

## RICHARD I. "DICK" HORN



Richard I. "Dick" Horn died surrounded by his children on Christmas morning at the age of 89. Dick was preceded in death by his wife of nearly 60 years, Betty; and his sister, Lois Farabaugh. He is survived by his children, Leslie Shuman (Steve), Scott Horn (Lisa) and Brad Horn (Susan); as well as as four grandchildren, Elizabeth, Kathryn, Madeline and Reagan; and his most recent four legged companion,

yellow lab, Dudley. Dick was born with the heart of an explorer. He loved to tell stories of his adventures as a youth exploring the Allegheny River and the rugged hills that surround it. He was raised in Arnold, graduating from Arnold High School in 1952. He served his country in the Army as an engineer supply specialist based at Ft. Belvoir, VA. He loved to tell stories from his experiences there. Dick utilized the GI bill to attend Robert Morris College night school to earn his business degree. Dick found his lifetime career with the People's Natural Gas Company where he worked for over 35 years before retiring. Dick met the love of his life, Betty Ann (Betts) as he liked to call her, in 1958 where they both worked for People's Gas. They married in 1960 and purchased their forever home in Plum Borough. Here they built a home of love, laughter and faith for their children. Dick became a self-taught do it yourselfer taking on remodeling projects, pool repairs, even building a barn to house several horses. In the eyes of his children, there was nothing he couldn't do. During this phase of his life, Dick kept in touch with his exploring nature with the purchase of a pleasure boat where he was able to see much of his beloved Allegheny River from the water, instilling a love of life on the water and pleasure boating to his children. Dick was active in various church leadership positions at Union Presbyterian Church and the Plum Kiwanis Club during his working years. In retirement, he rekindled his love of exploring, enjoying several decades of RV travel. He loved trips to Myrtle Beach and East Tennessee especially. Later in life, his exploring found him visiting family with trips to Tennessee where he loved time on the lake and Thanksgiving in Michigan. In 2023, at the age of 89, he proudly participated in the family processions at the weddings of two of his granddaughters! Dick was a man of character, he loved his family and his country well. He valued honesty and integrity above all else. He demonstrated his faith daily through service to church and others and by example to all who knew him. He will be sorely missed. The family will be receiving visitors at the **SOXMAN FUNERAL HOME**, 7450 Saltsburg Rd., Pittsburgh, PA 15235 on Thursday, December 28, 2023, from 3-6 p.m. Funeral Services to be held at Union Presbyterian Church on Friday morning at 11 a.m. Everyone please meet at church. Burial to follow at Plum Creek Cemetery chapel with lunch provided afterward at the church. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Dick's memory to Union Presbyterian Church, 656 State Route, 380 Murrysville, PA 15668.

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