



GEORGE H. HEDRICK, JR

November 19, 2016

George H. Hedrick, Jr., 69, of Mount Joy, passed away on Saturday, November 19, 2016. He was the devoted husband of Barbara Hartman Hedrick with whom he shared 46 years of marriage. He is also survived by his son Jim Hedrick of Mount Joy, a step daughter Denise (Christian) Jaehrling of Florida, one granddaughter, Kolbie Brown, a brother, Terry (Linda) Hedrick of Belleville PA, his sister in law Terri Nicholaou (Frank) Francino of Tucson AZ. He was preceded in death by a sister Bonnie Coover. A 1964 graduate of Donegal High School, he proudly enlisted in the US Navy and served his country in Vietnam. Wounded in action, he was the recipient of the Purple Heart. Prior to serving his country, George joined the former Friendship Fire Company, Mount Joy in December, 1964, a predecessor to the current Fire Department Mount Joy, and began a 40 year career in firefighting including serving as Fire Chief for Mount Joy. Upon his return from his service in the Navy, the "Dutchman" as he was known to family and friends, was appointed to Harrisburg Fire Bureau, in 1975 and began his career at the Pleasant View Firehouse on State Street. He was later promoted to Lieutenant in 1985 and later attained the rank of Captain in 1995. Due to his illness, he was transferred to headquarters, and retired in 2005. George will be fondly remembered for his dedicated service to others and his community, and his infectious smile which welcomed many family and friends. A Funeral Service honoring George's life and dedication to service to others will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church, 47 West Main Street, Mount Joy, PA on Saturday, November 26, 2016 at 11 am. Private interment will be in Indiantown Gap National Cemetery, Annville PA. A viewing will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church on Saturday morning from 9 to 10:45 am. Fireman's Honor Guard Services will be conducted by members of Fire Department Mount Joy, and Harrisburg Bureau of Fire. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to FDMJ, 111 New Haven Street, Mount Joy, PA 17552, or to the American Cancer Society, 314 Good Drive, Lancaster PA 17603. On line condolences may be directed to www.sheetzfuneralhome.com