



Edward L. Matko

June 15, 1927 - October 15, 2022

Edward L. Matko, 95, of Manor, died Saturday, October 15, 2022. He was born June 15, 1927 in Latrobe, a son of the late Louis and Tresa (Gleha) Matko. Mr. Matko graduated from Latrobe High School class of 1945. He was an accomplished golfer on the school golf team ranking No. 2 behind his friend Arnold Palmer. He went on to graduate from Indiana University of Pennsylvania with a bachelor's degree in English and began his teaching career. After two years at East Allegheny School district he took a position with the Norwin School District where he taught English and coached the boy's golf and cross-country teams. His cross-country team was the only boys' team at Norwin to win the state championship. He was inducted into the Sports Hall of Fame at Indiana University of Pennsylvania for his golfing accomplishments and Norwin Sports Hall of Fame for his coaching. He was a long time active member, Elder and Deacon of Linway Presbyterian Church, North Versailles, a Coast Guard veteran and a member of the Manor American Legion. He enjoyed meeting friends for breakfast or lunch for many years. He was a dog lover and a great sports fan. In addition to his parents he is preceded in death by his siblings Mary Kabala, Jennifer Feather, and Edith Davis. He is survived by his wife Nancy (Misner) Matko of Harrison City and nieces and nephews. Services and interment at Woodlawn Cemetery were private. Those wishing may contribute in Mr. Matko's name to Linway Presbyterian Church, 600 Greensburg Ave., North Versailles, PA 15137. The William Snyder Funeral Home, Irwin, handled arrangements. For online

condolences please visit www.snyderfuneralservices.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Edward L. Matko*

October 07, 2023 at 10:37 AM



“ *Coach Matko was truly one of a kind. As Captain Kirk said he did such a great job of telling the stories of the past that just made you compete that much harder so maybe you might be in one of those stories some day! How many of us who got to run for him know that you need to do some 'Mels' to get ready for the big race. He was a special person and will be missed. Nobody ever said W Pi Al Like Coach Matko. Rest In Peace Coach!*

Greg Perz - November 12, 2022 at 04:46 AM



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mike yarosik - October 20, 2022 at 08:24 AM



Coach Matko, a legendary Coach of Norwin Cross Country ! May you Rest In Peace. God Bless You !

mike yarosik - October 20, 2022 at 10:54 AM

KM

“ The culture Coach Matko brought to Norwin CC was passed from one class to another. It made all of us better athletes, teammates, and individuals in life thereafter. Thank you Coach Matko, you finished strong! See you next season.

Kirk Mueller - October 19, 2022 at 10:30 AM

KM

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Kirk Mueller - October 19, 2022 at 10:25 AM

NL

“ One of my favorite teachers. His academic typing class got me through college. Nancy Johns (Lain) NHHS 1958

Nancy Lain - October 19, 2022 at 06:37 AM

JF

“ I’m very sorry to hear of Coach Ed Matko’s passing.... He was a very good human being, great sense of humor and a heck of a coach - very motivating and knowledgeable in the training methods for getting our team ready for the season and throughout that season.

He gave us his best coaching efforts and I believe we successfully rewarded his hard work toward his/our goals.

I really really liked Coach Matko even though he worked us hard. I believe all of our team members feel the same way as I do.

To this day... I have never forgotten this man... he was a very important part of my life... and I will always have a place in my heart and mind for Coach Matko.

Lastly, I will never forget the look on his face as we just learned we had won the Cross Country State Championship at Penn State in 1973.

God Bless you Coach Edward Matko.

Jeff Findle - October 18, 2022 at 09:23 PM

LS

a great person who cared about people

lou Savani - October 19, 2022 at 03:40 PM

KO

From the 1973 knight krier staff.... we loved you and your skinny ties. We promise not to turn out to be mo-mos. Deepest sympathy to the family.

Kathy O'Bradovic - October 21, 2022 at 01:55 PM



I got to run for Mr. Matko for one season before he retired . It was the best experience I ever had with a coach I will never forget him. Scott Cashdollar

scott cashdollar - March 27, 2023 at 07:14 PM