



Eugene W. Podgorski

November 8, 1938 - September 22, 2015

On Tuesday, September 22nd, 2015, Eugene W. "Gene" Podgorski, age 76, of Overbrook passed away peacefully with his family by his side. Beloved husband of 57 years to Carol A. (Kukan); Father of Kathleen (Stephen) Smigielski and David "Chip" Podgorski; Poppy to A.J., Kerry and Cory Smigielski; Preceded in death by parents Walter and Nellie (Gwarek) and sister Henrietta (Matthew) Poljak. Gene was born and raised in Lawrenceville, was a veteran of the U.S. Army, active member of St. Norbert Church, long time employee of J & L/LTV Steel and remained active with SOAR. His favorite past-times included traveling and supporting his grandkids in all of their activities. Friends received Thursday and Friday 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the GRIFFITH FUNERAL HOME, INC., 5636 Brownsville Road, South Park Twp. (412) 655-4600. Funeral prayer Saturday, 8:15 a.m. with a Mass of Christian Burial in St. Norbert Church at 9:00 am. The family requests donations in Gene's name to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, PO Box 1000, Dept. 142, Memphis, TN 38101-9908. Condolences may be offered for the family at www.GriffithFH.com

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **24**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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SEP **25**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Mass

SEP **26**. 9:00 AM (ET)

St. Norbert Church
2413 St Norberts St,
Pittsburgh, PA 15234
<http://www.saintnorbertparish.org/>

Tribute Wall

PL

“ Kathy, Chip and Mrs. Podgorski,
Words can not express how sorry I am to hear about Mr.
Podgorski's passing. I have so many happy memories spending
time with your family and the wonderful funny stories your dad used
to tell. I will always remember the drives we used to take especially
the ones to the North Side for ice cones. Thanks for all the great
times. He will be greatly missed.
Love Patty Lawrence

Patty Lawrence - September 28, 2015 at 11:31 PM

LR

“ Carol, Kathy and Chip,
I'm so sorry for your loss. I loved to listen to all the stories Eugene
would talk about! He was a great person! Always would make you
laugh! He will be missed. You are in my thoughts and prayers.
Love, Linda (Lenkiewicz) Raraigh

linda raraigh - September 27, 2015 at 04:58 PM

BZ

“ Carol, Kathy and Chip,
Sincere sympathy in the loss of Gene. We had so many good times
while in the service and also over the years on holidays and family
gatherings. We will miss all of his great stories and his sense of
humor. He was a good person and I'm sure he is in Heaven looking
down on us. Rest in peace Gene.
Love Bernie and Josie

Bernard Zadrowski - September 25, 2015 at 07:32 PM

FH

“ Kathy,
Sorry to hear of the loss of your father. Unfortunately I only found out of his passing and cannot be at the funeral home to see you in person. Please extend my condolences to your mom and Chip. I remember your dad when we were growing up always being a hard worker and family always came first and I know he will be greatly missed. Take care, Fran (Van Ruiten) Hanlon

Fran Hanlon - September 25, 2015 at 05:03 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Eugene W. Podgorski.



September 24, 2015 at 11:34 AM

AZ

“ Carol, Kathy & Chip...I am so sorry for your loss. He had such a great sense of humor. When Bern and I first came to Pittsburgh he made us feel loved and welcomed, all of you did. I remember him showing us how to play cards and listening to all his great stories. Heaven has gained a great Angel. Love you all, cousin Angie Zadrowski.

Angie Zadrowski - September 23, 2015 at 10:26 PM

EZ

So sorry for your loss even though I have not seen my cousin Gene in many years. I remember what a warm and loving person he was. Too bad as life went on we did not see much of each other, but we will meet again in the kingdom of God. My prayers and love go out to his family..

Edward J. Roberta Zadrowski

Edward J. Zadrowski - September 26, 2015 at 11:08 AM