



William David Constantine Sr

July 11, 1939 - October 11, 2024

William David Constantine Sr., aged 85, of Moorestown, New Jersey, passed away peacefully at home, with his loving family by his side on October 11, 2024. Born on July 11, 1939, Dave was known for his big personality, loving nature, and kind-hearted spirit. He was an intelligent man with a fun-loving attitude and a broad knowledge base that made him a cherished figure among his family and friends.

Dave's life was marked by a distinguished career and a dedication to service. He proudly served in the New Jersey Army National Guard for 9 years, 7 years of which were on the Missile Site with Battery A 1st Missile Battalion 254th Artillery Unit, displaying a commitment to duty and country. After his military service, Dave ventured into entrepreneurship, owning his own construction company for a decade. He then dedicated 28 years to the Moorestown Township Public Schools as the Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds. His commitment to community service extended to 44 years as an active member of the Moorestown Fire Department, serving 6 years of those as Chief of the department, as well as being a Life Member. In 1987, Dave was recognized as Citizen of the Year in Moorestown.

Beyond his professional and service commitments, Dave was a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel, attending Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Maple Shade for grade school. His hobbies included working in his barn, gardening,

cooking, and indulging in his passion for train collections and military patches. He also enjoyed vacationing with family and friends. His favorite places were Walt Disney World, Ocean City, New Jersey, and Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, along with many others.

Dave is survived by his loving family: his wife, Bernadette Constantine (Reis), his daughters, Susan Constantine (Lisa Tomasetti), and Karen Constantine-Sommese (Scott Sommese), his grandkids, William Constantine III, Juliana Sommese, Jessica Constantine, Dominic Sommese, and Thomas Constantine. Also survived by his brothers and sisters, James Constantine Jr., Charles F. Constantine, Scott Constantine, Denise Constantine, Kathy Cicale, and Terry Knowles, and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, James Constantine Sr. and Elizabeth Constantine (Sauselein), his son, William David Constantine Jr., his brothers and sister, Frank Constantine, Robert Constantine, Edward Constantine, Jane Batoff, and Donald Constantine.

Services to celebrate Dave's life will be held on Friday, October 18, 2024, at Our Lady of Good Counsel in Moorestown, New Jersey, with the viewing from 9 AM to 11AM followed by a Mass at 11AM. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Chief William David Constantine Jr. Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o Burlington County Training Office Association, P.O. Box 1517, Burlington, New Jersey 08016, Attention: Lee.

Dave's legacy is imprinted in the hearts of those he touched with his generosity, love, and unwavering spirit. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

Previous Events

Viewing

OCT 18. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Good Counsel
42 West Main Street
Moorestown, NJ 08057
(856) 235-0181
<http://www.olgcnj.org>

Mass of Christian Burial

OCT 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Good Counsel
42 West Main Street
Moorestown, NJ 08057
(856) 235-0181
<http://www.olgcnj.org>

Interment

OCT 18. 1:00 PM (ET)

Calvary Cemetery
Rt. # 70
Cherry Hill, NJ

Tribute Wall

LA

“ I have lived a block down from the Constantine's for most of my life and began getting close to them, Dave in particular, when I would see him walk his beloved dog down the street every day. Then I started to bring their newspaper up to their side door in the morning. We all became fast friends.



With my love of baking, I discovered Dave and Bern's love for sweets. It thrilled me no end to show up at all hours of the day and night with goodies fresh from the oven to tempt them. The joy received was always very evident and it warmed my heart to see the utter happiness I had brought.

My visits were filled with meaningful conversations of life's trials and tribulations, Dave's endless stories told with such wonderful expression. One day he took me down to see his collection of trains. A true passion of his obvious in its physical and verbal presentations. A real treat for him to share with me.

Dave's love for his family, including the dog and his community were evident in every aspect of his life. He always gave 100% plus in everything he did. His family life was rich with a love and respect rarely seen these days. The gatherings at his home were endless whether by one or several of his family members. I am sure these will continue because of the strong legacy he leaves behind.

To Bern, Susan, Karen and Maggie I give my deepest sympathy and sincerest condolences. He will always be with you. Reach for him often.

