

ROBERT VINCENT CASEY, SR.

September 20, 1924 - October 8, 2023



Robert died peacefully surrounded by his wife of 75 years, Natalie, and members of his family.

Bob was born on Pittsburgh's North Side to the late Thomas Joseph Casey and Carrie Rose (Bosley). He was the second of four brothers, Tom, Walt and Jack who have all predeceased him.

Bob grew up during the Depression and often told his family about his memories of

the St. Patrick's Day flood of 1936, traveling to Forbes Field on street cars, being given free Steeler tickets by Art Rooney to games at Forbes Field in Oakland when the Steelers and the NFL were in their infancy, and his time in the service during WWII.

Bob was graduated from Allegheny High School and immediately enlisted with the US Army Air Corps (the predecessor to the US Air Force) where he served honorably as a waist gunner on a B24 Liberator and flew 47 missions with the famed "Jolly Rogers" of the 90th Bomb Group. While in the service and home on leave, he met the love of his life, Natalie Miller at his old high school during a dance when Natalie approached him while he was in uniform saying "Hey soldier, do you have a penny?" Bob often joked that she's been asking for money ever since!

He attended Pitt on the GI Bill, lettering in baseball, and was graduated with a degree in Journalism.

Bob worked various sales jobs after graduation before starting and running Casey Insulation, a family run business now run by his son and grandson. Bob was one of the last true business people who would conduct business on a handshake. His word was his bond and he was proud that he never failed to honor any of his contracts.

Bob was a lifelong fan of the Pittsburgh Pirates and Steelers, Pitt Panthers and whatever team and sport a member of his family was involved in. He hoped to live long enough to see the Pirates win another World Series, his grandchildren and great-grandchildren now take up that dream. Up until recently, he rarely missed any event his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren were involved in.

He enjoyed traveling with Natalie and family members, doing volunteer work with Meals on Wheels and watching Natalie perform with the Saint Teresa Players. Above all else, Bob loved his family. At any family gathering, you'd find him sitting back with a contented smile just watching and enjoying all that was going on.

Bob and Natalie were blessed with four children, Kathleen (Ernie) Overstreet, Sandra (George) O'Leary, Maureen (Eric) Fischer, and Robert (Sue) Casey; four grandchildren, Shaun (Sharon) Casey, Shannon Casey, Maximillian (Kristie) Fischer, and Sebastian (Lauren) Fischer; six great-grandchildren, Carter Casey, Lorenzo Proie, Giovanni Proie, Ryleigh Casey, Theo Fischer, and Otto Fischer. He is also survived and loved by numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be Friday, October 13, 2023, at **DEVLIN FUNERAL HOME**, 806 Perry Highway, Pittsburgh 15229 from 3-7 pm. A funeral Mass will be held 10 am on Saturday, October 14, 2023, at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish, St. Teresa of Avila Church, 1000 Avila Court Pittsburgh 15237 followed immediately by an Interment Service at Christ The Redeemer Cemetery 204 Cemetery Lane, Pittsburgh 15237. In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to: VFW Post 2754 West View Post, 386 Perry Highway, Pittsburgh, PA 15229

He was truly one of the best of the "Greatest Generation" and will be sorely missed by all who had the honor of knowing him.

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