



Robert L Swenton

June 19, 1924 - December 7, 2020

Robert L Swenton, 96 of Manchester, New Jersey passed away on Monday, December 7, 2020, at home.

Born June 19, 1924 in Olyphant, Pennsylvania, Robert was the middle child of 10 children born to the late Walter and Frances Swenton.

Robert was raised in the coal counties of Pennsylvania. He was a star athlete in High School where he played football and baseball, and was signed after high school to play semi pro baseball. Soon after he was drafted into the United States Army to serve the country during World War II. Robert served his years in the Pacific Theatre of the war on the front lines. During his service in the Battle of Okinawa, Robert, while under heavy enemy mortar fire crawled on his belly to save the lives of several wounded soldiers, bringing them to safety. For this act of heroism, he was awarded the Bronze Star. It was during a visit home, prior to heading off to the Pacific, he would meet the love of his life, Ida D'Amico. They would continue to write to each other during Robert's time in the war, and soon after his return from service they would marry. They would start a family of their own and live in South Plainfield for 52 years. Robert was active in his community, as a Little League coach, and parishioner of Sacred Heart Church. Robert worked as a manager for the A&P Tea Company until 1962, he was then a manager at Shop Rite Liquors, before working as a Salesman for the Hershey Company, retiring in 1992. Robert and

Ida would eventually move to Manchester, NJ in 2003. Robert enjoyed sports, and spending time on the golf course. He was a loving man who will be missed by all those that were blessed to have him in their lives.

Robert was predeceased by his son in law Harold Berman.

Robert is survived by his beloved wife of 73 years, Ida, by his loving children, Susan Berman, and Patricia Whelan and her husband Dennis, by his cherished granddaughter Stacey Lynn Schulman and her husband Alan, adored great grandchildren, Jacob Robert and Julian Michael, and caring siblings, William, Bernard, Dolores, Leon, and Alberta,

A Mass of Christian burial will be held at 10:30 AM on Friday, December 11 at St Ambrose Church located at 83 Throckmorton Ln Old Bridge, New Jersey 08857. Interment will be in Resurrection Cemetery, Piscataway, NJ.

Because of the COVID pandemic, the family will have a private viewing on Wednesday evening; and will refrain from hosting a repast for the well-being and safety of all. A Memorial Dinner will be held at a later date. Family and friends are invited to attend the funeral mass on Friday morning, 10:30 a.m. at St. Ambrose Parish, 83 Throckmorton Lane, Old Bridge and Interment service at Resurrection Cemetery, Piscataway, N.J.

Online condolences may be made to the family at www.HegartyScaliaFuneralHome.com

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Cemetery, NJ

Piscataway, NJ

Previous Events

Service

DEC 11. 10:30 AM (ET)

St Ambrose Church
83 Throckmorton Ln
Old Bridge, NJ 08857

Service

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Resurrection Cemetery, NJ
Piscataway, NJ

Tribute Wall



“ *Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals and Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert L Swenton*



Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals and Cremation Service - December 09, 2020 at 10:09 AM

JM

Really beautiful memories! Thanks for sharing and sending love from the McKinney Family!

James McKinney - December 11, 2020 at 10:16 PM



“ *Robert L Swenton*

October 05, 2023 at 11:16 AM

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“ *Thank you for the memories! Uncle Bob always looked so neatly groomed! He always made Shirley Temple's for us kids on holidays. It was so grown up! May you all be comforted in your sorrow.*

Sandra Cortese - December 11, 2020 at 10:59 PM



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Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals and Cremation Service - December 09, 2020 at 09:32 AM

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“ *Mr. Swenton was one of the kindest men I have every known. He will be missed.*

Sincerely,

Gail Carson

Gail Carson - December 09, 2020 at 08:06 AM

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“ *Gail & Sheree Carson purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Robert L Swenton.*



Gail & Sheree Carson - December 09, 2020 at 08:03 AM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Robert L Swenton.* ”



December 08, 2020 at 07:29 PM