



David E. Wagenseller,

August 13, 2012

David E. Wagenseller Jr., 94, formerly of Lancaster, died on Friday, August 10, 2012 at Luther Acres, Lititz. Born in Lancaster, he was the son of the late D. Earl and Gertrude Helms Wagenseller.

David grew up in Suplee, PA, a village of east Honey Brook. After graduating from Honey Brook High School and Penn State University with a Bachelor of Arts degree, David joined the U.S. Army and served from 1942-1945 in the 41st Infantry Division "Jungleers." During that time, he was stationed overseas in Australia and New Guinea. Upon returning to the U.S. in 1944, he married his childhood sweetheart, Grace Winifred Wright. They enjoyed 67 years of marriage together including extensive travels around the world until she preceded him in death in 2011. David and Grace enjoyed many years of vacations in Jackson Hole, Wyoming, and Del Ray Beach, Florida, which they shared with friends and family.

David belonged to Tau Kappa Epsilon (TKE) Fraternity, and served the following organizations: Director of Lancaster County Civil Defense, Director of Lancaster Symphony, Board of Lancaster Council of Churches, President of Penn State Club, President of Lancaster County Mental Health Association, Board of Encounter, Judge of Elections, and Chairman of Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE). He also served on the Manheim Township Zoning Board of Adjustment.

A 61-year member of First Presbyterian Church, he was an elder, deacon, and served on many church committees and organizations. He was a proud member of the George Mann Bible Study Class.

David is survived by his son David E. Wagenseller, III, husband of Linda; his daughter Virginia L., wife of Curt Hitchcock all of Lancaster; his four grandchildren: Christopher Wagenseller, husband of Liz, who resides in Lancaster; Amy, wife of Glen Steele, of San Jose, CA; Leslie Hitchcock of Lancaster, and Sean Hitchcock of Lexington Park, MD, and his great grandson, Brendan Steele and great granddaughter, June Wagenseller.

Family and friends are respectfully invited to attend David's Funeral Service at First Presbyterian Church, 140 E. Orange Street, Lancaster, on Friday, August 17, 2012 at 10:30 a.m. with Rev. Dan Snyder officiating. The family will greet friends at the Church from 9:30 a.m. until the time of the service. A private family interment will be held in St. Mark's Episcopal Church Cemetery, Honey Brook, PA. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in David's name for child abuse prevention services to COBYS Family Services – Family Life Education, 1417 Oregon Road Leola, PA 17540.

Tribute Wall

JD

“ Hi Ginny & David,
So very sorry to hear about your dad's death. I just saw it in the paper today. I wish we would have known, we would have liked to see all of you again. We have a lot of memories of Supplee and Nanny. She was a wonderful lady and we thought the world of her. I know how much you will miss your dad and your mom. They were nice people. I just lost my Mom about 6 weeks ago, so I know about how you are feeling. Our deepest sympathy to all of you and your families.
In sympathy,

The Delp Family

Joan & Buddy Delp - August 21, 2012 at 09:04 AM

DK

“ Dear Family,

I felt sad to read Dave's obituary yesterday. I extend to all the family my deepest heartfelt sympathy. I regret that I am unable to be present at his funeral or the calling hours. Please know that I shall be thinking of you all.

Many memories came flooding over me as I thought about Dave and the Wagenseller family. I am sorry that I was unaware of Grace's death. Dave lived to a ripe old age, and his life was filled to overflowing with good works. I served on many committees with both Dave and Grace, as well as with David at First Presbyterian Church. I remember those enjoyable times well and am grateful for those memories.

Please know that you all are in my thoughts and prayers.

Shalom,

Donna

Donna Gay Grun Kaplan - August 16, 2012 at 01:10 AM