

ROBERT G. WELTE SR.



Robert G. Welte, Sr., 95, of Washington, formerly of Ligonier, died peacefully on Saturday, October 19, 2024, at Hawthorne Woods.

He was born November 7, 1928, in Pittsburgh, son of the late Henry and Jane Duffy Welte.

Bob was a graduate of Wilkesburg High School, and attended the University of Pittsburgh on a wrestling scholarship.

He was a dry wall finisher and plasterer by trade, having worked for several companies in western Pennsylvania. He continued to use his skills in retirement, helping his children and grandchildren with building projects and plasterwork. He was a U.S. Army combat veteran, serving in Korea from 1951-1953, and proud member of both the American Legion and V.F.W.

Bob attended Holy Trinity Parish in Ligonier, where he was a member of the Holy Name Society. He volunteered his time and skilled hands for several projects in Ligonier with Habitat for Humanity.

Bob loved gardening, and could usually be found raking, hoeing, weeding, and tending to his bountiful harvests. However, his greatest passion was spending time with his grandchildren. He passed on his love of Notre Dame "the Fighting Irish" and the Pittsburgh Steelers to his family.

Surviving are his loving wife of 68 years, Mary C. Welte; four sons, Robert G. (Cathleen) Welte, Jr. of Binghamton, NY, Joseph F. (Veronica) Welte of Butler, Daniel C. (Mary) Welte of Harrisburg, and Mark S. (Linda) Welte of Brookfield, CT; a daughter, Mollie Welte (Brent) Burnett of Waynesburg; seventeen grandchildren, Stephen, Rosemary, Michael, Gregory, Eric, Katherine, Anne, Amy, Patrick, Julie, Andrew, Paul, Sarah, Justin, Michael, Maggie, and Nora; ten great-grandchildren; sister, Elizabeth "Betty" Snavely of Melbourne, FL; sister-in-law Martha Welte of Buffalo, NY; as well as several nieces and nephews.

He is predeceased by his granddaughter, Michelle Grace; and two brothers, Charles "Brother Conrad OFM" Welte and John Welte.

Friends will be received from 3 to 6 PM, Wednesday, in the **HUMMELL AND JONES FUNERAL HOME**, 420 Locust Ave., Washington, PA, Dr. Lawrence K. Donovan, supervisor, Douglas M. Jones and Stina Shadel, directors. A funeral liturgy will be celebrated at 11:30 AM, Thursday, October 24, 2024, in Our Lady of Miraculous Medal Church of St. Oscar Romero Parish, 300 Pike Street, Meadowlands, PA 15347. Interment will follow in the National Cemetery of the Alleghenies.

The family would like to thank the caregivers at Hawthorne Woods and Gateway Hospice for their exceptional care of Bob in his final days. Online condolences may be expressed at www.hummellandjones.com. The family suggests memorial contributions be directed to Little Sisters of the Poor, www.littlesistersofthepoorpittsburgh.org, or St. Augustine Friary, 221 36th Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15201.

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