



ROBERT R. WERTZ

September 17, 2012

Robert Ray Wertz, 85, of 600 East Roseville Road, #2306, Lancaster, PA 17601, died peacefully on Sunday, September 16, 2012, at Hospice and Community Care in Mount Joy, PA. He was the husband of Jean Burger Wertz. They would have celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary in November. Born in Somerset, PA on June 14, 1927, he was the son of the late William Harvey Wertz and Elsie Shanks Wertz. The family moved from Somerset to Lancaster to Elkton, MD, then to Dover, DE.

A graduate of Dover High School, Bob served in the United States Navy from June of 1945 to July of 1946. He began working for Diamond State Telephone Company first in Dover and then worked as an engineer for Bell of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia for most of his career. He resided in Wilmington, DE for more than 55 years before moving to The Long Community at Highland in Lancaster in January.

He was a long-time member of Concord Presbyterian Church in Wilmington where he served as a deacon. He spent many years volunteering with the Bell Telephone Pioneers working on their Talking Books project for the blind. He was a Free and Accepted Mason and belonged to Union Lodge #7 A.F. & A.M. in Dover.

He enjoyed gardening, traveling, hunting and trap shooting. He especially

enjoyed spending time on the Chesapeake Bay with his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his daughter Lynn and her husband Timothy W. Peters of Lancaster, his son Robert R. Wertz Jr and his partner Michael R. Dailey of St. Petersburg, FL; Grandchildren Timothy W Peters Jr and his wife Elizabeth of Lancaster and Megan P. Glenn and her husband Lee of Reston, VA; Great grandchildren Timothy III (Tripp), Kent and Elizabeth Markley Peters of Lancaster and Zachary, James and Michael Glenn of Reston. He is also survived by two sisters: Mary Laverne Milnes of Pittsburgh, PA and Glennis Johansen of Ashburn, VA, and sisters-in-law Betty Casson of Wilmington, DE and Peggy Spears of Covington, GA and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by two brothers William H. and Donald W. Wertz.

A private burial will take place at Lakeside Cemetery in Dover, DE in October.

The family wishes to thank the Hospice staff for the kind and compassionate care they provided. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Hospice and Community Care, 685 Good Drive, PO Box 4125, Lancaster, PA 17604.

Tribute Wall



“ *ROBERT R. WERTZ*

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *Mrs. Wertz,
We are your neighbors in Wilmington. My wife, twin girls and I are very sorry to hear of Mr. Wertz' passing. He was the friendliest of men and we enjoyed talking with him during his walks around the neighborhood. We will miss him!
Peter Curran*

The Currans - September 20, 2012 at 08:25 PM



“ *Lived next to Bob and Jean for many years in Northshire. Always had a smile on his face and a pleasant greeting (or two!!)
I am so sorry for your loss. He was a wonderful man.....
Sue and Guy Wharton, Corky, Kyle, Abigail and Kevin*

Susan Wharton - September 20, 2012 at 05:31 AM



“ *Jean I am so sorry to hear of Bob's passing. What a great guy. Take care.Blessings Phil & Carol*

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“ To The Wertz Family,

I had the pleasure of working for and with your father from 1977 until his retirement. Much of my success in Central Office Engineering can be attributed to the training received by Bob. His greatest gift may have been not knowing the answer but the right person to ask.

Your father (My Friend and Mentor) will be in our prayers. Thank you for sharing him with me.

Mike Lennon

Michael Lennon - September 18, 2012 at 08:40 PM