



George T. Heidig

July 8, 2017

George T. Heidig, 80, of Lancaster, passed away peacefully on Saturday, July 8, 2017 in the company of his family.

Born in Lancaster, PA, George was the son of the late J. Andrew and Louella Trout Heidig and the husband of Emma (Jean) Maser Heidig. They were married on June 16, 1963, recently celebrating their 54th anniversary.

He graduated from Stevens College of Technology prior to graduating from Millersville University. He worked on his Master's degree through Temple University. He proudly served his country with the United States Navy during the Korean War as a Radar Man for 4 years.

George spent 30 years with the School District of Lancaster, working as an Industrial Arts teacher at Lincoln Junior High School. He also worked for Fred F. Groff, Inc., for 42 years assisting numerous families and services. He was an active member of the Church of the Apostles, United Church of Christ where he served on the property committee as well as ushering teams, and Relay for Life team. He was a former member of 1st United Methodist Church in Millersville. He was a member of the Salvation Army where he served on the Board of Directors for 25 years and was involved with the Christmas programs. He was a member of the Pennsylvania State Education Association. He enjoyed spending winters in Bradenton, Florida, specialized in woodworking projects and loved to swim. Most of all his passion in life was his family as a devoted husband, father, and grandfather. He also enjoyed attending concerts and the theater as well as playing golf. He did volunteer

work at Homestead Village.

In addition to his wife, Jean, he is survived by two daughters, Dr. Kimberly Heidig Salata, wife of Dr. James Salata, Winchester, VA and Karen Heidig Longwater, wife of Dr. Adam Longwater, Virginia Beach, VA; two brothers, T. Andrew Jr., husband of Ethel Mae Heidig and James, husband of Barbara Heidig, both of Lancaster, PA, six grandchildren, Kathryn Salata, Elizabeth Salata, Allison Salata, Madison Longwater, Caden Longwater, and Reese Emma Longwater. A brother, William T. Heidig preceded him in death. He is survived by a sister-in-law, Mary Lou Heidig.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend George's Celebration of Life Memorial Service at the Church of the Apostles, United Church of Christ, 1850 Marietta Ave., Lancaster, PA 17603 on Saturday, August 5, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. with The Rev. Dave Longenecker, Chaplain at Homestead Village and Heather Giffen, Associate Pastor officiating. Private interment will be held at the Memorial Garden of the Church. Friends may call at the Church on Saturday from 9:30 a.m. until time of service. Interment will be at the discretion of the family.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent to the Church of the Apostles, UCC, 1850 Marietta Ave., Lancaster, PA 17603 or The Salvation Army, 131 S. Queen Street, Lancaster, PA 17603.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 5. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Church of the Apostles UCC
1850 Marietta Ave
Lancaster, PA 17603

Memorial Service

AUG 5. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ George T. Heidig

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ Dear Jean and family, I am sorry we will not be in town for George's services, but wanted to let you know we are so sorry for your loss. George was one of the kindest, nicest guys we ever met. I loved his sense of humor and will never forget the good times we shared. I wonder if he is up there telling the "washy, washy" joke! Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this sad time. Love, Karen and Ron Flick

Karen Flick - July 14, 2017 at 10:57 AM



“ Dear Jean and Family,
Having been a friend of George and Jean since 1967 when we first met at Lincoln JHS, I want to express my deepest sympathy to all family members. What I most appreciated about George was his humor, his willingness to help at any time, and those great Christmas parties on Hershey Ave. George always helped me with every concert I did at Lincoln by doing special effects, running lights and sound, and setting up the stage. He and other friends helped me construct a new screened in porch in 1968. It was during these times that George's humor would have us all laughing. A great man who will be missed.
Peace...Dave and Rochelle

David Rentschler - July 14, 2017 at 08:16 AM



“ *Uncle George*

*I remember when I was little
And you were kind and strong
You never really changed a bit
As life has moved along*

*You left me beautiful memories
Your Love will be my guide
And though I cannot see you
You are always by my side*

*I will think of you as living
In the hearts of those you touched
For nothing loved is ever lost
And you were loved so much*

*You always have been there for me
In good times and in bad
To laugh with me and happy times
And cry with me in sad*

*Our family chain is broken
And things won't be the same
But as God calls us one by one
Our chain will link again
Love Helen Marie*

Helen Pike - July 13, 2017 at 04:14 AM

RH

“ *Our Deepest Sympathy to you and your family.*

Art and Arline Hulme

robert hulme - July 12, 2017 at 08:17 PM



“ *It was a pleasure to know George when I worked at Lincoln. He was a sweet and gentle man, always pleasant. I am sure his family has many happy memories of him. My condolences to the family. Marie Haney*

Marie Haney - July 11, 2017 at 05:04 PM

RM

“ *Mr. Heidig was my industrial arts teacher at Lincoln in 1977 to 1979. He taught me a lot about wood working and refinishing wood and drawing . He was an excellent teacher and very very nice kind person. I am sure his family will miss him a lot. I remember at that time Mr. Heidig and a couple of the other teachers worked at Groff's funeral home and would tell us stories about what went on there weather they where true or not i don't know because he would laugh after he told some of them. God bless to the family. Randy L. McVey*

RANDY MCVEY - July 11, 2017 at 03:58 PM

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“ *Mr. Heidig was my Industrial Arts teacher at Lincoln Junior High in the 80's. I remember him being so patient with his students. My mother still displays the wooden candle holders that Mr. Heidig helped me perfect. He was kind and always had a smile on his face. He is one of those teachers that impacts you and never forget. My condolences to the family and thoughts and prayers.*

Christy Schmalhofer - July 11, 2017 at 12:57 PM

KB

“ George was a wonderful man and an inspiration. He was immensely proud of his family and always spoke of their newest accomplishments and happenings. His work ethic was impeccable and he shared his enthusiasm wherever he went. It was a privilege to work with George and he will be missed by all who knew him. May the Lord hold you, his beloved family, in the palm of His hand as you celebrate and remember his life.

kris bostian - July 11, 2017 at 12:22 PM

SV

My Dear Jean, it was sad news to hear that Sweet George had left this planet earth but knowing him I am certain that he has found a special place with Our Lord. I lost Paul 2 years ago so I can understand what you are going through. As we always visited with the two of you together if you are feeling lonely you may give me a call and I will try to be of help to you. You may find life difficult from time to time but you can remember all the good times. When I think of George I see him with the little ones in the Burgundy pool. He sure loved those grandchildren and it showed. I will pray that the Lord will support you in this time of sadness, from Him comes our strength. God Bless You and your family.

Shirley Vonderheide - July 14, 2017 at 07:33 AM



“ It was great to work with George at The Salvation Army! He was a great guy who loved to serve others.

Stu Metzler - July 11, 2017 at 11:58 AM

HS

“ George was a gem. Great to work with and a wonderful story teller.

Harlo Smith - July 11, 2017 at 10:15 AM