For his life dedication and service to the Fire Department, I light a red candle in his honor and thank him for being my dear friend. I miss you very much.

Lisa F Attix - October 18, 2024 at 09:42 AM

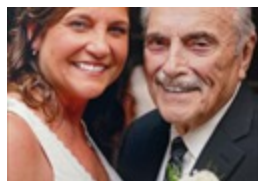
KM

“ *Mr. Constantine is our hero. If it wasn't for him we would have grown up without a daddy. For those that remember the mill fire many years ago in Moorestown, Mr. Constantine got the ladder up on the other side of the fully engulfed building so my dad and his crew could get off the roof before it collapsed. Our dad was the last man down. Seconds later The roof caved in. With all our heart, we will always remember Mr. Constantine as the man who saved Dad's life. Love, Kathy and Deanna (Dean Wiltshire's girls)*

Kathy Wiltshire McShea - October 18, 2024 at 09:16 AM

SC

“ *Thank you for making everyday special and showing me Love; always! You are the best most amazing dad I could've ever asked for! I miss you already and love you so much! Susan* ❤️



Susan Constantine - October 15, 2024 at 04:41 PM

DH

“ *He was an awesome man. Family, friends, Fireman...was proud to know him. God bless*

Dean Hutchinson - October 15, 2024 at 02:13 PM



“ I loved hearing Dave whistle a song on his way in and out of the fire district office, he was quite talented! I still think of him to this day when i hear someone whistling. Sending our condolences to the entire family, he was a special man.
Sharon & Scott Zimmerman

Sharon Zimmerman - October 15, 2024 at 05:20 AM



“ Dad; I can't believe you're not here with us in the physical sense but I know you're here with us in the spiritual sense and I am so very thankful for that! I know you will be looking down on us; along with David. I love you and miss you so much already! Susan & Lisa ❤️
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Lisa Tomasetti - October 14, 2024 at 08:17 PM



“ Kevin and I were so sorry to hear of Dave's passing. He was such a nice man. He and Bernadette were wonderful neighbors. My mother just adored him and she was a good judge of character. Our prayers are with you Bernadette, Susan and Karen and your families.

Nancy and Kevin Scully - October 14, 2024 at 02:47 PM

JA

“ *Joan Austin lit a candle in memory of William Constantine*



Joan Austin - October 14, 2024 at 02:17 PM

DC

“ *We are saddened beyond words over the loss of my Uncle Dave. He was such a great family man and inspiration to everyone who knew him. Spending much of his life as a fire fighter and Chief, he was the epitome of selfless service. We will miss him forever! Cynthia and I send our deepest condolences to Aunt Bernadette and the family. Our hearts and prayers go out to all of you!*

Donald Constantine - October 14, 2024 at 10:59 AM

ST

“ *My Uncle Dave was a great guy! Ornerly! Loved his stories! He will be greatly missed! RIP !*
Sandy

Sandy Tucker - October 13, 2024 at 08:38 PM

RG

“ *Mr. C, thank you for your friendship over many years. From neighbors, Fire fighting, train shows and our shots of Crown on my visits.*
You're going to be missed Chief.

Richard Gunning - October 13, 2024 at 08:30 PM

JH

“ I have known Dave for over 55 years, and served with Dave in the MFD for over 20 years. Dave you will truly be missed by all who knew you. RIP my friend.

Jack Hall - October 13, 2024 at 03:53 PM

RB

“ My heart is heavy, we have lost a wonderful, kind and loving man. I have know Dave , or I should say he has known me for my entire life, I will always love and miss him. My thoughts and prayers are with Bernadette, and all the family. xoxo Rosemary Sauro Bailey

Rosemary Sauro Bailey - October 13, 2024 at 01:47 PM

KA

“ Thanks for being the best dad and always making our lives fun. Love you so much and can't imagine life without you. ❤️



Karen - October 13, 2024 at 01:16 AM

JU

“ Miss you already Poppop, love you ❤️



Juliana - October 13, 2024 at 01:10 AM

JU

“ Miss you Poppop, love you ❤️



Juliana - October 13, 2024 at 12:45 AM