



Edward F. Zelan

November 28, 2014

Edward F. Zelan passed away on November 28, 2014 at Creekside at Three Rivers Assisted Living in Murfreesboro, TN. Edward was a native of Monneson, PA, but lived in Murfreesboro for several years. Edward served in the Navy during WWII and the Korean Conflict. Edward was a member of a CCC camp where he ran the canteen and eventually was put in charge of the Mess Hall, Rec Hall, and PX. He also worked in the oil business for many years as a supervisor.

Edward was preceded in death by his wife, Peggy J. Zelan. He is survived by his son, Edward F. (Helen) Zelan of Murfreesboro, daughter, Judith A. (Jim) Kalbacher of Maryland, grandson, Edward F. Zelan Jr., and great-grandchildren, Madison and Caroline Zelan.

Please leave online condolences at www.jenningsandayers.com Jennings & Ayers Funeral Home, 820 S. Church Street, Murfreesboro, TN 37130. 615-893-2422

Comments



“ I'm finding it hard to believe that my Uncle Ed is no longer with us. He was, by far, the "favorite uncle". I spent summers with him and the family and had the best times! He and Aunt Peg just treated me like another daughter. I can recall many stories of the things we did and the places we would go. He was always happy and fun to be around. His love for everyone was evident. Uncle Ed told the best stories of the past and family - how did he remember all those details?

Of course, I respected his military service, and he was proud of it too.

We were indeed lucky to have him for so long (and getting ready to celebrate another birthday soon). Even with him far away in Tennessee, he and I would think of each other, and have the urge to call and chat; even if it was only a short call, it made me content to hear his voice. And he would ask, "How's George?", so they would share a conversation too.

Family was everything to Uncle Ed. He missed Aunt Peg very much and now is happy being home with her. All the other Zelaznowski and Bednarczyk family members are waiting to welcome him.

I can see how he would earn the title "Candy Man", as he thought that kids were the best thing in the world. We will all remember his blue eyes and smiling face.

Judy and Whitey, you had the best dad. Know that he loved you and was proud of you both.

Elayne and George (Musial) Busovicki

Elayne Busovicki - December 05, 2014 at 02:29 PM



“ Edward Zelan was "Whitey" to us. He and his beloved Peggy were our next door neighbors for 22 years in North Huntingdon, PA. We could not have hand picked a more special couple to live next to. They welcomed our family with open arms the day we moved in and became an extra set of grandparents to our children. We have so many fond memories of our dear friends. The caring, kindness, friendship and love they shared was priceless to us and we will forever treasure those years.

Our sincerest sympathy to his family for your loss. Praying that you find strength and peace and joy through this difficult time. God Bless to all.

Mary Ann and Joe Hart

Mary Ann Hart - December 05, 2014 at 09:36 AM



“ Whitey and Peg were my dear next neighbors on Marbury Dr. for 21 years! I am sorry to hear of his loss but rejoicing that he is with his Peg. I have many joyful memories of them both and they played a part in molding me into the woman I am today. Whitey and I continued to keep in touch after Peg's passing and he was always so sweet to talk to and reminisce with. He was a noble man and I am thankful God put him in my life!!!
Katy (Hart) Feltes

Katy - December 05, 2014 at 08:33 AM



“ Uncle Ed was more than an Uncle to me. He was a great teacher and mentor and I'll always cherish the discussions I had with him about his life experiences. My first job was working for him with the Mobil Oil Company back in 1970-1974. He will truly be missed by myself, Patti, and his "favorite Redhead" Kimmy. Everytime I think of him I am reminded of yet another great experience I had with him and I just smile.

May he rest in Peace

Ed, Patti, and Kim Musial

Ed, Patti, and Kim Musial - December 04, 2014 at 07:58 PM



“ Cousin Ed was a blessing to his family and friends and a wonderful man. He will be missed.
May his family find comfort in the good memories he left with them over the years.
in our prayers and thought,
Lynda and Michael Harris

lynda harris - December 04, 2014 at 03:22 PM



“ Mr. Zelan moved to Creekside the day I started working there, so I always felt a special connection with him. He was a kind, generous man who could always make me smile. Even though I am no longer at Creekside I still think of him often and fondly. My prayers go out to you and yours at this difficult time. God bless you, Mr. Z.

Danelle A. - December 01, 2014 at 01:43 PM



“ Brenda Chunn lit a candle in memory of Edward F. Zelan



Brenda Chunn - December 01, 2014 at 08:01 AM



“ Mr. Zelan was a joy to care for and a blessing to know. He will be greatly missed. My prayers are with all of you today and in the days to come. Jean Rose LPN

Jean Rose - November 30, 2014 at 09:06 PM



“ Jean Rose lit a candle in memory of Edward F. Zelan



Jean Rose - November 30, 2014 at 08:56 PM



“ We all know Mr. Z, "candyman", was truly a gentleman in every way. He talked about his precious wife and shared his stories of war with me that I really knew He was a special family man and soldier. God blessed Creekside Assisted Living when he arrived. He loved children and always eager to give them candy, and they knew he would always be waiting for them when they came back. Everyone one at Creekside loved him and he will surely be missed. I express my sorrow to the family but Mr. Z was ready to go and couldn't wait to be connected back to his lovely wife. God bless you and thank you for finding Creekside , it has been a joy and a blessing for all of us that knew him. Thanks for the memories Mr. Z. Love, Brenda

Brenda Chunn - November 30, 2014 at 05:11 PM



“ Zelan Family: Words aren't really enough to express the sorrow we feel for you at this time, but know you all are in mine and my family's thoughts and prayers. Mr. Zelan was always thinking of others especially the children even when he wasn't feeling well. God has a beautiful flower in his garden now. I 'm sure the angels are happy to have the "Candy Man " with them now. I'm sadden to say I'll missed taking him his cup of coffee every morning. God bless and keep you during this time of separation.m

Mattie Thomas, Murfreesboro, Tn - November 30, 2014 at 01:06 PM



“ Zelan Family: God has another flower to add to his garden. Can not say enough about the pleasure it brought to me caring for THE CANDY MAN and bringing his coffee every morning. God have grace and mercy to you all during this time of separation

Mattie Thomas, Murfreesboro, Tn - November 29, 2014 at 10:56 AM