

Harold J. Stullenburger

July 1, 1925 - March 29, 2016

Harold J. "Stoney" Stullenburger, age 90 of Millville, passed away late Tuesday afternoon, March 29, 2016, at Inspira Medical Center, Vineland, after a brief illness.

Stoney was born in Dillonvale, OH, as the son of a coal miner and a homemaker to the late Thurmond "Stoney" and Mary (Munson) Stullenburger. Stoney was raised in Neffs, OH, where he graduated from Bellaire High School in 1943.

After high school, Stoney enlisted in the US Army and served during WW II in the 10th Armored Division, part of General Patton's Army and fought in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany. Stoney bravely fought in heavy combat conditions, including the battles of the Rhineland, Ardennes and Battle of the Bulge, earning 3 Bronze stars and a Purple Heart. At the war's end Stoney served as part of US occupational troops in Garmisch Partenkirchen, southern Germany. In 2015 Stoney was also inducted into the French Legion of Honor "for risking his life to defend liberty" while fighting in France during WW II.

After the war, Stoney attended Muskingham College, where he met his wife, Marjorie, and graduated in 1950 with a BS Degree in Business. Stoney was the first member in the Stullenburger family tree to ever attend and complete college.

After graduating from college in 1951, he then went on to play baseball as a 3rd basemen for the major league Washington Senator's farm league team in Florida.

Ending his baseball career in 1951, Stoney married Marjorie and began his business career, working for the Hazel Atlas Glass Company, the Continental Can Company and the Wheeling Stamping Company, all located in Wheeling, WV. In 1967, Stoney began a 23 year career at Wheaton Glass Company and moved his family to Millville the following year, after spending over a year commuting back and forth from West Virginia. He worked his way up in the company over the years and became the Vice President of Cosmetic Sales, and retired in 1990.

Stoney was also a member of the Osiris Shriner's Masonic Lodge, Wheeling, WV and a member of the First Presbyterian Church on Maurice River, Millville, NJ.

Stoney greatly enjoyed watching all sports, especially football, baseball and golf. He was an accomplished golfer. His favorite pastime was following and watching his beloved, Ohio State Buckeye's football and basketball teams. He was also a baseball trivia expert who

could rarely be stumped. Stoney was also an avid reader of non-fiction history books. Stoney will be sadly missed by his loving wife Marjorie (Cook); one son Mark Stullenburger and wife Janice of Cape North, Nova Scotia; two daughters Melinda Muenker and husband Steve of Phoenix, AZ and Marci Stullenburger of San Diego, CA; one brother Richard Stullenburger and wife Louise of Merritt Island, FL; one sister-in-law Shirley Reynolds of Cary, NC; and two granddaughters, Lindsay and Amy Stullenburger. Stoney was predeceased by one sister Maxine McFarland and one brother James Stullenburger.

A memorial service with military honors will be announced at a later date at the convenience of the family.

Arrangements are under the direction of Christy Funeral Home, Millville.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions be made to Honor Flight Philadelphia, P.O. Box 003, Broomall, PA, 19008. The Honor Flight Network is a charity that transports veterans to Washington, D.C. to visit their memorials.

Memories and expressions of sympathy for Harold Stullenburger may be shared on the Obituary Tribute wall at: www.christyfuneralservice.com.

## Cemetery

private

Millville, NJ, 08332

## Comments



66 Mark and Janice,

Sending my deepest sympathy. A beautiful tribute..may he rest in peace. God Bless you all.

Alice Panichello



Alice - April 08 at 09:14 AM



Hi Mark, Hi Janice~~~
I am very sorry for your loss.

Tod Eisenhuth

Tod Eisenhuth - April 07 at 05:36 AM



Mark, Janice, Amy and Lindsey, so very sorry for your loss. May your loved one(Dad and Grandpop) rest in eternal peace.

