

JACK THURN



Jack Thurn, of Richmond VA, a longtime resident of Level Green, Pennsylvania, passed away March 3, 2024, at the age of 94. Jack was a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, and friend to many. He was preceded in death by his wife of 61 years, Marilyn Schenck Thurn; and brothers, Walter H. Thurn and Robert Thurn. He was survived by daughters, Luanne Thurn Kolleda of Richmond, VA, and

Julie Thurn Gluck (Kevin) of Beavercreek, OH. He was also survived by grandchildren, Joshua Kolleda (Bettina), Cameron Kolleda, Aaron Kolleda (Kasey), Ali Kolleda, Ashtyn Gluck, and Liam Gluck; great-grandchildren Luna Kolleda, Leo Kolleda, and Louis Kolleda.

Jack was born on December 28, 1929, to Walter H. Thurn and Jacqueline A. Thurn, in Pitcairn, PA. He grew up "on the hill" in Pitcairn and told many wonderful stories about family and friends during those years. Jack graduated from Pitcairn High School in 1947 and served with the U.S. Army in Anchorage, Alaska during the Korean War until his discharge in September of 1953. Following his military service, Jack worked for BAR Development, driving heavy equipment for a successful developer of commercial and residential real estate in the Pittsburgh area until his retirement. Jack was an active member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Pitcairn, eventually becoming a long-time member of Level Green United Presbyterian Church. Nature photography was his passion, taking thousands of photographs and many movies over the last 75 years. After retirement, Jack and Marilyn traveled throughout the US and Europe, often visiting their daughters and their families. Jack was always positive about his long, healthy life and how "lucky" he had been in his lifetime.

His family is grateful to the staff of St. Mary's Woods Assisted Living and Our Lady of Hope Health Care Center for their care since his move to Richmond, Virginia in 2021.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions to: Westmoreland Conservation District, at <https://westmorelandconservation.org/donate/>. Internment and Memorial Service will take place at a later date at Twin Valley Memorial Park, Delmont, PA.

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