

## S. CLIFFORD ELMS, JR.,



S. Clifford Elms, Jr, age 97, of Allison Park, PA, a much-loved husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, and friend passed away on Wednesday, July 10, 2024.

Beloved husband for 74 years of Margaret "Peggy" L. Elms, the two danced through life together, standing strong in the tough times and making wonderful memories in the good times.

Cliff was a world traveler, an ice cream lover, a baker of "homemade cookies" for his grandkids, an occasional poet and always enjoyed a glass of wine.

Father of Cathy (Bill) Dambach, Jeffrey (Diana) Elms, Julie (Michael) Zajac, and Richard (Keri) Elms; grandfather of Luke (Lynette), Kate (Lucas), Tyler (Ashley), Tessa (Chuck), Christopher (Ariana), Philip (Samantha), Nicolas (Jacquelyn), Alyssa, Jeffrey, Rachel, Lauren, and Bridget; great-grandfather of Leo, Asa, Enzo, Luciano, Brooklyn, Sawyer, Hazel, Penny and Heath.

Born in Youngstown, Ohio, Cliff was the son of the late S. Clifford Elms Sr. and Mary Brooke (Nutter) Elms. Cliff graduated from West View High School and was a US Navy man from 1945 - 1946, where he was involved in the testing of the atomic bomb at Bikini Island. A 1950 Penn State graduate, he started his career at A M Byers and then moved on to Gulf Oil Corporation for 30 years as a metallurgical engineer. After he retired from Gulf, he became the Richland Township Tax Collector for the next 23 years and loved every minute of helping the residents, retiring from there at 82 years old.

Cliff worked hard and played hard. He especially loved playing tennis, boating, sailing, and working in his yard. He was known for his generosity, his helpful nature, his enjoyment of life, his great sense of humor, and his love and commitment to his family and his faith.

He was a member of the American Petroleum Institute, the American Society for Metals, and the American Society for Testing and Materials. He was also a member of the North Hills Freemasonry Lodge No 716, the Scottish Rite, and the Syria Temple.

Memorial Service will be held on Monday, July 15th, at 11:00 am, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Gibsonia, PA. Funeral arrangements by **SCHELLHAAS FUNERAL HOME.**

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions to Trinity Lutheran Church.

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