



George J. Chmiel

August 8, 2021

Mr. George J. Chmiel, 89, of Allentown, died Sunday, Aug. 8, at Lehigh Valley Hospital Center, in Allentown.

Born in 1932 in Moosic, PA, he was the ninth of 10 children born to Felix and Caroline (Blicharz) Chmiel. He graduated from Moosic High School in 1949 and enlisted in the U.S. Army. He served as a junior lineman for the Special Services division in Germany during the Korean Conflict. He was honorably discharged from the Army in 1952 and enrolled at the University of Scranton, where he graduated in 1956 with a B.S. in Accounting.

He began his career at Northeastern National Bank & Trust in Scranton. He was a longtime member of the management team at Coca-Cola Bottling of Palmerton and an internal auditor for Coca-Cola of New York.

He was the devoted husband to Rhoann (Jones) Chmiel, his loving wife of 49 years, who died in 2010. They raised their family in Palmerton, before he moved to Allentown. He loved his children and grandchildren and supported each step in their individual journeys.

George was an avid golfer who loved Broadway shows, any sporting event and the Turner Classic Movie network almost as much as the Catholic church.

He had the wit of a vaudeville performer and the kind and gentle spirit that left a lasting impression on everyone he ever met. He will be missed by many, forgotten by none.

In addition to his wife, George was predeceased by his nine siblings. He is survived by their children, David Chmiel, of South Orange, N.J., husband of Paula Chmiel; Mark Chmiel, of Kingston, N.Y., husband of John Seidman; Richard, of Reisterstown, Md., and husband of Kimberly Chmiel, and Megan Patruno, of Allentown, wife of Joseph Patruno, M.D. He also is survived by seven grandchildren: Zachary, Nicholas, Catherine, Caroline, Luke, Daniel, and Hannah.

Services: Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 A.M., Friday, Aug. 13, at St. Thomas More Catholic Church, Allentown. Calling hours are 6 P.M.-7:30 P.M., Thursday, July 12, at J.S. Burkholder Funeral Home, 1601 W. Hamilton Street, Allentown, PA.

Donations: In lieu of flowers, please make contributions in his name to the Palmerton Area Library Association, 402 Delaware Avenue, Palmerton, PA 18071.

Previous Events

Calling Hours

AUG **12**. 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

J S Burkholder Funeral Home Inc
1601 W Hamilton Street
Allentown, PA 18102
(610) 433-5161
info@jsburkholder.com
<https://jsburkholder.com>

Mass of Christian Burial

AUG **13**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Thomas More Catholic Church
1040 Flexer Ave.
Allentown, PA 18103

Tribute Wall

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“ *Fm: McGowan Family (Mary, Jean and Ray) purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of George J. Chmiel.*



Fm: McGowan Family (Mary, Jean and Ray) - August 11, 2021 at 05:58 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of George J. Chmiel.*



August 11, 2021 at 05:33 PM

YF

“ *Your Athletic Department Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of George J. Chmiel.*



Your Athletic Department Family - August 11, 2021 at 10:39 AM

FF

“ Fred Miller and Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of George J. Chmiel.



Fred Miller and Family - August 11, 2021 at 06:31 AM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of George J. Chmiel.



August 10, 2021 at 05:16 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of George J. Chmiel.



August 10, 2021 at 11:31 AM



“ Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of George J. Chmiel.



August 10, 2021 at 10:50 AM