



Harry Carson Joseph

October 20, 1933 - May 9, 2016

Harry Carson Joseph, 82, of Fayette City, passed away peacefully in his sleep on Monday, May 9, 2016. Born in Dawson, he is a son of the late Harry B. Joseph and Edith Handlin Joseph of Belle Vernon. Harry lived most of his life in Charleroi, Belle Vernon and Fayette City. He graduated from Brownsville High School where he met the love of his life, Elsie Kekely, whom he married in 1960 and with whom he spent 56 wonderful years. Harry worked on the Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroad (P&LE RR) for over 40 years as a chief clerk. Harry always had a pleasant and peaceful way about him, and as a young man had the nickname "Sunny." Early in his life he began a semi professional career as a singer and his tenor voice was heard at many weddings, birthdays, and special occasions. He would often belt out the national anthem at sporting events that he attended as a spectator and people would often turn and applaud. He was a dedicated husband to Elsie. Early in their marriage they would travel to Daytona Beach for vacations. There they became an avid NASCAR fans attending many Daytona 500 races and later races in Charlotte, NC. Harry and Elsie were avid Nittany Lion football fans and were season ticket holders for many years. As a golfer, Harry would often dress in Penn State attire, and even his golf bag was Blue and White. He attended over a dozen PSU bowl games with his brother, Frank, and was able to witness national championship games in the Sugar Bowl and Fiesta Bowl. Harry was active in many churches including Belle Vernon Methodist and Little Redstone Presbyterian Church. At Belle Vernon Methodist, he was the coach

of the softball and dart-ball teams. He played baseball for Brownsville High School and other American Legion Teams. Survivors include his wife Elsie of Fayette City, brother Frank of Cornelius, NC, sister Anna Cochran of Dade City, FL, several nieces and nephews including Chris Nitschke of Winchester, TN., Lee Ann Messer of Frederick, MD, Robert Cochran of Dade City, FL, Neal Jones of New Castle, PA, Jennie Anne Roth and David Nitschke of Winchester, TN. A memorial songfest will be held in the Little Redstone Presbyterian Church on Saturday May 14, 2016 at 11 A.M. The Ferguson Funeral Home and Crematory, Inc., 700 Broad Avenue, Belle Vernon is handling arrangements. 724-929-5300 www.FergusonFuneralHomeAndCrematory.com

Cemetery Details

LaFayette Memorial Park

132 Twin Hills Road
Brier Hill, PA 15415

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAY **14**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Little Redstone Presbyterian Church
RR 1 Box 15438
Fayette City, PA

Tribute Wall

RB

“ ROZALIND BUTLER lit a candle in memory of Harry Carson Joseph



ROZALIND BUTLER - May 26, 2016 at 01:07 PM

RB

“ Dear, Dear Elsie,
So, so sorry to hear of Harry's Homegoing.
He will be missed, his voice will be missed but
Harry will be in the presence of his Lord & Savior.
Much Love & prayers
Roz. (724)518-2158.

ROZALIND BUTLER - May 26, 2016 at 01:06 PM

 Penny Moon

“ Russ and I will always remember our choir days with Harry. He will be greatly missed but I know he will be singing with the angels!
Love, Russ and Penny Moon

Penny Moon - May 14, 2016 at 10:32 AM

KH

“ So sorry for your loss Elsie.
Remember him singing in your apartment behind our house on Conrad Avenue in North Charleroi. And had to have him sing at our wedding 46 years ago. Love to you and you will truly miss the man of your dreams. Love, Karen (McCroroy) Hartman

Karen McCroroy Hartman - May 12, 2016 at 06:59 AM

RJ

“ Dear Frank -- My condolences to you on Harry's passing. I played softball on his teams for a few summers in the 1960s. A good guy.

Sincerely,

*Randy Jesick
Indiana, Pa.*

Randy Jesick - May 11, 2016 at 12:43 PM