



Albert M. "Bill" Lauffer

December 12, 1919 - January 9, 2021

Albert M. (Bill) Lauffer, age 101, died on Saturday, January 9, 2021. Bill was a life-long resident of Butler and had recently resided at New Haven Court Senior Community. As a young man, he served in the US Air Force during World War II. He was employed as an industrial engineer for many years with Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corporation. In retirement, he remained active as a Tipstaff at the Butler County Courthouse.

Along with his wife, Gracia, Bill was an enthusiastic supporter of the Butler community. As a young man he enjoyed participating in the Butler Little Theatre. He served as Exalted Ruler of the Butler Elks Club. He was a member of the Butler Masonic Lodge, He was a long time member of St. Peter's Episcopal Church where he served as a vestry member.

An avid tennis player, Bill continued to sport a good game into his eighties. He like sailing at Moraine and pursued golf and bowling on various teams. He was a reader, liked history as well as politics and enjoyed discussing the latest news events. Always a man with a project, Bill relaxed by fixing and building. His proudest achievement was building a log home where he and his wife lived and entertained in retirement.

He was preceded in death by his wife Gracia, a grandson Joshua Lauffer Ellison, and a son-in-law Bert Manzato. He is survived by two daughters,

Martha (Bert) Manzato, and Sally (Gary) Ellison, a grandson John (Sherri) Ellison, and a great-granddaughter, Skylyn Ellison.

Tribute Wall

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“ So many wonderful memories in the 9 years I got to know Bill at Newhaven. He was always one of my favorites and was so nice to talk to. I will remember all the great memories we shared and I will always remember when he told me to “be safe, they need you.” I am so thankful I got to know Bill and I will miss our chats. Rest In Peace. Love, Marlee

Marlee Mauthe - January 13, 2021 at 04:18 PM

GK

“ Bill and Gracia were folks that I looked up to while growing up and going to St Peter's Episcopal Church. What i remember most was their smiles. They were kind and gentle people who were full of God's love and they shared it with everyone. Deepest sympathy to Sally and Martha and their families.

Gary J Kuziinsky - January 12, 2021 at 04:24 PM

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“ What an amazing life Bill had! He was always a great joy with a wonderful smile and kind wit! You will always be remembered with love and respect for the man you were and the love you shared with your beautiful Gracia and your children. Linda Bennitt Hemmes

Linda Hemmes - January 12, 2021 at 12:18 PM

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“ I remember Bill fondly from my time working at New Haven. Bill always had a quick smile and an even quicker sense of humor! He was probably so sweet due to the 2 servings of brown sugar he requested for his breakfast oatmeal! You will be fondly remembered and sadly missed , Rest In Peace, Bill.

Laura Y

Laura Yasinsky - January 11, 2021 at 08:42 PM