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**Stephen J. (Russ) Koviack**



Stephen J. (Russ) Koviack recently passed away peacefully at his home in Hixson, Tenn., with his bride of 62 years at his side after battling cancer.

Born March 2, 1932, Steve grew up in the Blackman section of Wilkes-Barre, living most of his adulthood life in Mountain Top.

A former Navy man assigned to Air Squadron VC33 serving at land and sea, a union worker assembler at Foster Wheeler for 30 years, and a devoted husband, he enjoyed riding his bike, playing the harmonica, and laughing with family and friends around the dining room table. Steve spent much time studying American history, and shooting pool with his Tennessee sharp shooter pals.

Surviving are his wife, Marion, and family pet, Minnie; daughter, Marian, and granddaughter, Heather, Virginia; daughter, Kate and husband, Jay Petel, Pennsylvania; son, Dan and wife, Mary, Pennsylvania; son, Steve and wife, Roxanne, Tennessee; granddaughter, Sarah Dorsey and husband, Tim, Pennsylvania; and sister, Mildred Roth, New Jersey.

A memorial service was held at Holy Spirit Church, Tennessee. An interment prayer service will be held at the grave site at St. Mary's Cemetery, Hanover Township, at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the SPCA, or the Hospice of Chattanooga at [www.hospiceofchattanooga.org](http://www.hospiceofchattanooga.org).



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