



William G. "Bill" Clarke

October 3, 1935 - June 22, 2017

On Thursday, June 22, 2017, William G. "Bill," age 81, of Whitehall, passed away at Jefferson Hospital after a short illness. Beloved husband of Charlotte E. (Stitt) Clarke for 58 years; father of Denise (John) Chester, of Belleville, Bill (Shirley) Clarke, of Northville, MI, and Michael (Lisa) Clarke, of Castle Shannon; grandfather of Matthew & Jonathon Chester, and Grant, Gavin, Jude, Sidney, and Theodore Clarke; brother of Edward, John, Mary, and the late Annabelle and Elwood; also survived by nieces and nephews. He received his Bachelor and Master's degrees from the University of Pittsburgh. Bill was a certified professional Electrical Engineer who worked at the Bettis Atomic Power Laboratory for 47 years. He received numerous invention and patent awards for his work in nuclear reactor technology. He was a devoted and active member of Baldwin United Presbyterian Church, participating as a member of the choir, and serving as a deacon and elder. Bill was also an avid runner and competed in many local races. He was the vice president of the Langley High School Alumni Association. He was a man of great faith and demonstrated that faith in his daily life. "...but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint." Friends received Sunday 2-4 & 6-8 pm at the GRIFFITH FUNERAL HOME, INC., 5636 Brownsville Road, (at 6th St.), South Park Twp. (412) 655-4600. Funeral Prayer Monday, 10:30 a.m at the funeral home, followed by services in the Baldwin United Presbyterian Church at 11 a.m. In lieu of flowers, the family requests

donations in Bill's memory to the Baldwin United Presbyterian Church.
Condolences may be offered for the family at www.GriffithFH.com

Previous Events

Visitation

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

Griffith Funeral Home, Inc.
5636 Brownsville Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15236
(412) 655-4600
<https://www.griffithfh.com>

Visitation

JUN **25**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Service

JUN **26**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Baldwin United Presbyterian Church
201 Knoedler Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15236

Tribute Wall

BC

“ *Bill Clarke lit a candle in memory of William G. "Bill" Clarke*



Bill Clarke - July 08, 2017 at 06:01 PM

DE

“ *Denise lit a candle in memory of William G. "Bill" Clarke*



Denise - July 05, 2017 at 12:32 PM

TC

“ *My name is Timothy Clancey I have known Bill since I started at Baldwin United Presbeteran church He welcomed me with open arms. he had vast responsibilities of being, elder, deacon, and singing wonderfully, being physically active, and taking care of a sick spouse. He was a very good person and I will miss him.*

Timothy Clancey - June 25, 2017 at 02:57 PM

RV

“ *I also worked with Bill for many years at Bettis. He was a fine engineer and a great help to me in my work. He was sorely missed when he retired. I will always have fond memories of him.*

Russ Verbanec

Russ Verbanec - June 24, 2017 at 03:16 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of William G. "Bill" Clarke.*



June 24, 2017 at 12:15 AM



“ *The Members Of Belleville Fire Co #24 purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of William G. "Bill" Clarke.*



The Members Of Belleville Fire Co #24 - June 23, 2017 at 09:59 PM



“ *I worked with Bill for many years. What a wonderful man, so upbeat, skillful, friendly and helpful. As a young engineer I could always go to Bill, he would help me and his sunny optimism would change my whole outlook. My condolences to the family - and please know how much Bill meant to so many of us at Bettis.*

Jeff Marsh - June 23, 2017 at 07:41 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of William G. "Bill" Clarke.*



June 23, 2017 at 03:22 PM

DC

“ 8 files added to the album *Tribute Wall*



Denise Chester - June 23, 2017 at 02:14 PM

JK

“ *Joan K. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of William G. "Bill" Clarke.*



Joan K. - June 23, 2017 at 01:16 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of William G. "Bill" Clarke.*



June 23, 2017 at 01:12 PM

OM

“ *Our Sincere Sympathy, Greg & Michele purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of William G. "Bill" Clarke.*



Our Sincere Sympathy, Greg & Michele - June 23, 2017 at 01:10 PM

DC

“ *3 files added to the tribute wall*

Denise Chester - June 23, 2017 at 12:58 PM

BC

“ *6 files added to the album Tribute Wall*



Bill Clarke - June 23, 2017 at 12:32 PM

DM

“ *1 file added to the album Tribute Wall*



Dave Masslon - June 23, 2017 at 11:08 AM

MS

“ Mike and Samantha purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of William G. "Bill" Clarke.



Mike and Samantha - June 23, 2017 at 08:45 AM

FT

“ From Mary and John Telakisl purchased the Rose Remembrance for the family of William G. "Bill" Clarke.



From Mary and John Telakisl - June 23, 2017 at 01:17 AM

DC

“ Another favorite of Dad's that really exemplified how he lived every day:

*"Life is short, and
we do not have much
time to gladden the
hearts of those who
travel the road with us.
so be quick to love
and make every effort
to be kind".*

Denise Chester - June 22, 2017 at 09:25 PM

DC

“ 6 files added to the album *Tribute Wall*



Denise Chester - June 22, 2017 at 08:51 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of William G. "Bill" Clarke.



June 22, 2017 at 08:32 PM