



Edgar A. Soyke

April 6, 1926 - April 13, 2018

Edgar A. Soyke, 92, of Irwin, died Friday, April 13, 2018. He was born April 6, 1926, in Greenwood, a son of the late Edgar and Helen (Margaret) Soyke, and was also preceded in death by his wife, P. Jean (Parks) Soyke; and his siblings, William Soyke, Helen Garthwaite, Thomas Soyke, and Charles Soyke. Ed was a Navy veteran who served during World War II. He was a retired supervisor after 34 years of service for AT and T, and had many years of service with Western Electric. He was a member of First Presbyterian Church, Irwin, Shidle Lodge No. 601, Free and Accepted Masons, Irwin, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Valley of Syria Temple, Pittsburgh, and the Bromas Golf League. A longtime supporter of the Shrine Gun Club, recognized by the Pa. State Game Commission for 55 years of hunter-trapper education instruction, and lifetime NRA member, he was a mentor to hunters, golfers, and Masons. He lived his life to never bring embarrassment or shame to his mother. When his wife, Jean, failed, he gave up everything to take care of her. He has been everything to his family he could ever be. Ed is survived by his children, Rebecca A. Strickland, of New Jersey, Jennifer M. Soyke, M.D. (Jeffery Willensky), of Oregon, William E. (Sandy) Soyke, of Hanover, Kathleen K. (Donald) Falconer, of Oregon, Cynthia L. Eichelberger, of California, and Thomas C. Soyke, of Irwin; seven grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; a sister, Rita Warrick, of Elizabethtown; and nieces and nephews. Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, April 20, 2018, at the WILLIAM SNYDER FUNERAL HOME INC., 521 Main St., Irwin.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday in First Presbyterian Church, Irwin. Those attending, please go directly to the church. Masonic funeral services will be held at 8 p.m. Friday in the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, for those wishing, please make donations to Shriners Hospital for Children-Erie, Attn: Richard E. Liebel Jr., 1645 W. Eighth St., Erie, PA 16505. For online condolences, please visit www.snyderfuneralservices.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 20. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

William Snyder Funeral Home, Inc.
521 Main Street
Irwin, PA 15642
(724) 863-1200
<https://williamsnyderfuneralhome.com/>

Visitation

APR 20. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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Service

APR 21. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

First Presbyterian Church
617 Main Street
Irwin, PA 15642

Tribute Wall



“ *Edgar A. Soyke*

October 07, 2023 at 10:37 AM



“ *Edgar A. Soyke*

August 23, 2022 at 04:00 PM



“ *Our deepest sympathy to the Edgar Soyke family. Ed has been our family friend for so many years. Laura's late husband Chuck Marien, and the late Dan Moore and Edgar used to "huddle together every season in a muddy and cold duck/goose blind in Pymatuning. He and Jean were great friends.to us. From the moment I met Ed, I enjoyed every minute with him. A great loss for family and friends, but now our God has a truly special man in Heaven. Love, Andy and Laura Young.*

Andy and Laura Young - April 17, 2018 at 11:37 AM



“ *Saddened to hear that my good neighbor of forty-one years has passed away. Remembering the early morning yard sales, wonderful things growing in his backyard garden and of course Mr.Soyke's hunting dog, Pete.*

The Fleming Family

Eileen Fleming - April 16, 2018 at 01:05 PM

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“ My condolences to the Soyke family. I only got to know Edgar over the past two years, and I wish I had gotten the chance to know him longer. Yes he was very opinionated, but at his age he had the right to be. I was always in awe of the fact that he had such a clear mind and was on top of many issues. I kind of looked at him as the grandfather that I never had. Edgar and I were supposed to sit and talk about the history of the White Oak Rod & Gun Club. I guess I'll need to speak with him at a later date. I will sorely miss him.
Bill Eckenrode.

Bill Eckenrode - April 16, 2018 at 09:34 AM

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“ My deepest Condolences to the Soyke family. We at Carradam Golf Club felt Ed was a part of our family for many years. Ed brought smiles to all our faces. He was a good man who loved his family and his community and was an example to what others aspire to be. We are privileged to have known him!

Colleen Adams Ricco - April 14, 2018 at 08:30 AM