

DEWITT PEART



Mr. Dewitt Joseph "De" Peart, age 92, of Kennedy Township, Pennsylvania, passed away on February 25, 2025. He was born on October 21, 1932, in Pittsburgh to Dewitt Robert Peart and Dorothy (Felthouse) Peart. Dewitt graduated from North Catholic High School and later earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Pittsburgh.

His life-long passion for astronomy led him to work at the Buhl Planetarium as a docent and at the Allegheny Observatory, where he operated the 30-inch Thaw Refractor. After serving in the U.S. Army's 11th Airborne Division at Fort Campbell, Kentucky, he joined an expedition to Sudan in 1955 to observe a solar eclipse for the Air Force Cambridge Research Center.

Dewitt built a career spanning more than 30 years at PNC Bank, rising from a teller to an officer in community banking. A man of intellect and curiosity, he enjoyed building telescopes, listening to classical music and playing chess. He will be fondly remembered for his good humor and kind nature.

He was the beloved husband of the late Marian (Tessicino) Peart for 58 years. Dewitt was the father of Dewitt M. (Jane) Peart, David J. (Julie) Peart and Kimberly R. (Jay) McMonagle; brother to Dolores A. Peart, the late Diana M. Streba and Darlene D. Peart; grandfather to Michael A. (Leah) Peart, Andrew C. (Rory) Peart, J. Tyler Peart, Kelsey R. Peart and Haley J. (John) Rudolph; and great-grandfather to Beau Rudolph.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the **ANTHONY M. MUSMANNO FUNERAL HOME, INC.**, 941 McCoy Road, McKees Rocks, PA 15136.

Burial will be by private ceremony. In lieu of flowers or donations, please take a moment on a clear night to look up at the stars and think of him.

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