



## Albert W. Whalen

September 20, 1932 - April 6, 2021

Albert W. Whalen of Mount Joy, PA passed away, surrounded by family, on Tuesday April 6, 2021 at the Masonic Village Health Care Center in Elizabethtown, PA. He was born in Pottsville, PA son of the late Albert and Marie (Ernst) Whalen.

In addition to his beloved wife of 64 years, June (Heinaman), Albert is survived by his daughter Kim Whalen (Joel Barch), son Scott Whalen, (Brenda Billet), his granddaughter Marisa Whalen and sister Doris (Whalen) Mayberry.

He graduated from Minersville High School in 1950. As quarterback, Albert led the 1949 Minersville football team to the Eastern Conference Championship defeating Old Forge. He earned a degree from Elizabethtown College in Business Administration and was also a graduate of Lancaster Business School.

Albert proudly served his country, with honor, in the U. S. Army during the Korean Conflict. He served with the Combat Engineers attaining the rank of Staff Sergeant. He began his professional career at RCA's Lancaster Plant before retiring after 38 years of dedicated service to RCA as Superintendent of Plant Facilities in 1993.

Albert was a Life Member and Past Commander of the Walter S. Ebersole American Legion Post 185 in Mount Joy. He received the distinguished honor of District 10 Commander of the Year in 1987 and 2009. He held Life Memberships in the VFW Post 5752 in Mount Joy, Mount Joy Sportsman's Association, Mount Joy Fire Department, The Lancaster Liederkrantz, Casiphia Lodge 551, Lancaster Lodge of Perfection, Harrisburg Consistory and Tall Cedars of Lebanon-Lancaster Forest 27. He was also a proud member of the 11 Gallon Club at the former St. Joseph's Hospital in Lancaster, PA. He was Grand Marshall of the 2014 Mount Joy Memorial Day Parade and proudly supported his brethren in the military and first responders.

He loved his family, spending winters with his wife June in Hilton Head Island, SC, chocolate chip cookies and the Philadelphia Eagles. He was thrilled to have lived long enough to watch his Philadelphia Eagles soar to victory in Super Bowl LII in 2018.

He was a member of Glossbrenner United Methodist Church in Mount Joy. Albert is preceded in death by his parents and his brother Walter Whalen.

Interment will be private, at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the VFW Post 5752, 125 Longenecker Road Mount Joy PA. 17552.

# Tribute Wall

TB

“ My father Frank E. Bendrick and Al Whalen were life long friends, and also teammates on the Minersville High School football team, which won the 1949 Eastern Conference Championship. It is apparent that Mr. Whalen and my father were very proud of that small town accomplishment throughout there lives. My dad was always proud to tell me that they used black coal dust to mark the lines on the football field because of the snow storm the night before. As a child, I remember visiting the Whalen house with my father and experiencing the joy between two good friends. My father passed away last week, which led me to track down Mr. Whalen, to let him know of my dads passing. I was sad tobread that Mr. Whalen already knew about his friends passing and welcomed him.  
Terry Bendrick (son)

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**Terry Bendrick** - January 25 at 06:18 PM

WG

“ Dear June and family, Having lost so many friends and family members over the past year, I was devastated to hear of Al's passing. I had been wanting to get in touch with Albert for months, but while caring for aging parents, ourselves, and dealing with the Covid restrictions, something always got in the way. "Uncle Albert" will always be cherished as a long-time friend. I will especially remember him as a morning person with a twinkle in his eye. He was always enthusiastic and encouraging over the years, and his love and devotion to his family were always on display. Instrumental in having me return to RCA after a 6-7 year sojourn, we were regular lunch buddies, Sandy and I are deeply sorry for your loss and will keep you in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Woody and Sandy Gingrich** - April 12, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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April 11, 2021 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ *Memories of our long discussions at Legion's meetings and picnics*

Martha Hood - April 11, 2021 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *our deepest sympathy to the whalen family at this time. barry and janice styer*

JANICE I STYER - April 11, 2021 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ *June and family Sorry to hear of Al's passing. He was a great guy.*

Jerry Buchko - April 11, 2021 at 12:00 AM

VW

“ *I love remembering your dad's mischievous smile and how all your dogs loved and followed him around your house. He also loved to brag on you, Scott & Marisa and explain to me how wrong my politics were/are. He will be missed. Sending you love and peaceful thoughts. XOXO*

Vallory Welday - April 09, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ *Albert W. Whalen*

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April 08, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ *Uncle Al will always be remembered as a man who shared so much of life with others, living it to the fullest. His devotion to family and friends will be cherished forever. His love for you will forever be a part of you. We are keeping you in our prayers as you remember your husband, father and grandfather.*

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**Carol & Don Gilbert** - April 07, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ *Albert W. Whalen*

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