. In 1937, the family relocated to Manila, Philippines. After Japan's invasion of Manila in 1941, Mr. Bowen and his mother were interned for three years. Following the end of WWII, the family was reunited and settled in Phoenixville, PA.

Mr. Bowen was a 1947 graduate of Phoenixville High School. On June 4, 1951, he received his bachelor's degree in Mathematics from Ursinus College and that afternoon, married Molly Kimes in Washington Memorial Chapel, Valley Forge, PA. He went on to get his master's degree from Drexel University. He worked as a structural engineer for Day and Zimmermann, Gilbert Associates, and lastly for Roy F. Weston in West Chester, PA. From 1984 until 1988, his work at Weston International took him and his wife, Molly to Amman, Jordan. Mr. Bowen officially retired on June 4, 1988.

Mr. Bowen was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Phoenixville. Despite his busy work schedule, Mr. Bowen was active in the lives of his children, as well as their friends. He served as assistant scout master for Boy

Scout Troop 17, enjoying winter and summer camping trips at Camp Horseshoe in Rising Sun, Maryland. In retirement he enjoyed woodworking, model making and was an avid reader.

In addition to his wife, Kiki, Mr. Bowen is survived by five children: Frederick A. Bowen, III, husband of Ellen; Thomas Bowen, partner of Barbara Walters; Christine, wife of Jeff Winters; Sue, wife of Bill Leightcap and Kathleen ("Kathii") Murtagh, partner of Al Hyde; 11 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

A Memorial Service will be held on Friday, October 25, 2024 at 1:30 PM, at the Campbell-Ennis-Klotzbach Funeral Home. Friends are welcome to gather between 1:00 PM and 1:30 PM. Private burial will follow at the Washington Memorial Chapel Cemetery in Valley Forge.

The family of Frederick A. Bowen, Jr., is grateful for the help and support provided by Main Line HomeCare & Hospice.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions be made to the Dementia Society of America (dementiasociety.org).

Arrangements are being handled by the Campbell-Ennis-Klotzbach Funeral Home, Inc., 610 Main Street, Phoenixville, PA. Condolences may be offered online by visiting www.PhoenixvilleFuneralHome.com.

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **25**. 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Campbell-Ennis-Klotzbach Funeral Home, Inc.
610 Main Street
Phoenixville, PA 19460

Memorial Service

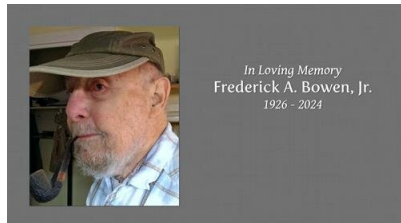
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Tribute Wall



“ *Campbell-Ennis-Klotzbach Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Frederick A. Bowen, Jr.*



Campbell-Ennis-Klotzbach Funeral Home - October 18, 2024 at 01:03 PM

LB

*Fred, Tom, Chris, Sue and Kathy,
Our sincere condolences on the passing of “Old Man”. He was a very influential part of my life. Between Boy Scouts and structural engineering he was a source of friendship and professional advice.*

Larry Baker - October 21, 2024 at 10:49 AM

CR

I was privileged in helping with Fred’s care for the last several months of his life. Tom and Barb have taken such great care of him as well as Kiki. What a beautiful tribute to a life well lived as I watched the wonderful tribute to him. I want all his family to know that I send a heart felt condolences to each and everyone of you. May all your beautiful memories help you through this difficult time.

Catherine Rafferty - October 24, 2024 at 07:19 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Frederick A. Bowen, Jr..*



October 23, 2024 at 04:13 PM

GA

“ Sue, my sincere condolences to you and your family.
Gail Agresta

Gail Agresta - October 15, 2024 at 10:20 PM

KC

Kat, I am thinking of you and your family during this time with the loss of your Dad. I hope you are comforted by the loving memories and the time you spent with him. With ❤️ Kim

Kimberlea Bennett Close - October 17, 2024 at 07:43 AM

KC

Thoughts and prayers

Kimberlea Bennett Close - October 17, 2024 at 07:44 AM