



## Richard H. Taylor

October 25, 1931 - January 2, 2019

Richard H. Taylor, age 87, husband of Diana K. (Krewett) Taylor, a 53 year resident of Phoenixville, PA, passed away on Wednesday, January 2, 2019 in the Seasons Hospice, Phoenixville. Born on October 25, 1931 in Minot, North Dakota, he was a son of the late Paul K. and Gladys (Holmes) Taylor.

Mr. Taylor was born in North Dakota, then had moved to Ohio. He then relocated to Haddon Heights, NJ, where he met Diana and graduated high school. He and Diana were married in Laurel Springs, NJ. Mr. Taylor served in the National Guard from 1950-1953. He attended Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, and worked as a Fire Protection Engineer for Automatic Sprinkler Corporation of America, retiring in 1992. In his retirement, he worked and volunteered for the Phoenixville Library, and was a member of the Phoenixville Area YMCA for over 40 years. An early riser, he would typically arrive most mornings to the YMCA before they opened. Mr. Taylor enjoyed black and white nature photography, and had his own dark room in his home. He enjoyed swimming, crossword puzzles, watching Jeopardy, and tending to his large vegetable garden. He was a runner, competing in several 5K and 10K races. He loved to travel, biking in New Zealand for several weeks in 1987. An avid outdoorsman, he enjoyed camping and canoeing with his wife. Mr. Taylor was an active member of the Express Church in Phoenixville, where he found great meaning and support over the past several years. He was always punctual and on time, a characteristic he passed along to his children and

family.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Taylor is survived by three children, Denise P., wife of Joseph Tucker of Philadelphia, PA, Stephen P., husband of Holly Taylor of Lyons, CO, and Susan P., wife of Anthony Fanelli of Pleasanton, CA; five grandchildren, Julian, husband of Michelle Tucker, Jacob Taylor, Zoe Taylor, Andrea Fanelli, and Christina Fanelli; two siblings, Robert, husband of Kathro Taylor of Wisconsin and Florida and Martha Hostler of Ashland, OH; one niece and five nephews. Mr. Taylor was preceded in death by one sister, Barbara Jones, and one niece.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the his inurnment at the Columbarium Garden at St. John's, 355 St. John's Circle, Phoenixville, PA 19460 on Monday, January 7, 2019 at 11:00 AM. Officiating will be Pastor Justin M. Chapman. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in his name to the Phoenixville Area YMCA, 400 E. Pothouse Road, Phoenixville, PA 19460, to the Phoenixville Area Public Library, 183 Second Avenue, Phoenixville, PA 19460, or to the Express Church, 160 E. Pothouse Road, Phoenixville, PA 19460. Condolences may be made by visiting [www.PhoenixvilleFuneralHome.com](http://www.PhoenixvilleFuneralHome.com). Arrangements are being handled by the Campbell - Ennis - Klotzbach Funeral Home, Inc., Phoenixville, Pennsylvania.

# Cemetery Details

## The Columbarium Garden at St. John's

355 St. John's Circle  
Phoenixville, PA 19460

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

JAN 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Dick Taylor was a lifelong friend to my parents. Dick and Diana were raising their children at the same time my parents were raising us. I remember Dick as having a calm presence, passionate about his family and hobbies, including travel. I feel so thankful that I got to see Dick and Diana during a visit back to Pennsylvania, not too many years ago. After my mom passed away from cancer, Dick and Diana were there for my dad and for our family.

*Dick, you were loved by so many. You touched our family's heart and we are better people for having you in our lives. Our hearts go out to your family in this difficult time.*

*Shari Harris-Dunning*

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**Shari Harris-Dunning** - January 05, 2019 at 11:12 PM

DT

Thank you, Shari ❤️

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**Denise Tucker** - January 07, 2019 at 07:29 AM

LH

“ To the entire Taylor family we express our condolences.

*Rest In Peace kind and thoughtful “Mr. Dee.”*

*Lynn and Jim Herrmann*

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**Lynn Oliver and Jim Herrmann** - January 05, 2019 at 06:44 AM

DT

Thank you, Lynn & Jim ❤️

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**Denise Tucker** - January 07, 2019 at 07:30 AM

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*Dear Diana,*

*We are thinking. ...*

*\*We are thinking of \*You\**

*We are holding \*You\* in our thoughts.*

*\*We are saddened by your loss\**

*Please know we're here for you & your family*

*\*Sending \*You\* ( (((((((Hugs)))))) ) \*♥♥*

*♥♥ And Love, Amélie & Rich ♥♥♥♥*



Amélie B. Harris~McGeehan - January 04, 2019 at 09:18 AM

AH

“ Hi to Denny, Steve and Sue,



*I'm saddened to hear about the loss of your dad.*

*He and your mom have been wonderful friends to my parents, throughout these many many years!!!!*

*My mom referred to your mom as \*her Angel\* and my dad and your dad developed a very comfortable friendship.. . helping one another along the way.*

*As a child, I recall our family visiting you all many times in your beautiful home there in Phoenixville.. and the wonderful willow tree in the yard... \*feeling so welcomed there.\**

*Later on, I became aware of your dad's interest in photography. It was my first exposure to someone that I knew, who had a darkroom for developing photographs.*

*I remember being in awe of that, and all the many other things that your dad spent his time doing, and his appreciation for nature.*

*After my mom became quite ill with cancer and then lost her battle to it, your parents were Soooooo supportive & caring to my dad, getting together frequently for lunch.*

*Over these last couple of years, our dads continued to meet nearly every week for lunch and meaningful conversation. .. this meant A Lot to my dad, and to me also!!! \*He will miss his special friendship connection with your father.\**

*💛 I hold you all in the light.. 💛  
and, I'm sending you 💖💖 Love and Hugs💖💖  
from,  
Amélie B. Harris~McGeehan*

**Amélie B. Harris~McGeehan** - January 04, 2019 at 08:58 AM

DT

*Thank you so much, Amelie.  
--Dennie*

**Denise Tucker** - January 04, 2019 at 11:06 PM

AH

*\*Ohh. .. my apologies for misspelling  
your name.\**

**Amélie B. Harris~McGeehan** - January 05, 2019 at 05:06 PM

SF

*Thank you Amélie* 🍷🍷🍷

**Sue Fanelli** - February 17, 2019 at 02:22 AM