

# **RICHARD A. "DICK" WEST**

1929-2024



Richard A. "Dick" West, age 94, died at home in Monroeville, PA, on January 25, 2024. He was surrounded by family as he passed in his sleep. Dick was born on February 16, 1929, to Adam Joseph West and Kathryn Weirauch West, and grew up on the North Side of Pittsburgh where he starred on both the Football and Baseball team at Oliver High School. After High School, Dick went to work at

Thorofare Markets in the Strip District. Two years later, he was drafted into the Army and spent his time coordinating freight and logistics for one quadrant of Germany during the post-war Marshall Plan. Returning home, Dick married Ann Mikesell West, and moved to Monroeville when Thorofare relocated to Murrysville. A lifetime fan of all Pittsburgh sports teams, he combined sports with his love of family by coaching youth football and baseball teams. As his children grew up, he took a prominent role in the Gateway Gator Football Booster Club from the late 60's to the early 80's. While in Germany, he learned to ski, and when Boyce Park opened in the early 1960's, he taught each of his children to ski. Dick is survived by his brother Howard, of Ligonier, PA. He is also survived by his seven children, Rick West (Jeneane) of Marysville, TN, Gary West (Laurie) of Estero, FL, Scott West (Chris) of Spring, TX, Ron West (Judy) of Birmingham, AL, Dale West (Lisa) of Murrysville, PA, Brad West (Rebecca) of Edgar, WI, and Janet Grzesiak (Gary) of Bonita Springs, FL. At the end of his career, Dick spent ten years at Gulf Research in Harmarville, and sold real estate in the eastern suburbs of Pittsburgh. He enjoyed traveling to visit his 20 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren. Having lived in Monroeville for 68 years, he also enjoyed "running into" many of his past acquaintances around town. His beloved wife Ann M. West, passed on November 2, 2023. A Visitation for Dick and Memorial Visitation for Ann will be held on Tuesday, January 30, 2024, from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the **GENE H. CORL FUNERAL CHAPEL INC. AND CREMATION SERVICES OF MONROEVILLE**, 4335 Northern Pike (412-372-2100). A Mass of Christian Burial for both Dick and Ann will be held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, January 31, 2024, at Christ the Divine Shepherd Parish at St. Bernadette Church, 245 Azalea Drive, Monroeville. Interment following in the National Cemetery of the Alleghenies. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the National Kidney Foundation, [www.kidney.org](http://www.kidney.org). To leave online condolences, please visit:

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