



Obituary

Died: Tuesday, January 7, 2020

Jim Heldenbrand, 89, died on January 7, 2020, in Frederick, MD. He is survived by his wife of 68 years, Myrna Westgate; son, David and wife Jennifer, of Mapleton, Utah; son, Paul and wife Lupe, of Woodbine, MD; daughter, Rebecca and husband Bernard Smith, of Braddock Heights, MD; and daughter, Ruth and husband Jean Pierre (J. P.) Cowell, of Rohrsersville, MD; grandchildren, Julieta and husband Jordan Rine, David Heldenbrand, and Lexi Smith; great-granddaughter, Faith Reeves; brother, Richard Heldenbrand and wife Ruth, of Goshen IN; and sister, Arla Mae and husband William McNeff, of Burnsville, MN. His parents, Rex and Grace Heldenbrand, preceded him in death.

Service Summary

Memorial Service

Sat Feb 01, 2020

Middletown United Methodist Church

7108 Fern Ct.

Middletown, MD 21769

Mr. Heldenbrand was born in Lincoln, NE, and attended Lincoln High, where he played football and met Myrna. In 1952, he graduated from the University of Nebraska with a Bachelor's in mechanical engineering, and he was a member of the M.E. honorary society Pi Tau Sigma, Cornhuskers football team and Air Force ROTC. He served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War, and was a commercially-rated private pilot. He was employed by Douglas Aircraft, Honeywell, National Institute of Standards and Technology (formerly NBS), and the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE). He was Manager of Standards for ASHRAE at the time of his retirement.

He was an active member of the United Methodist Church, holding various positions of leadership including Frederick Rescue Mission Meal Coordinator and enjoyed volunteering on home repair trips with the church until age 80. Interment will be at Juniata Cemetery, Juniata, NE, at 1:30 p.m. January 18, 2020, (Boyd E. Braman Mortuary, Omaha, NE). The memorial service will be at Middletown United Methodist Church in Middletown, MD, at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb 1, with a gathering in the social hall afterwards. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be sent to Middletown UMC, 7108 Fern Ct, Middletown, MD 21769.

Donald B. Thompson Funeral Home, Middletown, was in charge of local arrangements.