JOSEPH WAYNE SMITH



Peacefully on April 9, 2024, Joseph Wayne Smith, 89. Glenshaw Born on May 1934 in McKees Rocks to Joseph Peter and Gladys (Jones) Smith. He graduated from Langley High School class of June 1952. His career started at Bell Telephone directly after graduation. From 1955-1957 he served in the US Army, Upon honorable discharge serving in the Army Reserves until 1963, he continue to

work for Bell Telephone until his retirement in 1992. He married Rebecca Jane Galley from Dickerson Run, Fayette Co., on April 5, 1958 and recently celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary. Together, they started their married life on Runnymeade St. in Ingram. In 1968 they moved to Shaler Twp. and resided there until moving to Glenshaw in 2002. Wayne was an avid golfer and an exceptional duck-pin bowler and a member of the Etna Elks and F&AM. He also was a skilled card player enjoying double pinochle and 500 and working the New York Times crossword. He fancied a perfect Manhattan or a good old Iron City beer. He will be remembered as a soft-spoken gentleman with a quick sense of humor. He was preceded in death by his parents; stepmother Eleanor Jones Smith; brothers Wallace Jones. Blair (Ted) Jones, and Robert Smith; and son-in-law Keith Dougherty. He survived by his wife Rebecca; sons Stuart (Katie) Smith and Scott (Necia) Smith; daughter Susan (Kurt Grottenthaler) Dougherty; grandchildren, Owen Dougherty, Alainna Dougherty, Madelyn Smith, Elsie Smith, and Luke Smith; sister Shirley (Illig) McNutt; and many nieces and nephews. Friends received Saturday, 2-7 p.m. at SIMONS FUNERAL HOME, INC., 7720 Perry Hwy., Pgh., PA 15237 where the funeral service will be held on Monday at 11:30 a.m. Memorial donations in Wayne's memory may be directed to the Alzheimer's Association alz.org.

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