

NORBERT FRED YAGGI



Norbert Fred Yaggi, known affectionately as Fred to his friends and family, passed away peacefully on July 25, 2024. Born on October 6, 1932, in McKees Rocks, PA, Fred was a man of great intellect and gentle spirit who left a lasting impression on all who knew him.

Fred was the son of the late Norbert J. and Mary A. Yaggi. He grew up alongside his siblings, Joan Walsh, Roberta Krieger, and Richard Yaggi, who all preceded him in death. His life was enriched by the love and camaraderie of his seven nephews and nieces, and his three cherished cousins.

Fred's academic pursuits led him to Duquesne University, where he earned a degree in Academic Chemistry. However, Fred enlisted in the US Air Force after graduation from college for two years plus an additional six year term in the US Air Force Reserve. After his Honorable Discharge from the service, he turned his attention back to education and his expertise in his field were evident as he taught chemistry at Duquesne University and local high schools.

Fred's interests extended beyond the classroom. His love for classical music was filled with the beauty and complexity of symphonies. Equally impressive was his extensive collection of military history books, with a special focus on aviation. Fred was a voracious reader whose knowledge of military history was as deep as it was broad, and he could often be found engrossed in a book, uncovering the intricacies of historical battles and events.

Those who knew Fred best would describe him as funny, gentle, and thoughtful. His sense of humor was a beacon of light, bringing joy and laughter to those around him. Fred's gentle nature made him a comforting presence, a person to whom others could turn during times of need.

Family and friends are welcome on Wednesday July 31, 2024 from 5 to 7 PM at **SZAL'S FUNERAL HOME**, 238 Helen St., McKees Rocks, PA 15136 where services will be held at 6:30 pm. Please visit the funeral home website for additional details.

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