



## Robert McKinley

July 10, 1946 - June 26, 2014

Robert G. McKinley, 67, of Westmoreland City, died Thursday, June 26, 2014, in his home. He was born July 10, 1946, in Hancock, Md., son of Goldie H. Kline McKinley, of Needmore, and the late Walter E. "Bud" McKinley. Prior to his retirement, Bob worked at Allegheny Cleanways, Project Development of Fulton County, Pa., Regional Trail Corporation, and he began his career in the insurance industry. He was a Greengate Mall Santa for several years, and enjoyed his annual Christmas appearance for family and friends. During his life, he was an active member of the Jaycees, the Boy Scouts of America, the Rails-to-Trail Conservancy and the Westmoreland County Beekeepers Association. Bob was the expert family genealogist and an early computer technology adopter. He was a quiet but strong man who was loved by many and will be missed by all. In addition to his mother, Bob is survived by his wife of 47 years, Judy (Jenny) McKinley, his children, Heather M. Grove and her husband, Donald W. Grove III, of Johnson City, Tenn., Robert S. McKinley and his partner, Allison White-McKinley, of Pittsburgh, Kathleen McKinley and her partner, Nathan Botti, of Herminie, and Patrick R. McKinley, of Erie; and six grandchildren, Liam, Gabrielle, Donovan, Anastasia, Duncan and Riley. Friends will be received from 6 to 9 p.m. Sunday and from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Monday, followed by a memorial service at 8 p.m. at WILLIAM SNYDER FUNERAL HOME INC., 521 Main St., Irwin, 724-863-1200.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Robert McKinley*

October 07, 2023 at 10:37 AM



“ *Robert McKinley*

August 23, 2022 at 04:00 PM



“ *Condolences to the family on the passing of Bob. We shared a love of Genealogy and exchanged family data. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. J. Marian Seiders (4th cousin)*

J - July 13, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *So very sorry to hear of Bob's passing. His family data collection and gravemarker photos were such a help to Fulton County Historical Society genealogists. So many of us will miss him. Glenn Cordell*

Glenn Cordell - July 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ Bob started Regional Trail Corporation in 1991, the same year I started the Monongahela River Trails Conservancy in Morgantown WV. About the same mileage - but he got his built long before we did in WV! Bob really spearheaded the development of the Yough River Trail, and led the way in taking creative steps to try new ideas. He shared a big vision of broadening the net to expand the trail system with linking rail-trails, something we are still working on with the Power of 32+ Regional Trail Initiative across 53 counties in the 5 states of PA, WV, OH, NY, MD. His great spirit moved others to join in and take ownership of their trail segments. I will always remember Bob's easy laugh, making his eyes disappear into slits, with his infectious joy and goodwill that he shared. He truly loved his work. He inspired me. I hope there can be a memorial shelter or bench or trailhead for him. He deserves to be memorialized in the trail community. Peggy

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Peggy Pings - July 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear cousin Judy and family, so very sorry to see that Bob had passed. He was such a nice guy. We are unable to come to funeral home and wanted you to know that you have our deepest sympathy. much love to you and your children, Sandie and Ed Mialki

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June 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ Harry and I are so sorry to hear about Bob's passing. We knew him from WYTC (Westmoreland Yough Trail Council) activities and Donna (was employed at St. Vincent College as Intern Director) worked with him to provide interns from Saint Vincent College for the Trail. He was so conscientious about Trail activities, developing strategies to promote growth and usage, and engaging community volunteers and trail users to join together and make the trail enjoyable for all. Bob was always smiling and devoted to his community. We will miss him. Our sincere condolences to his family.  
Donna and Harry Morrison

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**Donna Morrison** - June 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ His smile and chuckle.

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June 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM