



Robert M. Maurer

May 20, 1931 - February 6, 2024

Robert M. Maurer passed away peacefully on February 6, 2024, at the age of 92. He was the son of the late Harry and Alice Maurer. Bob was the husband of Carol Maurer (nee Nearing) with whom he was married for 66 years.

He was graduated from Bloomsburg University (BSEd) and Temple University (MSEd/ABD). While at Bloomsburg University, Bob co-coached the baseball team, which won the 1956 Pennsylvania State Championship.

Bob began his 36-year career in education with the Cornwall-Lebanon School District as a Math and English teacher for 7th and 8th grades in the South Lebanon Junior-Senior High School. He continued to teach English for grades 9 through 12 when Cornwall and South Lebanon merged to become Cedar Crest High School in 1966.

Bob continued his educational career by serving as chairman of the English Department and as a leader in the local teachers' union (CLEA). He rose to become Assistant High School Principal, Assistant to the Superintendent, Acting Middle School Principal and Adjunct Professor at Millersville University. His two most cherished accomplishments included being the recipient of the 1965 Ionian Yearbook dedication, and receiving a National School Public Relations Associations achievement award for articles he wrote for a Lebanon Daily News column titled Cornwall-Lebanon News and Views. Bob wrote 650 weekly columns for that media.

In Bob's younger years, he was an outstanding athlete and earned a basketball-baseball scholarship to Villanova, where he was captain of the

baseball team and selected as All-East All-American shortstop. While at Villanova, the Baltimore Orioles minor league system scouted and signed Bob. He played professional baseball for that organization for five years. Bob was a 50-plus-year member of St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, having served as Chair of the Christian Education Committee, a Trustee and an Elder. He was a member of the Board of Directors for the Lebanon American Cancer Society. In retirement, he logged over 600 volunteer hours at the Good Samaritan Hospital and assisted at Habitat for Humanity.

In addition to his athletic prowess, Bob was an avid reader and a skilled writer, was an eager student of politics and religion, was a fan of the Philadelphia Phillies and Philadelphia Eagles, and thoroughly enjoyed eating his favorite food, hard-shell crabs, in the company of family and friends. He was also a stellar cook and showed his love through the delicious food he created.

Bob's family includes son Dean Maurer and daughter-in-law Dorothy, son Dennis Maurer and daughter-in-law Gena; daughter Lynnette Maurer Peterschmidt and son-in-law Luke; grandchildren Jordan Maurer Parker (Brett), Drew and Ben Maurer, and Rose and Kara Peterschmidt; sisters-in-law Kay and Helen Nearing, and granddog Toby.

The family wishes to thank the staff at the Cornwall Manor Health Center for the loving care they gave to Bob. That staff, through love and dignity, helped Bob round third base and slide home safely.

As per his wishes, in lieu of a funeral service, Bob's family will receive visitors at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, 600 S. 12th St., Lebanon, PA on Saturday, February 24, from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Following Bob's wishes, his remains have been gifted to science. If desired, donations may be sent to Jack and Jill Preschool, 280 Hillcrest Rd., Lebanon, PA 17042, or Lancaster Lebanon Habitat for Humanity, 443 Fairview Ave., Lancaster, PA 17063 (please specify for Lebanon projects).

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **24**. 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church
600 S. 12th St.
Lebanon, PA

Tribute Wall

PS

“ We've lost a kind and gentle man. He was a member of St Andrews Church with us for over 50 years. I had him for class in 12th grade-creative writing.(way back inn 1970).He was always friendly and welcoming. I cannot make it to the remembrance service but my prayers are with the family.
Penny Samuelson

Penelope Samuelson - February 11, 2024 at 02:08 PM

SH

“ I had the pleasure of having Mr Mauer at CCHS 11th grade English. He was always pleasant and smiling. He brought out the best in me in class. It's lovely to read all that he accomplished in his life. I never knew about his athletic ability! Amazing. I always tell the story about writing my first college composition at Johns Hopkins and getting a D!!! Wait something is wrong here! Mr Mauer always gave me A's! I thought of him often through the years. Heaven gained a wonderful angel. RIP Mr Mauer. You were always my favorite.
Susan Rotunda Hartman
CCHS Class of '68

susan Rotunda Hartman - February 10, 2024 at 05:31 PM

KD

“ My sympathy to "Mr. Maurer's" family and friends. Mr. Maurer was one of the nicest people that I worked with way back in the early '90's at the CLSD district office. He always seemed to have a big smile and he always had some kind words for me. God Bless!

Karen L. Demmy - February 10, 2024 at 09:28 AM

JR

*My condolences to the Maurer Family. He was one of the best.
Jane Rohrbach*

jane Rohrbach - February 11, 2024 at 03:56 PM

JJ

KaWee good buddy! I'll miss you! John

John & Jean - February 12, 2024 at 03:10 PM