

ROBERT W. BAIRD



Of Churchill, age 97, went to be with the Lord on Wednesday, May 29, 2024. He was born in New Castle, PA, to J.W. and Hazel Baird. Bob deeply loved his family and friends. He will continue to be cherished and missed by his wife Louise of nearly 67 years; his daughter, Allyson Sveda and her husband, John; and grandsons, Robert (fiancée Charlotte) and Andrew.

After graduating as high school valedictorian, Bob was drafted in the Army and served as an MP during the occupation of Germany immediately after WWII. He kept many photos and memorabilia of his time in the military that became part of a self-penned manuscript entitled "G.I. Echoes" describing this impactful time and experience for our country, the



world, and him.

Upon returning home from Berlin, he earned his Bachelor of science degree in Biology from Washington & Jefferson College, where he was a member of the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity. He also took specialized courses at Grove City College, a place that he held dear his entire life.

Bob had a longstanding career at U.S. Steel in Pittsburgh as an engineer. Upon his retirement, he held a position at NASA Industrial Applications Center (NIAC).

He was a 60+ year member of Beulah United Presbyterian Church, where he served as an Elder with a term as Clerk of Session. Additionally, he was a 50+ year member of the Masonic Lodge in Grove City.

If you knew him, you knew of his jovial personality, wonderful sense of humor, deep love of family and country, and his sincere interest and care for those around him. He made the world a better place.

A Funeral Service will be held on Saturday, June 8, at 11:00 am at Beulah Presbyterian Church, 2500 McCrady Road, Churchill. In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial gift to Grove City College, Attn: Jeff Prokovich, 100 Campus Drive, Grove City, PA 16127, or www.gcc.edu.

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