



Richard A Maerz

April 4, 2024

Richard A. Maerz , On April 4, 2024 age 97 of Marlton formerly Moorestown, NJ. Born on May 6, 1926 in Philadelphia PA., He married his late wife Mary R. Maerz in 1948 and together they moved to Moorestown NJ in 1953 after starting a family, where they resided for 60 years. Richard and Mary remained happily married for 64 years until Mary's passing in 2012. Richard graduated from Olney High School in Philadelphia and served in the 86th Infantry Division, during World War II, from 1944 to 1946 both in Europe and the Pacific theater. Richard worked for the Philadelphia Inquirer from 1956 to 1982 during which time he managed the paper's real estate advertising section before he retired in 1987. He was an accomplished sailor and avid sailboat racer. He introduced his wife and children to the sport of sailing; a passion he enjoyed at the Surf City Yacht Club where he became a member the Board of directors. Richard also had a love of music, sang, played drums and encouraged his children to explore music themselves. He was a member of the Pine Baron's barbershop quartet and sang in the Choir at Our Lady of Good Council church. Richard's free time, when he was not busy with his seven children, was spent enjoying figure skating on Strawbridge Lake, tennis, photography, and watching his children play high school sports. During his retirement Richard especially enjoyed traveling throughout the country, and internationally, with his wife and he started a second career as a travel agent allowing him to visit almost every national park in the country.

Father of seven children and survived by, Richard C. (m. Debra Maerz), Gary

W., Robert S., (m. Tia Welch Maerz), Donna Lee (m. Cass Dorn), Douglas M., David J., and Maryann (m. Brian Hobbs); and Grandfather to Richard V., Caralyn, Megan, Christina, and Natalie, and Great Grandfather to Richard N. Graveside services will be held 1 Pm on April 15th at Lakeview Memorial Park, Rt. # 130 Cinnaminson, NJ.

Condolences may be left at www.lewisfuneralhomemoorestown.com

Cemetery Details

Lakeview Memorial Park

Rt. # 130 North
Cinnaminson, NJ

Previous Events

Graveside Service

APR 15. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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William L. Cooper - April 11, 2024 at 02:21 PM

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