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Joseph A. Zaharewicz, age 90, of Pleasant Hills, passed away suddenly on Saturday, December 2, 2023. Joe was born in Crescent Heights, PA, and is survived by his beloved wife of 65 years, Jacqueline. Devoted father of Joseph R. and wife, Karen and Jeffrey A.. Adored "Poppy Z" to Anna Doll, Theo, and Owen. Joe is also survived by extended family and many dear friends; especially, Bill.

A proud Marine who served during the Korean War. He studied education and received his Undergraduate and Masters Degrees from California State Teacher's College. Joe enjoyed fly fishing, gardening, outdoor chores, chatting with the neighbors and playing with their dogs. He was beloved by his family and former Peabody High students who knew him as Mr. Z.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Saturday, December 9, 2023 at 10 am at Triumph of the Holy Cross Parish, St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish, 1 Grove Place, Pittsburgh, PA 15236.

Interment to follow at Jefferson Memorial Park.

Online condolences may be shared at www.jeffersonmemorial.com



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JP

Jennifer Potthoff posted:

I am one of the neighbors who enjoyed chatting with Joe! He was a friendly and caring neighbor and my dog Sassy LOVED him. I will miss seeing him when I visit Pleasant Hills. Jennifer Potthoff

December 17 at 2:44 PM

JB

Jason Berger posted:

I have a lot of great memories of Uncle Joe from my childhood. I always loved getting to visit with him when we came to PA. He will be greatly missed.

December 7 at 8:51 AM

TB

The Bergers posted:

With love from Jason, Allison, Ryan, Sebastian, and Carol

December 7 at 6:07 AM

LZ

Linda Zug posted:

For Joe and all the wonderful, cherished memories. We will miss you. Love Eileen, Linda, Barry and Garrett

December 6 at 10:04 AM

HA

Harry Anthony posted:

I was a freshman at Peabody High School in the fall of 1961 and Mr Z. was my drafting instructor for several years. Always having a crew cut and dressed in a white shirt with a tie. He always exemplified a professional teacher and received our respect. I learned a great deal from him even to this day I have fond memories of many of my teachers at Peabody. He will be remembered.

December 6 at 9:57 AM

LA

Larry posted:

My thoughts are with you all.

December 6 at 6:26 AM



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IR

Ira Rothman posted:

Mr. "Z" was one of my most favorite high school teachers at Peabody High School. His conviction and expertise for his subject, his passion for teaching and his patience with his students spoke volumes about what kind of human being he was. I had to petition to the Vice-Principal to drop a required foreign language course in order to take Mr. Z's mechanical drafting course and stayed with it for three years. It had a profound impact on my decision to become an engineer and when I entered university and was required to take their mechanical drafting course, well, I was so well prepared, and my knowledge and drafting skills were so maturely developed compared to my fellow classmates, as a result of Mr. Z's class, that not only did I get an A with very little effort but my work was recognized by the professor and used as examples of what a good drafter was. That experience for a young freshman student, away from home, beyondt he drafting, helped me further develop a confidence in myself that holds true for me, today....I will be forever grateful. You will be missed, Mr. Z and thank you.Ira RothmanElectrical Engineer/Lighting DesignerBorealis Lighting Studio, BostonPeabody High School Class of 1982

December 6 at 6:16 AM

NB

Nora Byrne posted:

Dear Zaharewicz family,I was in Mr. Z's classes from 1979 to 1982. He was THE BEST - always in the moment, pleasant, encouraging and KIND. Mr. Z led the class calmly and with gentle humor and cultivated an atmosphere of learning and respect. Last year at Peabody's 40th reunion Mr. Z was fondly remembered by fellow students who had been lucky enough to have taken his classes. He will be missed. With sincere sorrow for your loss, Nora Byrne Peabody class of '82

December 5 at 2:14 PM

ES

Edward Snyder posted:

My condolences to the entire ZaharewiczFamily. May God comfort the family of Joseph zaharewicz during this time

December 5 at 11:00 AM

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Edward Snyder posted:

My condolences to Joe's entire family. May God Comfort you and your entire family, during this time

December 5 at 9:52 AM



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BM

Brother Marine, Mckeesport, Pa. posted:

Semper Fi Marine. Thank you for your service and sacrifice. R.I.P.

December 5 at 4:16 AM

VH

Vince Carr, Retired Principal, Peabody High posted:

Joe was a great teacher and a wonderful role model for the many students who were lucky enough to be in one of his classes. His quiet presence at Peabody was always appreciated. May he rest in peace.

December 4 at 7:44 PM

DS

Dean Shaw posted:

I had Mr. Z for my four years at Peabody. As a young man, he was my #1 role model. I went to CalU and got a degree in Industrial Arts Education, just like him. He offered me a job at Peabody when I graduated. He had a no-nonsense way about him that demanded respect, even by the most difficult students. Fortunately, I got to see the side of him that loved his students and wanted the very best for them. He taught me so many life skills that have served me well in my profession and personal life. My condolences and sympathies to his family. You will be sorely missed. Dean Shaw

December 4 at 1:32 PM

DN

Debbie Newcomb posted:

Uncle Joe had a very friendly and kind spirit. My fondest memories are from when I was a teenager and he was supportive of my goal to be a teacher. It makes sense since was a teacher too. My husband and I visited him and Aunt Jackie in 2016 and he was so gracious and welcoming. I will always remember him with love and respect. Rest in peace in God's loving hands Uncle Joe.

December 4 at 12:07 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Joseph by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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