



## Harold E. Turner

February 9, 1935 - August 30, 2024

Born February 9, 1935, at home in Woodland, Pennsylvania to parents Leonard and Bessie (Putillion) Turner. He was the third of eleven children. He was known as "Son" to family.

He married his high school sweetheart Ella Mae "Ellie" Thompson on October 10, 1952.

He was a lifelong baseball enthusiast. He played in the Black Diamond League in Clearfield County and loved watching the Pittsburgh Pirates. The name Black Diamond reflected the heritage of the local coal region. He also enjoyed watching the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Harold enjoyed being outdoors - hunting, fishing, taking trips with his wife, son, grandchildren and some of his siblings. He owned a timeshare in Hawaii and spent many winters in Florida with his wife where he was able to do more fishing. While he got to travel the world, he often shared stories about his favorite trip to New Zealand.

Early in life he worked in his hometown coal fields located in Clearfield County. He was either operating a bulldozer or providing maintenance on heavy equipment. In 1968 he moved to Lancaster to work as a machinist for RCA and eventually becoming the foreman of their R&D machinist department. With the sale and closure of RCA, he started his own business in 1987 alongside his wife and son, Harry. Both grandchildren worked at J & S Machining Corporation - Joshua in the shop and Samantha in the office. The business remains in the family with his grandson as the current owner.

He was preceded in death by wife Ella Mae, parents Leonard and Bessie, brother Russell, and sisters Norma and Shirley.

He is survived by his son, Harry of Manheim; two grandchildren - Joshua, husband of Dominique, Manheim and Samantha Thamavong, wife of Wilfred, Mount Joy; two great-grandsons - Josiah and Solomon; two brothers - Ron (Judy), Bud (Sharon); five sisters - Shelby, Annie, Brenda (Marvin), Susie (Barry) and Sandy (Dave).

A Celebration of Harold's life will be held at the Sheetz Funeral Home, 16 E. Main Street, Mount Joy, PA 17552 on Wednesday, September 4, 2024 at 2 PM. Family and friends will be received from 1 PM until 2 PM. A private interment will be at Manheim Fairview Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Westgate Baptist Church, 2235 Harrisburg Pike, Lancaster, PA 17601.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 4. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Sheetz Funeral Home, Inc.  
16 E Main St  
Mount Joy, PA 17552  
(717) 653-5441  
<https://www.sheetzfuneralhome.com/>

## Celebration of Life Service

SEP 4. 2:00 PM (ET)

Sheetz Funeral Home  
16 East Main Street  
Mount Joy, PA

# Tribute Wall

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“ Wendy Sipple lit a candle in memory of Harold E. Turner



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**wendy sipple** - September 04, 2024 at 01:35 PM

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“ Your family had a treasure in Harold. He was with his family in church at Westgate Baptist every Sunday with his wife and daughter Samatha. I still remember his smile along with Ella's. Mat God's love and peace confort you at this time. In Christian Love, Sharon Brooks Amey

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**Sharon L. Amey** - September 04, 2024 at 12:27 PM

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“ We extend our deepest sympathy to you, Harry and family on the passing of your father. Delmas Gehman and the team at Earl Weaver Contractors

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**Delmas Gehman** - September 01, 2024 at 07:37 AM