



James I. Lawler

December 22, 2023

James I. Lawler, 89, died peacefully Friday, Dec. 22, 2023, at the Phoebe Home in Allentown. He was the husband of the late Sylvia (Fenstermacher) Lawler for 32 years. He was born July 28, 1934, to Elizabeth (Maguire) and J. Francis Lawler, and raised in Norristown, PA. A 1952 graduate of Norristown High School, he was first employed in the family shoe business, then in sales by Yellow Freight System, Roadway Express and Akers Motor Lines. He served six years in the U.S. Naval Reserve stationed at Atlantic City Naval Air Station and Quonset Point RI, and in 1959 earned an honorable discharge at the rank of Airman.

Survivors: Sister, Margaret (Lawler) Kolimago of Blue Bell; brothers J. Francis Lawler of Boothwyn and Michael Lawler of Pottstown; and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a brother, Robert F. Lawler.

Lawler was a longstanding member of St. Francis of Assisi Roman Catholic Church, 1046 W. Cedar St., Allentown. A Calling hour will be held at St. Francis of Assisi Roman Catholic Church on Saturday, December 30, 2023, at 9 a.m., followed at 10 a.m. by a Mass of Christian Burial. Interment will follow at Greenwood Cemetery, Allentown.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Sylvia F. Lawler Foundation for the Arts, a donor-advised fund managed by the L.V.

Community Foundation, 968 Postal Road, Allentown PA 18109.
(lvcf@lvdfoundation.org).

Cemetery Details

Greenwood Cemetery

2010 W. Chew St.
Allentown, PA 18104

Previous Events

Calling Hours

DEC **30**. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church
1046 W. Cedar Street
Allentown, PA 18102

Mass of Christian Burial

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