



Herbert L. Bostwick

January 18, 2021

Herbert Linwood Bostwick, age 87, a lifelong resident of the Elmer/Pittsgrove area, passed away on January 18, 2021. Born in Elmer to the late Eugene W. and Della Mayhew (Johnson) Bostwick, Herb was a 1951 graduate of Bridgeton High School. He served his country as a member of the Signal Corps in the United States Army from 1956 to 1958. After returning home from the service, he married Marianne Dodge who he had dated for 8 years. Herb spent four years building houses (including their own home) with his brother Dave as D & H Builders before starting his career with Shell Chemical in National Park where he worked as a control room operator and retired after 32 years.

Herb was a devoted member of the First Presbyterian Church of Elmer where he served as an Elder and a Deacon as well as the Sunday School Superintendent. An avid reader, he was heavily involved with the Elmer Library. He loved gardening, growing the best pole lima beans and was a skilled woodworker, refinishing furniture and caning chairs. He also truly loved being able to travel back and forth with Marianne to visit Diane and her family in Hawaii. He was a friendly, devoted, caring person, strong in his faith and always willing to lend a hand and share a smile.

Herb is survived by his loving wife Marianne Bostwick; his daughter Diane Spencer (Emil); grandchildren Craig Bostwick Jr. (Amanda), Keith Bostwick (Mary), Haley Spencer and Kihei Spencer; great grandchildren Craig III, Bellarose, Caleb and Lucas Bostwick; his brother Leigh Bostwick (Barbara); sister in law Grace Benfer-Bostwick; and several nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his son Craig Bostwick Sr. and his siblings Charlotte, Eugene, David, Blinn and Elbridge Bostwick.

A graveside memorial service will be held on Wednesday, January 27, 2021 at 11 AM at Chestnut Grove Cemetery in Elmer. Due to the current pandemic restrictions, everyone is asked to please wear a mask and practice social distancing. In lieu of flowers, the family has asked that donations be made in memory of Herbert Bostwick to the First Presbyterian Church of Elmer, PO Box 553, Elmer, NJ 08318 or the Elmer Library, PO Box 372, Elmer, NJ 08318.

Cemetery Details

Chestnut Grove

Elmer, NJ 08318

Previous Events

Graveside

JAN 27. 11:00 AM (ET)

Chestnut Grove
Elmer, NJ 08318

Tribute Wall



“ *Meat & Cheese Sympathy Gift Crate was purchased for the family of Herbert L. Bostwick.*



January 27, 2021 at 11:43 AM

PG

“ *Diane,
Our hearts are breaking for you. I'm so very sorry about the loss of your dad. He was a true gentleman so kind and thoughtful. We feel honored to have known him. He made us instantly feel at home. You and your mom will be in our thoughts and prayers in these difficult days ahead. Love and hugs. Patty and Mark.*

Patty Gray - January 27, 2021 at 12:25 AM

PM

“ *Patty and Mark purchased the Heart's Companion Bouquet for the family of Herbert L. Bostwick.*



Patty and Mark - January 27, 2021 at 12:14 AM

DO

“ *Will be missed at the town tavern. Dottie and the girls* ❤️

Dottie - January 25, 2021 at 02:39 PM

LK

“ *Marianne and Diane and family: I am so sorry for your loss. Herb always had a smile for everyone and he always said your name when he asked how you were doing. I had the privilege of assisting Pastor Janet with communion at his home. What a lovely man. I will miss him. My prayers and thoughts are with you all.*

Linda and Frank Kisiel - January 23, 2021 at 05:12 PM

SB

“ *Our heartfelt condolences to the Bostwick family!*

Jack & Sally Bender

sally bender - January 21, 2021 at 08:20 PM

DR

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. Dave and Barb Repenning*

David A Repenning - January 21, 2021 at 07:12 PM

EL

“ *Dear Diane,
What stands out as a fond memory of your dad is his smile and the warm reception he always gave to my visits throughout the years. God gained another angel, and may He give you, your mom, and the Bostwick family strength and peace as you mourn his loss.*

Love, Liz

Elizabeth Lentz - January 21, 2021 at 11:20 AM