



George W. Knapp

May 1, 2020

George W. Knapp, 89, of Brethren Village, Lititz, PA, passed away on Friday, May 1, 2020 at Hospice & Community Care in Mount Joy, PA. He was born in Philadelphia, PA, the son of the late James and Lottie (Kroust) Knapp. George was married to the late Geraldine (Carota) Knapp who passed away in 2001.

He worked at Alumax in Lancaster in sales, graduated from Gettysburg College with a Bachelor of Arts Degree, and a Masters of Business Administration Degree from Temple University. Mr. Knapp served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War.

He was a man of faith, a very active member of Highland Presbyterian Church; past president of South Eastern PA Council on Drug and Alcohol Abuse; and the Retired Military Officers Assoc. George was known for his wordplay and storytelling.

Surviving are his children, Barbara J. Knapp, and Michael "Jim" married to Julie A. Knapp; his grandsons, James Knapp, and Joseph Knapp. He was preceded in death by his siblings, Charlotte, James, and Marjorie.

Private Services will be at the convenience of the family.

Contributions may be made to Water Street Rescue Mission.

Tribute Wall



“ George W. Knapp

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ Barbara,
I am so sorry to hear of your dad's passing. He was always such a kind man when I would serve him at Ciro's. Condolences to you and your family.

*Sincerely,
Allison Davis*

Allison Davis - January 20, 2021 at 06:29 PM



“ George was a good friend for many years and a fellow Gettysburgian. He was an active member of the Lancaster Gettysburg Alumni group through we shared memories. For many years, we had a fall corn roast for all of the freshmen and their parents who were going to G-Burg. The team of four of us would roast about twenty dozens ears of corn on an open fireplace covered with wet burlap bags. We each had our own specific jobs and George was our fireman. He was in charge of building the fire and keeping it going for several hours. He took it very serious and we had a lot of funds and good memories. We were also part of a wine tasing group who met once a month.

George was a great friend and I always enjoyed his stories. My sincerest condolences to the family.

Ron Fink '58

Ron Fink - June 14, 2020 at 03:10 PM

MA

“ Dear Barbara & Jim, I'm so sorry you lost you Dad. He was a great man. My dear husband, Bob, who just passed away Feb. 2nd, & I were good friends of both your parents for many years. We loved our tennis friends--playing tennis & having dinner at each others homes afterwards. You, Barbara, were at our home with him yrs. ago after we played tennis. What fun we had for a long time. We had a great conversation with him when he called us about 2 months ago. I hope he didn't suffer. My thoughts & prayers are with all of you.



Fondly, Mary Anne Aichele

Mary Anne Aichele - May 06, 2020 at 10:40 AM

KS

“ I have had the privilege and pleasure to share time with George over the last several years. George filled a void in my life that I didn't realize was even missing. He was a friend, he was kind and caring! George cared about so many people and causes. He would always laugh when I would tell him “George you know somethings about everything and everything about somethings”! I will miss George terribly! Thank you Barbara and Jim for sharing your dad with me!

Love,
Katie

Katie Smith - May 06, 2020 at 07:25 AM

CG

“ We live at Brethren Village and truly enjoyed knowing George. He was always smiling and had a happy hello for us. We will surely miss him and the wonderful conversations we had with him. It was truly a pleasure to have known him. He was a knowledgeable man who could carry on a long and funny conversation. We will miss him!

Connie and Doug Grow

Connie and Doug Grow - May 05, 2020 at 01:30 PM

DS

“ All members of the Lancaster Chapter Military Officers Association of America are deeply saddened to learn of George's passing. He was an long time active member of the association serving several terms on the board of directors and many years as the nominations committee chair. George was usually the first person members would see when attending dinner meetings as he handed out name tags with his warm smile and a hearty welcome. He is well remembered for his pleasant personality and willingness to always help in any way he could. His presence has been sorely missed the past few years as declining health limited his participation. We send our heartfelt condolences to his family.

David W. Shelton, Lt. Col. USAF (Ret)
President, Lancaster Chapter MOAA

David Shelton - May 04, 2020 at 04:14 PM

JB

“ I had the pleasure of working with George for many years on the MOAA Board. He was a wonderful man and took great pride in welcoming each member to every meeting. As I drove him home from meetings he recalled how happy he was with his work before retirement and his contributions to MOAA. We all will miss him.

John Burke

John Burke - May 04, 2020 at 01:34 PM

HF

“ I have known George since my days of working for the Lancaster Chamber in the 1970's. He was always kind and considerate of others. It was never more apparent than when we would serve communion to home bound members of Highland Presbyterian Church. He was always keenly concerned for those we visited. He was a wonderful person and a great friend to many. I will miss my many conversations with him. May he rest in peace. Harry Flick

Harry Flick - May 04, 2020 at 01:17 PM

AH

“ Our condolences, Barbara and Jim.
George, the consummate gentleman was always pleasant and dapper. He invariably brought a smile to both of us even before his invariable response of "splendid" to an inquiry as to his health. We will miss him as a friend and neighbor.

Bonnie and Allen Hauser

Allen Hauser - May 04, 2020 at 12:43 PM

CM

“ Barbara + Jim - I just spoke with your father about two weeks ago - we were to get together, as soon as the 'virus lockdown' was lifted. I've known George, since 1971 - he was a salesman with Howmet - I was just out of high school and hired as secretary for the Eastern Regional Sales Office. He then joined the Human Resources Dept. and moved to Lancaster - I followed a year or so later, becoming secretary to the Sales Department. We got to work together again, when he became Sales Manager. Both your mother and father were special people to our family, over the years. Have never met either of you, but let's just say, they were very proud parents! It's always been a joy seeing and talking with George ~ especially reminiscing about the 'old days.' He will be missed - With deepest sympathy - Cathy & Ringo

Catherine Marzolf - May 04, 2020 at 12:10 PM

JL

“ I am so sorry for your loss, Barbara and Jim. As the alumni director at Gettysburg College since 2000, I had the pleasure of knowing your father through his 70s and 80s. There was not a nicer man on the planet, and seeing him resplendent in his Orange & Blue bow ties when he returned to campus always made me smile. He was also a fraternity brother of my father-in-law (Don Woods, Class of '53), so we had that additional connection, too.

Again, please accept my condolences, while I also join you in celebrating his well-lived life.

With Sympathy,

Joe Lynch '85

Joe Lynch - May 04, 2020 at 11:09 AM

SM

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Steven Morrow - May 04, 2020 at 10:28 AM

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Steven Morrow - May 04, 2020 at 10:27 AM