



Paul William "Bill" Peters

March 11, 1933 - March 26, 2017

Paul William "Bill" Peters, 84, of Chambersburg, passed away on Sunday, March 26, 2017 at the Chambersburg Hospital. He was born March 11, 1933 in Shippensburg, PA, the son of the late Paul F. and Virginia G. (Pomeroy) Peters. He was a member of St. John's United Church of Christ. Bill graduated from C.H.S. in 1951 and then from Shippensburg College in 1955 with a B.S. in Education and received his Masters of Education in 1972. He taught at Fayetteville Elementary for 38 years, several of which he was also principal. He served in the U.S. Army, first active duty and then in the Reserves. He enjoyed hunting and fishing, but flower and vegetable gardening was a passion for him. He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Roberta "Bobbie" Ann (Harrison) Peters; two daughters: Lisa Kaye Hoover (Brenton), Beth Ann Rensch (Neilan); three granddaughters: Ashley Nicole and Kerri Rachelle Hoover, Heather Renee Rensch; a brother, Gary L. Peters and four sisters: Patricia A. LaMancuso, Linda K. Seilhamer, Karen D. Fittery, Sandra P. McGehee and several nieces and nephews. The funeral service will be at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, March 31, 2017 at the William F. Sellers Funeral Home with the Rev. Robert Macfarlane officiating. There will be a viewing one hour prior to the service. Burial will be in Lincoln Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to: The Cumberland Valley Animal Shelter at: www.cvas-pets.org/donations.htm or St. John's United Church of Christ, 1811 Lincoln Way East, Chambersburg, PA 17202. Online condolences may be expressed at www.sellersfuneralhome.com.

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Peters, please visit our
Heartfelt Sympathies Store.

Tribute Wall

HL

“ Bill Peters was my fifth grade teacher almost 40 years ago, skillfully juggling principal and classroom duties. I loved being in his classroom, and I realized when I had kids of my own that he taught us much more than academics. He modeled fairness, kindness, and justice, and he had a great sense of humor. Thank you, Peters family, for sharing your dad and husband with so many children over the years.

Heather Lum - March 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family at this sad time. "Draw close to God and he will draw close to you" (James 4:8).

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DA

“ I am so sorry to hear of Bill's passing. I always enjoyed talking to him during family reunions. I was often sorry to hear that he could no longer enjoy the hunting and fishing he loved so much. So sorry for your lost.....

Dan Arthur - March 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ *Mr. Peters was my 5th grade teacher. He was such a good-natured and good-hearted person. He did not have a mean bone in his body. He genuinely loved kids and wanted every child to succeed. I am 35 years old. I was in his class 25 years ago. Over the years, I was fortunate enough to keep in touch with Mr. Peters and even see him once in a while. I was lucky enough to bump into him just a few months ago. Although I am saddened to hear of his passing, I will say this: Mr. Peters had a profoundly positive impact on me and on thousands of other children over the years. He was a good man, he lived a good life and he will be deeply missed by many.*

Jonathan Pollard - March 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ *Mr Peters was my 6th grade teacher many years ago. Despite that fact, he always recognized me when we met in the community. He was a down to earth man who not only cared about his students but his students' families as well. When we stopped to chat , he always asked about my folks and my sister as well. I don't know how he remembered all of that but he did.*
Our community has lost a decent,kind man who loved kids...and life in general. I will miss that hearty laugh and handshake ...go rest high on that mountain...your work on earth is through...

Linda Helfrick - March 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ *I am so sad to hear about Mr. Peters passing. He freely gave to so many children and their parents in his many years at Fayetteville Elementary. He was genuine and real with kids but always gave them a chance. I am glad he was my childrens' principal and teacher. My sincere and heartfelt condolences to the Peters family.*

Janet Pollard - March 29, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ To the family of Bill Peters, my prayers to the family, so sorry to hear this! I am a cousin of Bill. Although it has be years since I have seen him I it is sad to hear this. Best thoughts to you all and again you all are in our prayers. Donald Skinner Fuquay Varina, NC

Donald Skinner - March 29, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ Bobbie, we are thinking of you at this difficult time for you and your family. We live in Florida so we cannot attend his services, but we will be praying for you. Many fond memories of our time together.

Larry and Ellie (Eleanor) Gardner - March 29, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Dear Bobbie, I am so sorry to hear of Bill's passing. I know he had been battling for a while now. I will always remember and enjoyed Bill's visits to the dealership. He would come for a car wash and stay for an hour or more just to visit and chat away. We will miss you Bill. Rest in peace. I am here for you if you need anything Bobbie.

Jon Stennett - March 29, 2017 at 12:00 AM

TE

“ Dear Bobbie, I am so sorry to hear of Bill's passing. You are in my thoughts and I am praying for you. I wish we could attend the funeral, but are not able to come. But we are with you in spirit. Love, Trish

Trish Eckard - March 29, 2017 at 12:00 AM


CR

“ *Bobbie and family,*

Sending my deepest sympathies to all of you during this most difficult time. Will keep your family in my prayers.

Corinna Rotz - March 29, 2017 at 12:00 AM

AJ

“ *Bobbie & family, I am so sorry to hear of Bill's passing..he was always so kind to me and even tho he was in so much pain he always asked how I was doing and how the tearoom was..i will miss seeing him on the new step at the gym and that smile on his face ..I feel blessed to have known him and I hope Bobbie finds comfort in knowing he is with our God..until I see you again my friend..thank you for your friendship..xoxo* 

angie jamison - March 29, 2017 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ *Mr. Peters was my 6th grade teacher (and principal). I'm pretty sure I frustrated him to no end, but I also made him laugh out loud one April Fool's Day. I started a note around the class room that said "Look at the footprints on the ceiling". Of course everyone looked up! There was a bit of giggling from classmates, but the biggest, and best laugh was when Mr. Peters intercepted the note, opened it and read it, and we all saw his eyes travel to the ceiling. Oh my goodness! He was not a very happy camper when we all busted out laughing, and I got into a bit of trouble, but he was so good natured that later he told me that it was very funny, and he got a "private" good laugh out of it. Rest in peace, Mr. Peters. You will be missed!!*

Becky McKenzie Chilcote - March 29, 2017 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ *Friend & neighbor I'll be missing you, RIP!*

Kathie - March 29, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ *Bill may you rest in eternal peace!*

James Lane - March 29, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with Bobbie and family at this difficult time. May they find peace and comfort in knowing that you, P. William, are at rest.*

Joan and Edgar Coy - March 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM