



Alexander "Alec" G. Bell

October 31, 1925 - April 19, 2015

Alexander "Alec" G. Bell of Irwin, entered into eternal life on April 19, 2015. He was 89 years old.

Alec was born Oct 31, 1925 in North Braddock to Alexander and Susan Bell. At the age of 10, he moved to Coventry, England with his mother and brother, Jack.

In 1944, he enlisted in the US Army, where he served in France and Germany. He married Kathleen Rowley Bell, August 30, 1947 in Coventry, England, and soon after, he and his bride came to live in East McKeesport.

Alec led a full life, touching many people through a variety of his life's experiences. As the owner of Bell's Upholstery Shop in Irwin, he always welcomed people in to his shop with a friendly smile, a story, or a joke.

Alec's life reached beyond his career. He was an active member of Linway Presbyterian Church, where he had served as an Elder. For several decades, he and his wife could be found at the church on Friday morning, delivering Meals on Wheels to people in the community.

He did not pass up an opportunity to be of service to others. His benevolent spirit took him on several journeys to a small village in Nicaragua, building a

church and several homes. After Hurricane Katrina, Alec joined several groups in Slidell, Louisiana to assist in rebuilding the lives of people who had lost so much. Many of his family members have had the privilege of working side by side with him on these trips.

Alec's adventurous spirit took him on several adventures around the globe. One of his favorite being an annual bicycling trip with his son from Pittsburgh to Washington, DC.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his son, Wayne Bell; and family friend, Jenny Armen.

He will be missed by his loving and devoted wife of 67 years, Kathleen.

His memory will live on in the lives of his daughter, Sandra Sargo of Hilton Head, SC; daughter-in-law, Deborah Bell of Slippery Rock; and son-in-law, Tony Sargo of Pleasant Hills.

He will live in the hearts of his grandchildren and great granddaughters, Jason Bell, Jill Perry, Sierra and Silvi Bell of Evans City, PA; Rachel, Troy and Alexandra (Lexi) Painter of Shady Side, MD; Alexis Sargo and Matt Wilhite, of Hilton Head, SC; and Michael Sargo, New York City.

He touched the lives of his extended family, Marilyn and Bill Roberts, Elizabeth "Sis" Stitt, Glenda Mae and Rich Taylor, and close family friends, Bill and Carmella Knight.

The family members would like to thank the staff of Bridges Hospice for the loving care they provided Alec and his family the past several months.

Friends and family will be received from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday at the Forgie-Snyder Funeral Home, 1032 Broadway, East McKeesport, 412-823-8083. Everyone will gather at Linway Presbyterian Church, North Versailles, at

11:00 a.m. Friday for a funeral service with Pastor Eric Dennis officiating.

Memorial contributions can be made to East Allegheny Meals on Wheels, Linway Presbyterian Church, 600 Lincoln Hwy, North Versailles, PA 15137 or Norwin Public Library, 100 Caruthers Lane, Irwin, PA 15642.

For online condolences please visit www.snyderfuneralservices.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **23**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Forgie Snyder Funeral Home
1032 Broadway Ave
East McKeesport, PA 15035
(412) 823-8083
<https://williamsnyderfuneralhome.com/>

Visitation

APR **23**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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East McKeesport, PA 15035
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Service

APR **24**. 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM (ET)

Linway United Presbyterian Church
600 Lincoln Highway
North Versailles, PA 15137

Tribute Wall



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“ Kathy, Our deepest condolences to you and your family in the loss of Alex.

Karen, Frank, Frank & Mike Kordalski

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“ Sending condolences from, Michael ,Alison, Kyle and Kane, thinking of you all at this sad time x

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