



William (Bill) Charles Shoop

June 11, 1953 - February 23, 2026

William (Bill) Charles Shoop of Hershey, PA, died February 23, 2026. Born in Lebanon, PA, on June 11, 1953, he was the husband of Glenda H. Shoop, and the son of the late Harry L. Shoop, Jr and Mary L. (nee Kissinger) Shoop. Bill leaves behind a personal legacy embodied in the honorable characteristics that define him, wisdom he shared, and memories that reflect his life. He touched lives in meaningful ways, left lasting impressions, and defined his life by his roles as son, husband, uncle, friend, and colleague rather than by accomplishments or acquisitions.

Bill had a special love affair with golf from childhood. Each golf game or vacation taken with his golf buddies to Pinehurst, NC, and Myrtle Beach, SC, was uniquely special. The golf course was a place not only for camaraderie, competition, and friendships, but also a place where Bill sought serenity and time for quiet reflection at crucible life events, such as the unexpected loss of his father when Bill was twenty years old.

While waiting for the arrival of Springtime to dust off his golf clubs, Bill spent time in Lake Placid, NY, his favorite winter destination, and snowshoeing to mountain peaks in the Adirondacks. In the Fall, golf and vacations took a backseat to Penn State football games. A decades-long season ticket holder, Bill hosted countless friends and family members at his tailgates; everyone was welcome. Regardless of the season, Bill enjoyed hiking with Glenda and visiting cherished friends in North Carolina, New Hampshire and Vermont. The ocean and its beaches were places Bill enjoyed for fun and tranquility. His

favorite destinations were Boothbay Harbor and Ogunquit, Maine, the rugged cliffs of Nova Scotia, the northern shores of Prince Edward Island, and the beaches of Myrtle Beach and Hilton Head, SC. He never lost his awe of the ocean's vast, untamed beauty; the endless movement of the waves and the boundless view gave Bill peace and perspective.

Bill loved his family and friends purely and without conditions. He was devoted, dependable, and a willing protector to those he loved. He led his life with courage, dignity, optimism and resilience, and in all the complexities of life, Bill focused on key pillars that make life good, such as maintaining a positive perspective, enduring relationships, commitment to his guiding principles, and appreciating life's simple gifts.

In addition to his parents, Bill was most recently preceded in death by his sister, Susan L. Kercher. He is survived by his wife, Glenda Hostetter Shoop; two brothers-in-law: John S. Kercher, Lebanon, and David G. Hostetter, Colorado (Margaret Kersbergen); two nieces: Suzanne M. Kercher, Lancaster and Mary Rachel Hostetter, Colorado (Joonas Rasanen); and a family of dear friends.

Always grateful. Always gracious. Rest in peace, Bill.

A private memorial service was held in Bill's honor. Interment is private.

In honor of his faithful support to the Lebanon Rescue Mission, please send any contribution in Bill's memory to the Lebanon Rescue Mission at 1223 Bitner Blvd., Lebanon, PA 17046.

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“ *Is this Bill Shoop that attended Brandywine Jr College 1972-1973? Also was a Salesman with Phillip Morris tobacco? If so Bill was a fraternity brother of mine (He was President) & just an overall great guy! He will be sorely missed!*

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