



William Wertz

March 28, 1924 - March 28, 2011

William Wertz, 87, of Lebanon Valley Homes and formerly of Lebanon, died March 28, 2011 at Hershey Medical Center. Born March 10, 1924 in Spencer, Nebraska, he was the son of the late William H. and Nora R. Wise Wertz.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Josephine Seiger Wertz and his second wife, Lucille Stefl Wertz.

Bill was a 1942 graduate of Lebanon High School and a 1950 graduate of Lebanon Valley College. He had served in the United States Navy during WWII, serving on the Land Craft Infantry USS 464 in the Pacific Theatre.

Bill was the proprietor of the Karmelkorn Shop in downtown Lebanon for 36 years, later changing the name to Wertz Candies, Inc., having retired in 1986.

Bill was the first president of the Cedar Crest Booster Club. He enjoyed and loved animals, gardening, and was a University of Nebraska football fan. He enjoyed going to breakfast with friends and fellow Cumberland Street merchants, especially to the former Brooks House.

Surviving are 3 sons, William H. of Cambelltown, Richard A., husband of Carla Pielmeier Wertz and Charles W., all of Lebanon; a daughter, Jean L., wife of Robert Zaun of Fredicksburg; step son, Larry Stefl, step daughter,

Pam, wife of John Toki, both of Oakland, CA. and a niece and a nephew. He was preceded in death by a sister, Mary Ellen Zimmerman.

Relatives and Friends are respectfully invited to attend Bill's memorial service from the Ruffner-Porterfield Funeral Directors and Cremation Services, 890 Isabel Drive, (next to Quentin Circle), Lebanon on Saturday, April 2, 2011 at 10 AM. Interment will be held in the Grandview Memorial Park, Annville.

Friends will be received at the funeral home from 9 to 10 am on Saturday.

Please omit flowers, memorial remembrances may be made in Bill's memory to the Humane Society of Lebanon County, 140 N. Ramona Rd., Myerstown, PA 17067.

Tribute Wall



“ *William Wertz*

October 22, 2023 at 10:35 PM



“ *William Wertz*

October 06, 2023 at 08:29 AM



“ *William Wertz*

October 05, 2023 at 11:43 PM



“ *Billy, Jeanie, Richard and Chuck,*

I just heard about your dad and am so sorry. I'll always remember the visits at Thanksgiving at the house and watching football and having the whole family together. Also the fishing trips off the boat in the bay at Ocean City. I hope you can get comfort from each other and remember all the great things he did in his life. God Bless.

Cousin Steve

Stephen S. Seiger - Hanover, PA - Nephew - April 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“*Mr. Wertz" was what we called the friendly, witty man in the white apron. As kids at Harding Junior High, many of us would go there to get a bag of delicious buttered popcorn, sen sens, or a piece or two of handmade candy. Nothing compared to the taste of Mr. Wertz's scrumptious treats. But it was Mr. Wertz himself who greeted us with a smile, put up with a gangle of rowdy young people, would tempt us with tasty goods, and poke us with his comments. We loved him!He will always live on in my memory. May his soul rest in peace.A Friend, Mike True*

Michael True - Mechanicsburg, PA - Friend - April 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“*MY HUSBAND AND I SEND OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO THE WHOLE FAMILY.
LLOYD AND PAULINE WAGNER-HUMMESTOWN,PA.*

PAULINE CRAWFORD WAGNER - HUMMELSTOWN, PA - COUSIN IN LAW - April 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ Those early childhood memories are filled with lots of fun and laughter. One of the most vivid memories is water-skiing on Lake Winonah (spelling?) I don't think like I ever got up on those things, but I sure tried. Uncle Bill was always so encouraging and I believe he was the first to give me endearing nicknames like Iodine, Annie Oakley, and Annie Bananie. Iodine was the one I remember the most and, come to think of it, I still don't know why he called me that...must have been some kind of comic strip character. Our families were close and that I remember well. So much time has passes since those early years, but those fun early days of snowmobiling and bedwetting (oops, I hope I didn't embarrass anyone) will live in my mind til my own passing.

Uncle Bill,
You'll be missed

Iodine

Ann Hartman-Hornung - Elverson, PA - Adopted niece - April 01, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ Chuck and Wertz Family, our deepest sympathies. My thoughts and prayers are with you...I will remember him fondly, especially his "Lepnun" accent! May he rest in peace, and may you be comforted - he is with you always. Love and peace, Heidi

Heidi (Vancura) Schumacher - Acton, MA - friend - March 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM