

## RALPH P. LIPKE JR.



On Sunday, September 15, 2024, Ralph P. Lipke Jr., of Bellevue, born July 9, 1940, was surrounded by his family when he passed away at the age of 84. He was the son of Margaret (Ruffner) and Ralph P. Lipke Sr. of Pittsburgh. He was the beloved husband of 60 years to Carol (Meiser) Lipke; loving father of Lori (Andy) King and Michael (Paula Zende) Lipke; grandfather of Rob (Krystal) King, Kathleen King, Erin King,

Kayleigh (Zach) Zidian, Amanda Lipke, and Holden Lipke; great-grandfather of Oliver and Lily King, Georgia and Maira Zidian; brother of the late Claudia and Ed Cunningham and Peggy Paulson (former husband, the late Paul Paulson); uncle of David, Greg and Rich Paulson, Celeste Antill, John, Paul and Cynthia Cunningham, Beth and Doug Meiser, and the late Mark Cunningham. Ralph was a dedicated fan and alumni of the Duquesne Dukes '62 and North Catholic Trojans '58, passing on his love of sports and competitive spirit to his children and grandchildren. He cherished watching his grandchildren compete, a fixture in the stands at every sporting event. His grandchildren share many memories of playing cards and checkers with him. Ralph enjoyed riding his bike, watching Nascar, and sneaking sweets. Ralph was a lifelong member of the Church of the Assumption, he served in the US Army, and was former president and longtime volunteer of Bellevue Avalon Baseball Association, as well as Meals on Wheels. Family and friends will be received at the **LAWRENCE T. MILLER FUNERAL HOME, INC.**, 460 Lincoln Avenue, Bellevue, PA 15202 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. and 6:00-8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 18, 2024. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at Regina Coeli Parish, Church of the Assumption, 45 N. Sprague Avenue, Bellevue, at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 19, 2024. Interment will follow at Union Dale Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials suggested to the North Boroughs-Sewickley Area Meals on Wheels, 28 Pittsburgh Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15202, phone number 412-766-7763, or Dementia Society of America.

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