



Earle M. Schmuckle

March 6, 2015

Earle M. Schmuckle, 69, of Lancaster, died on Thursday, March 5, 2015 at Landis Homes, Lititz, PA. He was born in Lancaster, the son of the late Earle W. and the late Betty Jane Schmuckle.

Except for a few years living in Lititz and Willow Street, as a child, Earle lived his entire life in Lancaster City, which he loved. The last 56 years at his last address.

Earle graduated from J.P. McCaskey High School and Elizabethtown College.

Earle started his career at Dodge Cork Company as an accountant. He rose to become assistant treasurer of the company, and later decided to pursue a career in public service. Earle was elected as a Republican to one four-year term as city Treasurer. This was followed by two four-year terms as City Controller.

While at Lancaster City Hall, Earle purchased the Wabank Variety Store located in his neighborhood, which he operated with his family.

In 1985, Earle was asked to pursue further public service. He attended certification classes to become eligible to be elected a District Justice. He was subsequently elected to serve as a District Justice in the city's Fourth and

Eighth wards from 1986 to 1998.

After leaving office, Earle worked part-time at the Overlook Golf Course on the driving-range and as a starter/ranger.

Starting the summer of 2005, Earle enjoyed ushering at the Lancaster Barnstormer baseball games, in Section 20, which he did through the 2008 season. As a teen, he had worked at Stumpf Field selling concessions in the stands. He liked to say that he may be the only one to have worked at both ballparks.

Earle was born into the Lancaster Moravian Church, and was a life-long member.

Surviving is a sister, Cynthia J., wife of Joseph K. Martin of Orlando, FL and a brother, Douglas L. husband of Carla W. Schmuckle, Lititz, PA. In addition, he is survived by two dear nieces, Jessica E. and Christine D. Martin of Orlando, FL.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a viewing and visitation for Earle on Sunday, March 8, 2015 from 3:00- 5:00 p.m. at The Groffs Family Funeral & Cremation Services, 528 W. Orange Street (corner of Orange and Pine Sts.), Lancaster, PA.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Earle's memory can be made to Ann B. Barshinger Cancer Institute, 2102 Harrisburg Pike, Lancaster, PA 17601.

Tribute Wall



“ *Earle M. Schmuckle*

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *To the family of Earle, I'm sorry for your loss.*

*I met Earle at the Lancaster Barnstormers. He was the usher in section 20 for 2 of the years and then he became one of us observers in row 20. He was always an interesting person to talk to. I will miss him and I'm sure the rest of row 20 and those in the other rows of the stadium will also.
Rest in Peace, Earle!*

Barb McGee - March 10, 2015 at 07:06 PM



“ *I met Earl at Overlook Golf Course when I worked at the Sandtrap. A kind and caring man will be missed by many at Overlook. I'm sure Doug will be thinking of him especially while golfing!*

Sue Funk - March 09, 2015 at 04:02 PM

RV

“ To the family of Earle,

I was saddened to hear of Earle's passing. I had the pleasure and privilege of knowing Earle these past several years. From our first conversation, my nickname for him was "Early" as he quipped "I'm early but never late for dinner!" I always enjoyed our conversations however brief, touching on religion, the history of Lancaster and the Movarian church among other things.

No words can take away the pain of your family's loss. Though our loved ones are never far as heaven is all around us, we just cannot see it with the naked eye. I know without a shadow of a doubt he is now enjoying Divine Bliss in the presence of God.

My life is enriched for knowing him. May you feel God's loving embrace during this painful time. Early was a special person who touched many with his pleasant, humble, genuine demeanor.

*Sincerely,
Rachel Victor*

Rachel Victor - March 09, 2015 at 09:57 AM

LJ

“ *I'll miss seeing Earl on the Overlook course where he often watched and encouraged us as we played. I send my heartfelt sympathy to his family, and especially to his brother, Doug. He was a great man and contributed so much to his community.*

Liz Jones

Liz Jones - March 08, 2015 at 08:54 AM

SS

“ I remember Earle through his store and his father. My late husband John had many memories of spending time in his store. We also would see him at Willow Valley Restaurant. Prayers to Cindy and Doug at this difficult time.

Sallie Spotts - March 08, 2015 at 08:23 AM

JK

“ I've always missed our ping-pong games during the sermon at the old Moravian Church in Lancaster.
RIP my friend.

Jim Kautz - March 08, 2015 at 01:21 AM

DD

“ Earle was a wonderful person and always took such good care of our Mother at Lancaster Moravian Church's Christmas Eve Vigils. He will be sorely missed. My deepest sympathy to all of the family.

Deborah Dunn - March 07, 2015 at 04:48 PM

BM

“ I was blessed and honored to meet Earle the first year of the Barnstormers when we ushered beside each other. We became instant friends. We both shared a passion for baseball and going out to eat. We began meeting at different restaurants almost on a weekly basis and continued to do that right up until his recent hospitalization. I will truly miss my good friend. I hope endless shrimp is on the menu in heaven.

bob means - March 07, 2015 at 12:08 PM