Linda DiPasquale-Morello Summerfield, Florida

linda dipasquale-morello - April 06 at 03:49 PM



I am glad to see Stoney lived a long life, although I am sure he will be sadly missed by all who knew him and loved him, particularly his family. Stoney was always a gentleman and it was a pleasure to have known him and worked with him. He had a great sense of humor and always a smile. Linda (Dew) Kennard

Linda Kennard - April 06 at 07:59 AM



I started working with Stoney at Wheaton Glass Company in the late 70's. As an executive, he had a way of training you that was part messing with you in addition to making you think and research on your own.( I actually did not realize he was messing with me, at the time.) I am sure those of you who knew him get what I am saying. Stoney was a very special and unique man and I am privileged to have known him and worked with him for many years. I have very special memories.

**Debbie Danis** 

Debbie Danis - April 05 at 09:30 PM



My sincerest condolences to the Stullenburger family. Stoney was the best boss I had ever had working throughout my entire career. He was more like a father to me than a boss and I always had the highest regard and respect for him.



Gail Riggins - April 05 at 09:04 PM



Words cannot express my admiration and respect for Stoney. We arrived at the "pentagon" the same month and his leadership and desire to help us learn the customer service ropes, along with Mr. Hetzel were both treasured and respected by we the beginners. An absolute gentleman who lead by example. Having just read the obituary, our respect for Stoney has increased tenfold. He never shared his wartime history with us. A true American veteran much like my dad. Marjie and Mark and family, the Fauerbach family was blessed to know Stoney or as I personally used to call him as a cherished friend "Burgerbits" he was always one of us regular guys which is a trait hard learned by most. Rest above my dear friend and say hi to my Dad who only left us a few months ago. See you on the other side ole friend. Donald

donald faurbach - April 05 at 08:47 PM



Mark, your family has my prayers at the passing of your father. God Bless.



66 Mrs. Stullenburger, Mark and family, my condolences for your loss. I often have used Stoney's buying the winning lottery ticket numbers the following day and then playing a practical joke on Dave Headrick who thought Stoney had won. I had just shared this with my students on April Fools day, then was informed of his passing. I have many fond memories during my sales days at the Wheaton Glass Company and how Stoney came out to the Kalamazoo, MI territory. Mark, I surprised your dad in 1984 with your picture on the Frank Wheaton oyster boat as a warden, you happen to be covering a person on vacation while I had come in to surprise my dad on Father's Day that year. I am glad to share these memories. May the memories help you at this time. His work attitude and ethic has influenced mine. Sincerely, Bruce Ferguson

Bruce Ferguson - April 05 at 05:57 PM



Our thoughts, prayers and condolences to the Stullenburger family during this time of sadness. George and Wanda Romer

George Romer - April 05 at 11:11 AM



I am so sorry to hear of Mr. Stullenbergers passing. I remember him as a very kind man. My thoughts are with you all.

Maryann Willson - April 05 at 08:49 AM



Mark, condolences to you and your family. Stoney was always a lighthearted spirit at Wheaton Industries, a gentleman and great to work with. He had a subtle sense of humor and was always in a good mood...very proud of his wonderful family!

Bonnie & Bruce

Bonnie Land - April 05 at 08:18 AM



Uncle Stoney was a heroic figure throughout my life. I loved him and will miss him greatly. My sincerest wishes for comfort and solace to Aunt Marjie, Cousins Mark, Mindy and Marcie, and granddaughters Amy and Lindsey and all his wonderful family. Uncle Stoney was a man of remarkable good humor and his stories and reflections over a long happy life are a treasure that we will always hold dear.



I want to offer my sincere condolences to the Stullenberger family. I was looking forward to taking Stoney and Mark to Baltimore in June. I always enjoyed my trips with Stoney to either the Philadelphia doctor visit or the airport. Each time we talked about his army buddies and past reunions which he enjoyed talking about. We also shared many stories from our days in the glass industry and the mutual friends we remembered. Every once in awhile we would meet in an aisle at Shop Rite and talk about our next trip to Philadelphia. I will miss his friendly greeting and his interesting stories. Stoney was one of a kind and was a patriot to the end. He was proud of his service to our country and I am proud that I knew him.

**Bob Johnson** 

Bob Johnson - April 04 at 04:31 PM