



Obituary

Born: Saturday, August 21, 1937

Died: Friday, December 21, 2018

Winford W. Dyer, known to friends as "Toot", 81, of Youngsville, PA, passed away Friday, December 21, 2018 at the Rouse Nursing Home in Youngsville, PA. His passing came after a long-fought, courageous battle against Parkinson's Disease.

He was born August 21, 1937 on Indian Camp Run Road, Youngsville, PA. He was a son to the late William H. and Delila E. Dyer. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his two older brothers, George Ralph Dyer and Donald Howard Dyer, and step-mother Laura Dyer.

Toot was a proud alumnus of Youngsville High School and was a part of the 1955 graduating class. He was a member of the YHS football team. Toot served as the "Voice of the Eagles" for his alma mater, announcing football games for 45 seasons.

After graduation, he enlisted in the US Air force. He graduated from basic training at Sampson Air Force Base in Geneva, New York and was then stationed at Pepperell Air Force Base in St. John's, Newfoundland for duty as a personnel specialist. Following that, Toot was assigned to duty at Walter Reed Army Hospital in Washington D.C. until he was honorably discharged in August, 1959.

Upon returning home, he worked 42 years until his retirement as Traffic Manager at the National Forge in Irvine, PA. In addition to announcing Youngsville football games, Toot was actively involved in his community in a multitude of ways. He was a member of the Sugar Grove First Presbyterian Church, the Youngsville Sports Boosters, Rec. Commission, Lions Club, and a lifetime member of the Bull Runs Sportsman's Club. He played in the Over 30 Softball League, participated in a bowling league, co-founded (along with Dennis Engstrom) the Men's Over 50 golf League at Maplehurst, and coached the talented, award-winning Dan's Team of the Valley Girls' Softball League. He was an avid fan of Pittsburgh sports, slinky toys, running, and shoveling snow for the entire town. Toot also transported numerous groups of children to and from school during his years as a school van driver.

Toot is survived by his loving wife of 58 years, Louise Capron Dyer (who he proposed to on their first date); they celebrated their anniversary on December 16. He is also survived by his daughters Lynn (John) Martin and Kelly (Brian) Olsen, grandchildren, Reyd (Phil DeFabio) Martin, Hunter Martin, Piper Olsen, Zane Olsen, and great-grandson, Jude DeFabio. He will also be remembered by his two step-sisters, Mary Follett and Joan Moore, extended family, and

Service Summary

Visitation

2:00 PM to 4:00 PM, Sun Dec 23, 2018

First Presbyterian Church of Sugar Grove

Main St.

Sugar Grove, PA 16350

Funeral Service

4:00 PM Sun Dec 23, 2018

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dear friends. Toot opened the door of his home to all, and will be missed by many.

Friends will be received on Sunday, December 23, 2018 from 2-4pm at the First Presbyterian Church, 202 Main Street, Sugar Grove, PA. The visitation will be followed by a funeral service there at 4pm officiated by Pastor Patti Kuna.

A Celebration of Life will be held at the Youngsville American Legion Post 658, where he was a member for many years, on Saturday, December 29, from 4-6:00 pm. Family would like to thank the caring staff at the Rouse for their love, compassion, and care. Memorials can be made to the Sugar Grove First Presbyterian Church, the Youngsville Scholarship Fund, or the Rouse Resident Activity Fund.

The Nelson Funeral Home & Cremation Services, in Youngsville, have been entrusted with arrangements. Condolences to the family may be made at www.nelsonfuneralhome.net