



Fred C. Dauterich

July 8, 1918 - July 23, 2014

Fred "Buddie" Dauterich

Fred C. Dauterich, Jr. of Plush Mills, former resident of Narberth (23 years), died July 23, 2014. He was 96.

The only son of Fred and Josephine (Schiller) Dauterich, Fred was born in Philadelphia, PA and attended Northeast High School where he graduated early at age 16. Fred went on to attend the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania where he graduated in 1941, a year ahead of his class, with honors.

Fred was a well known athlete in his early years. During the heyday of semi-pro baseball, Fred started out playing in the Knothole League. One season he pitched three no-hit games. He missed a fourth no-hitter by half a step when the batter hit a slow grounder and barely beat the throw to first base. No one else got on base that game. Subsequently, Fred's picture appeared in the Philadelphia Evening Bulletin under the heading "Wonder Boy". Fred also pitched in several all-star games in the Baker Bowl, old home of the Phillies. Eddie Stankey, a well known major league player and club manager for 21 years played on the same team with Fred. Fred went on to pitch for Kensington in the Philadelphia League in the 1940's. While he worked full time for \$12/week (with his best friend earning \$4/week), Fred earned \$25 for each game he pitched.

Fred also excelled in basketball. He was the captain and high scorer of the Simpson Boys Church League Championship in 1934-35. He was also the

foul shooting champion of the Philadelphia Church League for three consecutive years.

In 1951, Fred married Anne Rafferty. The couple moved to Villanova in 1961 where they raised their only child, Donna, and then to Narberth in 1986 where they lived until Anne passed away in 2008.

For over 20 years, Fred was the Assistant Executive Vice President of the American College of Physicians. During his tenure at ACP, in 1971, he became President of the Professional Convention Management Association. His job responsibilities allowed him to travel extensively. For either work or pleasure, he visited all fifty states, Canada, Romania, Mexico and the West Indies. There were also numerous trips to Western Europe.

Sports were not Fred's only passion. For three years in a row, Fred was awarded a gold cup for film making by the 8-16 MM Movie Club of Philadelphia. The club held annual contests for members who wanted to write, direct, produce and film a story.

Fred was also very involved in his churches over the years. He spent 33 years at Simpson Memorial United Methodist Church and 19 years at 10th Presbyterian Church during the tenure of Donald Grey Barnhouse (whose sermons Fred reflected on for the next 40 years of his life). He held numerous posts including President of the Board of Trustees and head of the Board of Deacons. He and Anne joined Ardmore Presbyterian Church in 1970 where they were active participants in Christian Education.

Throughout his life, Fred loved to garden. His home in Villanova included a large plot of land where he raised vegetables in addition to the extensive flower and shrub gardens on the property. When he moved to Narberth, his space was limited but he and Anne continued to garden on a considerable portion of their ground. When Fred moved to Plush Mills in 2008 and rented his Narberth home to a young couple from NYC, Fred offered to continue to tend the garden for them. They happily agreed and Fred was able to enjoy gardening for another few years.

Fred spent his final years at Plush Mills in Wallingford, PA, where he became

known for dressing up (suits and ties) and for his sense of humor. He was often seen on the sidelines at SRA and NPAA baseball, basketball and soccer games supporting his grandson, Jeff Painter.

Fred is survived by his daughter, Donna Painter (Jeff) of Swarthmore and three grandchildren, Rebecca, Elena and Jeffrey.

A memorial service was held on July 29, 2014 at Ardmore Presbyterian Church. Memorial Gifts may be made to Ardmore Presbyterian Church, 5 W Montgomery Ave, Ardmore, PA 19003.

Cemetery Details

Burial will be private.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUL **29**. 12:00 PM (ET)

Ardmore Presbyterian Church
5 West Montgomery Avenue
Ardmore, PA