

# WILLIAM ANTHONY PALMER PALMER, SR.

"BILL"



On Thursday, November 9, 2023, William "Bill" Anthony Palmer Sr. passed peacefully at the age of 92 in his Squirrel Hill home surrounded by his family. Bill is preceded in death by his father and mother, Anthony and May Palmer. He is survived by his loving wife of 67 years, Shirley May (Hendershot). He was brother to Mary Jane (Paul) Tomasovich, the late Albert "Babe" (Patty) Palmer, and the late Anthony "Junie"

(Kathy) Palmer; loving father of William (Vicki) Palmer Jr., Lauren (Robert) Pascarella, Alison (Robin) Lampenfeld, and Daniel (Helene) Palmer; devoted grandfather to William (Lauren) Palmer III, Madison (Jay) Obstarczyk, Alexandria Palmer, Amanda (Brandon) Haddaway, Robert Pascarella, Caroline (Jake) Brumley, Steven Pascarella, Olivia (Stash) Breinich, Caleb (Mary) Lampenfeld, Charlotte Lampenfeld, Nathan Lampenfeld, Cassandra (Bradley) Lalli, Daniel (Moriya) Palmer Jr., and Timothy (Alexi) Palmer, one-of-a-kind great grandfather to Patrick, Camille, Quinn, Avery, Gianna, Benjamin, Katherine, Vincent, Roman, Joseph, Charlie, and Adrian; doting uncle to numerous nieces and nephews, and notorious baseball coach to the Pony and Colt leagues of Swisshelm Park.

He served in the US Army from 1952 through 1954 and completed his service as a recipient of a Purple Heart, Combat Infantryman Badge, Bronze Service Star, Korean Service Medal, National Defense Service Medal, United Nations Service Medal, and Good Conduct Medal.

Bill's 65-year career as a building contractor in Pittsburgh was a product of determination and creativity that he shared as a teacher and mentor to many, including his sons, grandsons, and nephews.

Bill/Dad/Uncle Bill/Poppa/Mr. Palmer shared his affection and wisdom in many ways — kisses on the cheek, firm handshakes, pats on the back, perfectly-improvised ghost stories, hilarious wit, special nicknames, or a fresh batch of pizzelles — to everyone fortunate enough to be loved and respected by him.

Bill was a generous, thoughtful, courageous, attentive, self-made, and formidable man, and his memory will be immortal.

Friends will be received on Sunday, November 12, 2023 from 2 p.m. – 8 p.m. at the **THOMAS L. NIED FUNERAL HOME INC.** 7441 Washington Street, Swissvale. A funeral service will be celebrated at St. Bede Church, St. Mary Magdalene Parish in Point Breeze on Monday, November 13, 2023 at 10:30 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Bill's favorite charity.

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