



Mervin M. Fansler, Jr.

September 13, 1925 - March 29, 2020

Mervin M. Fansler, Jr., 94, of Annville died Sunday, March 29, 2020. Mervin was the husband of the late Rosalie J. Bollman and the late Mary A. Miller. Born in Elizabethtown on September 13, 1925, he was the son of the late Mervin, Sr. and Mary Reider Fansler. He retired as a nurse's aid from the Lebanon VA Medical Center.

Mervin, a U.S. Army veteran of WW II, received the Purple Heart. He was a 1943 graduate of Jonestown High School and attended the University of Florida before being drafted.

He attended Lebanon Valley Bible Church and the World War II Roundtable, Hummelstown. He served as a coach for Bellegrove Little League and Teener baseball and coached the Bellegrove Teener team to the Lebanon County Championship. He was an avid Penn State football fan and enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping, woodworking and traveling.

Surviving are three sons Mervin M. Fansler, III and wife Bonita, G. Edward Fansler and wife Ann, and Michael L. Fansler and wife Sue. He is also survived by step-daughters Cynthia (wife of Stanley Walter), Sandra (wife of James Appleby), his children's mother Eleanor Glancy Yeingst, six grandchildren, three great grandchildren, and five sisters: Mary Hostetter, Fern Folk, Eldora Gleim, LaRue Miller, and Esther Snook. He was preceded in death by three brothers John, Marvin, and William Fansler, as well as his beloved son Evan Fansler.

Private funeral services will be held on Tuesday, April 7, 2020 at 10:30 AM at

the Kreamer Funeral Home and Crematory which the public can Live Stream by going onto the Kreamer Funeral Home website at www.kreamerfuneralhome.com and click on Live Stream Link. Private interment will be held at Indiantown Gap National Cemetery. A memorial service will be scheduled for the public at a later date. Contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 2595 Interstate Drive, Suite 100, Harrisburg, PA 17110 in his memory.

Cemetery Details

Indiantown Gap National Cemetery

Indiantown Gap Road
Anville, PA 17003

Tribute Wall

JT

“ Fansler family - I am so sad to hear this news. So many memories of Mervin and our two families - Little League, camping trips, fishing, deer hunting. He will be sorely missed.

Jerry Taulbee - April 04, 2020 at 08:48 AM

EW

“ Merv, Ed and Mike....extending my sympathy to you and your families. Belle Grove has lost another long-time resident and pillar of the community. As a baseball coach, your dad influenced the lives of so many young boys in the area. God bless and comfort you.

Elaine Krum Winters - April 03, 2020 at 09:01 PM

RR

“ I have fond memories of Mr. Fansler as my first baseball coach. He was soft-spoken, and provided the direction, patience, and steadfastness we (the team) needed as young players. Does anybody else remember the stick of teaberry gum Mr. Fansler gave each player before (or was it after) each game? Rest in peace Mr. Fansler.

Randy A. Rhoad, Psy.D.

Randy Rhoad - April 03, 2020 at 08:53 PM

RK

“ Ed, Mike, Merv.....My heart goes out to each of you. We all grew up together not more than 50 yards apart. We all were raised by fathers who helped save the world and just came back to little 'ole Bellegrove and were pillars of the community. So many memories of hanging out in your back yard, or helping look after the house when they would go on camping trips or to Florida for the winter. Your Dad would show up at my Dad's backdoor with strawberries or other things from his garden. Seeing him and Mary sitting on their front porch night after night on the swing as I would pull in to the parking lot to start mowing the cemetery. Soooooo many memories, too many to list. Rest in Peace, neighbor.

Ron Krum - April 03, 2020 at 03:34 PM