



Fredrich "Fritz" Harz

May 2, 2016

Fredrich "Fritz" Harz, 84, of Elmer passed away on May 2, 2016. Fritz was the son of Fredrich J. & Matilda (Franzen) Harz. He is survived by his wife, Joan (nee: Horner); children, Valarie and her husband Joseph Graciano and Eric and his wife Michele Harz; grandchildren, Adam Harz, Erika Pipitone, Ashley Cavallero and Neil Harz, six great grandchildren, Adelina, Zachary, Natali, Maggie, Mason and Gianna as well as his sister Anita Perry. In addition to his parents, his grandson Thaddeus predeceased him.

Throughout his life, Fritz was a family man, a successful businessman and had belonged to numerous organizations. But what was most important to him was his faith and his relationship to God. Whether he was reading his Bible daily, spending time in church or sharing his faith with anyone who crossed his path, he nurtured and fostered that relationship with God daily. He had this saying hanging in his bedroom and he lived by it everyday of his life, "Peace on the Outside comes from knowing God within." In addition to his faith, Fred also always expressed his deep love for his wife Joan, their children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. He cherished every moment he spent with his family.

As a businessman, Fritz was the owner of Fred Harz & Son in Elmer. Previously he served as Chairman of the board for Elmer Trust as well as the Elmer National Bank. He had also served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean

War. He was a graduate of Bucknell and Georgetown. He loved traveling. He and his wife visited every continent even Antarctica.

Fritz lived in Elmer all of his life. He loved the churches in his town. Easter sunrise service was on his lawn. He was a member of the Elmer United Methodist Church and served that church in every capacity imaginable; from heading the youth groups, singing in the choir to serving on the board, he continued to be an active member of the church throughout his life. He served as a local, state and national representative for the Methodist Church. In his younger years he was on Elmer Ambulance Corp and Jaycees. He was on the board of Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and an active member of Gideons. Fritz visited and supported missionaries throughout the world. He participated in missionary work in Europe, Africa and South America. Fritz had a passion for Ranch Hope for Boys and served on its Board of Directors; from it's beginning, to now.

Success can be measured in many ways. But for Fred, success was measured in the way he touched people's lives with the word of God and seeing that his family lived knew the love of Jesus.

Services for Fritz will be held this Friday, May 6, 2016 at the Elmer United Methodist Church, 19 S. Main Street, Elmer, NJ 08318. The viewing will be held from 4 until 7 PM with the Service following at 7:30 PM. Interment will take place at Chestnut Grove Cemetery on Saturday morning, May 7th, at 10 AM. The family has suggested that donations can be made to either Ranch Hope, P.O. Box 325, Alloway, NJ 08001 or the Gideons, P.O. Box 140800, Nashville, TN, 37214 in Fritz's memory. www.adamsfuneralhome.org

Cemetery Details

Chestnut Grove

Elmer, NJ 08318

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 6. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Elmer UMC
21 S. Main St.
Elmer, NJ 08318

Service

MAY 6. 7:30 PM (ET)

Elmer UMC
21 S. Main St.
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Graveside

MAY 7. 10:00 AM (ET)

Chestnut Grove
Elmer, NJ 08318

Tribute Wall

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Charles Olinda - February 25, 2025 at 02:13 PM

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“ Found memories of an Elmer Retreat in up state New York. My condolences to both Eric and Valarie and there families, as well as Mrs.Harz .

Sidney Irvin - May 06, 2016 at 07:54 PM

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“ The Shimp Family purchased the Secret Garden Basket for the family of Fredrich "Fritz" Harz.



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