



Joseph F. Bukowski

March 27, 1936 - December 26, 2022

Joseph F. Bukowski, 86, of Irwin, passed away Monday, Dec. 26, 2022. He was born March 27, 1936, in Plymouth, Pa., the son of the late Joseph and Irene (Borkowski) Bukowski. After graduating from Temple, he worked 10 years as a senior chemist in the Gulf Oil Corporation Laboratories in Philadelphia and later in Harmarville. He left Gulf in 1964 to accept a position with Westinghouse Electric at Bettis Atomic Power Laboratory. He started as a senior scientist and during a 34-year career he became manager of the Materials Technology Laboratories, which performed chemical metallurgical and microanalysis testing in support of the Naval Reactors Program. He loved sharing life with all the members of his family. He also loved the outdoors all his life, whether it was camping at Sea Isle City, N.J., traveling the USA, or boating and fishing. He loved doing it because it was always done with his loved ones. Even a simple day in the back yard by the pond was so special to Joe! He was a member of St. Edward Catholic Church, Herminie. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Ruth E. (Kropp) Bukowski, and a grandson, Christopher Rieder. He is survived by his children, Deborah (Bernie) Rieder, of Greensburg, Joseph (Mary) Bukowski, of Greensburg, Edward Bukowski, of Herminie and Catherine Kruel (the late Vincent), of Herminie; grandchildren, Michael Rieder (Jessica), Brian Rieder (Kathryn), Margaret Bukowski, Teresa Sever (Chuck) and Joseph F. Bukowski; and great-grandchildren, Laurel, Madelyn, Obadiah and Elijah. Friends and family will be received from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at the

WILLIAM SNYDER FUNERAL HOME, 521 Main St., Irwin, 724-863-1200. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Saturday in St Edward Church. Interment will follow at Union Cemetery in Irwin. For online condolences, please visit www.snyderfuneralservices.com.

Cemetery Details

Irwin Union Cemetery

431 Bridge St
Irwin, PA 15642

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 30. 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

DEC 30. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Mass of Christian Burial

DEC **31**. 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM (ET)

St. Edward Roman Catholic Church
120 St. Edward Lane
Herminie, PA

Tribute Wall



“ *Joseph F. Bukowski*

October 07, 2023 at 10:37 AM



“ *Prayers of Peace, Rochem Americas purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of Joseph F. Bukowski.*



Prayers of Peace, Rochem Americas - December 29, 2022 at 01:25 PM



“ *Joe was a superb manager of the Materials Technology Laboratories at Bettis. He knew the capabilities of all his people and made the most of their capabilities in support of laboratory work from other groups at Bettis and the Naval Reactors Program. I was lucky to have him as a member of my staff in Materials Technology. In Remembrance, Gary Cowell.*

Gary Cowell - December 28, 2022 at 09:36 PM