

STEPHEN F. OROSZ, SR.



Stephen F. Orosz, Sr., known affectionately as Steve, passed away peacefully on November 30, 2023, in his beloved town of Chalfant at the age of 92. Born on August 7, 1931, Steve's life was marked by his dedicated service to his country and his unwavering commitment to his community and his family.

Steve is survived by his loving wife of 67 years, Emily J. (Rehak) Orosz; his son, Stephen F. Orosz, Jr. of Somerset; and his daughter, Luann S. Orosz Bouvier of Chalfant.

Steve graduated from Turtle Creek High School in 1949 and soon after served his country in the Air Force during the Korean War. Upon his return, he pursued higher education at the University of Pittsburgh, graduating Cum Laude in just three years - a testament to his intellect and determination.

Professionally, Steve had a long and respected career with PPG, where he excelled as an Employee Benefits Manager. Beyond his professional endeavors, Steve was a pillar of the Chalfant community. His passion for public service was evident through his many roles, including serving on the Chalfant Borough Council and as the esteemed Mayor of Chalfant for 24 years, during which he performed over 100 wedding ceremonies. His leadership and vision were instrumental in the well-being of the town he so loved.

Steve was a former volunteer with the Chalfant Fire Department, a Founder of the Chalfant Crime Watch, Chalfant Servicemen's Officer, and former member and President of Allegheny County Mayor's Association. From his youth, Steve was deeply involved in the Boy Scouts, achieving the prestigious Eagle Scout rank and later sharing his wisdom as the Scout Master for the Chalfant Boy Scout troop, a WEBELOS Scout Leader and Chalfant Little League Coach.

In recognition of his selfless service, Steve was honored with a Lifetime Achievement Award from Senator Jay Costa and the PA Senate. His contributions to Chalfant were not just acts of duty but were driven by a genuine passion for the well-being of every resident.

Steve's interests extended beyond his civic duties. He was the unofficial historian of Chalfant, preserving and sharing the rich tapestry of the town's past and he was a member and elder of the Forest Hills Presbyterian Church and enjoyed singing in the choir. He enjoyed cheering and rooting on the Pittsburgh sports teams and those of his alma mater, the University of Pittsburgh.

Described as passionate and spirited, Steve's influence reached far and wide. His warm presence and unwavering spirit will be profoundly missed by all who knew him. Steve's love for his borough, neighbors and family always shined through.

Steve F. Orosz, Sr. was a beacon of service and a testament to the impact one individual can have on a community.

Friends are welcome to a Memorial Visitation on Thursday, December 7, from 3-7 p.m. at **PATRICK T. LANIGAN FUNERAL HOME AND CREMATORY, INC.**, 700 Linden Avenue at Cable Avenue, East Pittsburgh (412-824-8800).

A memorial service for Steve will take place in the funeral home on Friday, December 8 at 11 a.m.

Interment will be private at William Penn Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to Animal Friends, 562 Camp Horne Rd., Pgh., PA 15237 or www.thinkingoutsidethecage.org.

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