



Hon. William Whitten Vogel

October 28, 1926 - August 30, 2019

The Honorable William Whitten Vogel, of Wynnewood, PA, died on August 30, 2019 at the age of 92. He was born in Merion to the late Adolph Vogel and Ann Vogel. He graduated in 1944 from Lower Merion High School; 1950 B.A. from Haverford College (played tennis and baseball, German club) and 1953 Law Degree from The University of Pennsylvania.

He served from 1944-1946 United States Navy in the Pacific during WWII.

His career began in 1953-1966 practiced law with Wisler, Pearlstine, Talone and Gerber in Norristown; 1958-1964 Lower Merion Township Commissioner; 1964-1966 Montgomery County Commissioner; 1966 appointed to Judge in Montgomery County Court of Common Pleas by then Governor William Scranton, and served until 2006. From 1986-1991 elected by fellow judges to President Judge of Montgomery County; 1994-2006 Senior Judge of Montgomery County.

He was an Eagle Scout, member of Merion Cricket Club, member of Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, Haverford College Alumnae and honored with William Sheppard Award from Haverford College in 2015.

He was recognized as distinguished and patriotic, family first, "larger than life", avid reader and history buff, and enjoyed vacationing in Cape May NJ and

Squam Lake, NH

He was the beloved husband of the late Sara Carter Vogel and Uncle to John L Hekking, Esq., Robert C. Hekking, J. Gwyn Heaver (Phil), and is also survived by 6 great nieces and nephews and many cousins.

His Memorial Service will be held on Saturday Sept 21st at 12:00 noon at Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, 625 Montgomery Ave., Bryn Mawr, PA 19010. Burial will be private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to either Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, Narberth Ambulance 101 Sibley Ave Ardmore, PA 19003 or Squam Lakes Science Center PO Box 173 Holderness, NH 03245

Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP **21**. 12:00 PM (ET)

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church
625 Montgomery Avenue
Bryn Mawr, PA

Tribute Wall

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“*“Uncle” Bill was a wonderful individual. He was a close friend of my father George Bailey, Jr. and our family. My father who was usually fairly serious, was called “Porge” by Uncle Bill and Uncle Bill had the ability to lighten my father up. We enjoyed several New Year’s Eve parties at Uncle Bill’s house. I recall Uncle Bill teaching me juggling in his back yard. A tall, strong man, Uncle Bill would frequently defeat me and my brothers at Indian wrestling. Intelligent, witty, and light-hearted, Uncle Bill was able to give perspective to difficult situations and bring out the humor of the moment and peoples actions. Uncle Bill’s wife, our Aunt Sarah, was a wonderful and kind woman. Together, they were a bright and encouraging presence in the struggles of growing up. Uncle Bill is and will be very missed by me and many others.*

Philip Bailey

Philip - September 08, 2019 at 04:50 AM

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“*Dear Gwyn and family, I was so sad to hear that Bill had passed. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your entire family 🙏. I want you to know that it was a privilege and great pleasure to have known Bill. He was so interesting and smart, I loved spending time and talking with him. He was great at explaining and helping me understand many things. And, I don’t want to leave out, we had many laughs!!*

So thankful that Trina introduced me to Bill and Sara. Many fond memories.

Sincerely, Pam Owsik

Pam Mawhinney Owsik - September 07, 2019 at 08:29 AM

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“ I will never forget the years I have spent with you. You treated my family and I as if we were part of your family.

Talking about your nieces and nephews. Grand nieces and nephews.

Going to the mall with my granddaughter and friends, out to dinner with the grandsons at McDonald's . Playing games with Vinnie in the living room . You loved your cheeseburgers and Coca Cola .Listening to your stories about politics. Watching the stock market, and watching the political circus on tv as you kept turning down the sound. Me yelling, turn that up. Never complained about the meals I prepared. Even if you didn't like it. Until I questioned why you didn't eat to much. Meeting your friends and listening to the stories as you reminisce

About Buck Hill lifeguard years, visiting your brother and taking good care of him with a friendly visit or a ride in the car. It amazes me all the people you have known and took everything to heart. You will always remain in our hearts forever and be missed tremendously.

*Love always,
Trina*

Trina Subick - September 07, 2019 at 08:10 AM