



George H. Schwartz

June 1, 1924 - November 14, 2016

Schwartz, George, 92 of Absecon, passed away on November 14, 2016. He was born in Philadelphia, PA, June 1, 1924, to George and Elizabeth Schwartz.

As a young man eager to serve his country, he enlisted in the US Army. George proudly served for three years, 1942-1945, during World War II and fought in five battles throughout Europe and North Africa. Upon his return, he attended and graduated from the Philadelphia Fire Academy, and began his career as a fire fighter. During his 24 years on the Philadelphia Fire Department, he worked at Ladder 5, and later was stationed at Engine 64 in Lawndale until his retirement in 1974.

George moved his family to Wellsboro, a beautiful mountain town in upstate Pennsylvania where he worked for 10 years as Forest Fire Warden for the State of Pennsylvania. In his spare time, he did carpentry work and completely remodeled the family's 100 year old farm home. After his retirement from the Bureau of Forestry in 1987, he and his wife, Betty, moved to South Jersey to enjoy his retirement, first living in Northfield and most recently in Absecon.

George and Betty were married on November 3rd, 1956 in Philadelphia. In his younger days, he and wife Betty enjoyed jitterbugging at clubs in Philadelphia. Later, in their retirement, they enjoyed traveling to many places including Ireland, Germany and Canada. More recently, George enjoyed spending time with his family and grandchildren, making birdhouses, decorative wooden sleighs for Christmas, and taking long walks.

He was an Honorary Member of the Rockledge, PA, Fire Company, the American Legion (Post #686), the Veterans of Foreign Wars (Post #9462), the League of Sacred Heart of Jesus, and the St. Bernadette Senior Citizens Club.

George is preceded by his loving wife, Elizabeth Ann (Murphy) Schwartz, his four sisters: Marge Santangelo, Jane Rosso, Ellen August, and Betty Ann Pfeifer, and his loving parents, Elizabeth and George Schwartz. He is survived by his son, George Schwartz

(Nicole) Manheim, PA, daughters Eileen Schwartz Foster (John) of New Gretna, Patty Town (David) of Absecon, and Elizabeth Bernal (John) of Egg Harbor Township; his seven grandchildren Tim Foster, Nicole Foster, Alex Town, Ian Bernal, Daniel Bernal, Sophia Schwartz, and Madeline Schwartz; and his many loving nieces and nephews.

A viewing will be held at 8:30 AM on Saturday, November 19th followed by a funeral mass at 10 o'clock at Church of the Assumption at 146 S. Pitney Road, Galloway, NJ. The burial will follow at the Atlantic County Veterans Cemetery at 393 NJ-50, Mays Landing, NJ.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in memory of George Schwartz to the IAFF Local 22 Widow's Fund, 415 N. 5th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19123-4095.

Cemetery

Atlantic County Veterans Cemetery

109 Route 50

Mays Landing, NJ, 08330

Events

NOV **Visitation** 08:30AM - 10:00AM

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Our Lady of Perpetual Help - Church of the
Assumption

146 S. Pitney Road, Galloway, NJ, US, 08205

NOV **Mass of Christian Burial** 10:00AM

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Comments



“ The family of Harry McDermott, deceased firefighter friend of George (the Speitel Family) send their love and condolences to the Schwartz family. George and Harry were very dear friends and the Speitel family was so happy to meet with George at Father Edmond Speitel's 60th Anniversary Mass in Ocean City in 2015. Father Ed will say a Mass for George this week. Our love and prayers to George's family.

Anne Speitel McCann - November 20, 2016 at 09:56 AM



“ Sending prayers of comfort to the entire family, many of whom are friends. I had the good fortune of knowing both Mr and Mrs Schwartz over the years. May they both rest in peace together now. With love, Devan Blackwell



Devan Blackwell - November 18, 2016 at 05:22 PM



“ I'll always remember my mom's cousin George with fondness. I've never met a more gentle and kind man in my life. Love, hugs, and prayers to the family.

Carrie McCormack (Walters)

Carrie McCormack - November 18, 2016 at 10:08 AM



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Patty - November 16, 2016 at 07:33 AM



“Eternal rest grant unto him oh Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace". Our deepest condolences on your loss. With respect, The Markert Family.

Gregory L Markert - November 16, 2016 at 05:38 AM



“ To the Schwartz Family, I'm sorry to hear of the passing of your Dad. I remember when I got on the Fire Department I don't know who was more excited for me your Dad or my Dad John Pendergast. I would take my Dad to the Local 22 Picnics and your Dad was always filled with excitement being with all his fellow Firefighters he risked his life with over the years. Reading your Dad's obit brought back memories of the stories my family would have after visiting you guys up in Wellsboro. I'm sorry again for your loss, but know that now Dad and Mom are back together again. I'll miss your Dad and know my folks will too. I'll keep you all in my prayers. John Pendergast

john pendergast - November 15, 2016 at 11:25 PM



“ After George retired in Wellsboro and sold his home, he rented a large home on Central Avenue until time to move to New Jersey. I rented an apartment attached to the back of the house. We had the duty of taking care of the lawn. After talking about the responsibility, we made a pact. I bought the mower, and George did the mowing! What a guy.

I was privileged to be included in the celebration of his 90th birthday at Elizabeth's home. George was such a fine man, as evidenced by the quality family he and Betty produced.

What a great life he had, being able to be active without major restrictions at the age of 90. This is what we all can appreciate more as we age. No one deserved this blessing more than my friend George. I will miss him.

Anne B. McNaight

Anne McNaight - November 15, 2016 at 08:28 PM



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