
Harry David Novak

Harry David Novak was born June 17, 1936, and entered into eternal rest March 12, 2017, at home surrounded by his family.

Harry was kind and generous. He supported many charitable organizations, and was always willing to help others in need, not only with monetary donations, but with his time. He brought dignity to the world.

Harry was born in Mountain Top, and graduated from Fairview High School. He enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserves, and then served in active duty, where he attended basic training at Fort Dix, N.J. He was later stationed at Fort McClellan, Alabama, where he met his wife, the former Linda Catt of Petersburg, Indiana.

Harry and Linda were married in 1960, and lived in Buffalo, N.Y., before moving back to Mountain Top to raise their family.

Harry worked as a draftsman for Lacy, Atherton & Davis, and Utility Engineers/Quad Three Group before retiring in 1998.

Harry was a dedicated leader for St. Jude's Boy Scout Troop 60 from 1979 to 2010, serving as scout master for many of those years. Harry helped mentor hundreds of young men and saw 32 earn their Eagle Scout award, including his sons, Dave and Steve. He was an avid outdoorsman who loved to hike and camp. With the Boy Scouts, he hiked all segments of the Appalachian Trail in Pennsylvania, and the Loyalsock and Black Forest Trails.

When not with his family or the Boy Scouts, Harry could be found working around the house and in his yard. He loved landscaping and gardening. He was a builder, and loved sketching out building projects and landscape designs. He was also an active member of the Mountain Top community. He served as a former Vice President of Mountain Top Hose Co. 1, and was a member of the American Legion. He was a life parishioner at St. Jude's, where he and his wife regularly participated in Sunday evening Adoration.

Harry loved the New York Yankees, and could recite the starting lineups for every team they fielded. His favorite player was Mickey Mantle.

Above all, Harry adored his wife, Linda, and his entire family. Along with Linda, Harry raised five children, and was known as "Pop-Pop" to his six grandchildren. He never missed a sporting event, recital or graduation.

Harry is survived by his wife, Linda, and their five children, Kim Gaetano (Rick), Lisa, Dave (Cheryl), Maggie (Mike Petrone), and Steve (Deidre).

Harry adored his grandchildren, Scott Gaetano and his fiancé Jaime Baldoni, Dani Novak, Kristen Gaetano, Bailey Novak, Lexi Gaetano, Madi Krowantka, Brendan Sample and Erin Sample.

He is also survived by his sister, Dolores Wickiser, Mountain Top.

Harry was predeceased by his parents, Charles and Maude Colton Novak; his brothers, Frank, Bob, Charles and Paul; and his sisters, Mary and Barbara.

Harry leaves a legacy with his family and friends that will never be forgotten, and he will be dearly missed.

A church service will be held at 9:30 a.m. Friday in St. Jude's Church, Mountain Top. Friends can call between 4 and 7 p.m. Thursday at McCune Funeral Home, Mountain Top.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to [St. Jude Children's Research Hospital](#) .

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