

JAMES R. SCHAFFNER



James R. Schaffner (92) passed peacefully into the presence of our Lord on Saturday, June 22, 2024. Over these past few weeks, he was surrounded by family and loved ones. Jim is survived by his wife, Patricia Schaffner; and his five children and three stepchildren, Jim, Jr. (Sue), Joe (Michelle), Bill (Barbara), Diane (Shawn), Judy (Mike), John "Chip" (Mary Kay), Sue and Amy (Winfred). He is also survived

by 16 grandchildren; a brother, Jay Schaffner; and a sister, Sue Staley. Jim was predeceased by his first wife, Rita Mae; and grandsons, Joshua Schaffner and Bradley Schaffner. In his own words, Jim wanted to do "well and good". He not only helped lead a successful family business in Emsworth for 50+ years, but he also served on numerous hospital boards in the Pittsburgh area. He also started the Schaffner Family Fund under the Pittsburgh Foundation that has supported many community and faith organizations in the area for over 30 years. However, he said that his proudest accomplishment was raising five young children after unexpectedly becoming a single parent. Jim grew up in the North Boroughs, graduated from Bethany College (WV) before serving in the military and then returning to Pittsburgh to help lead Schaffner Manufacturing Company. He had a strong faith and was a lifelong member of the Catholic Church. Visitation will be at **LAWRENCE T. MILLER FUNERAL HOME, INC.**, 460 Lincoln Avenue, Bellevue on Thursday from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Please join us for a Mass of Christian Burial to be celebrated at Regina Coeli Parish, Church of the Assumption, 45 N. Sprague Ave., Bellevue on Friday at 10:00 a.m. Burial will follow at Allegheny County Memorial Park. Memorials may be made to the Schaffner Family Fund at the Pittsburgh Foundation (www.PittsburghFoundation\Schaffner). A graveside service will be the following day for immediate family.

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