



## Earl W. Munch Sr.

March 20, 1932 - April 23, 2020

Earl Wallace Munch, age 88, died April 23, 2020, at home, with his family by his bedside. Earl was born March 20, 1932, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania to the late Emil and Effie Sheffler Munch of Swissvale.

Husband of Mary L. O'Connor Munch; father of Earl (Debbie Kozen) Munch Jr., Susan Grupe and Sandy (Rick) Ferman; grandpa of Shannon Ferman, Brandon Grupe, Rachel Grupe, Daniel Munch, Lorien Knight, Stephan O'Connor, Erin O'Connor, Carolyn O'Connor and great-grandpa to Harley Knight; stepfather of Robert (Sara) O'Connor, and David (Dianne) O'Connor; brother of Emile, Sheila Munch Sichak and the late Carl Munch and Shirley (Munch) Keswick.

From an early age, Earl combined a friendly, outgoing personality along with an aptitude for mechanical engineering, likely learned from his father, owner of a local auto dealership. Earl also greatly enjoyed working with people and dedicated many of his years to teaching, serving as an automotive instructor at Allegheny County Technical schools.

He also was athletic, playing football and other sports as a youth.

After high school, he served with the U.S. Army in Korea, serving with a special unit that often worked behind enemy lines. Earl was recognized as a Master Mason and participated as a Shriner.

In his 40s, Earl earned his college degree while working full-time with his three children living at home.

His father's Studebaker dealership was well-known in Swissvale and

throughout the East End of Pittsburgh in the 1940s and 1950s, and his parents had a circle of friends of various nationalities known as the “League of Nations.”

Even with his busy teaching schedule, Earl worked out extensively, and could frequently be seen walking around North Park Lake at a rapid pace.

Friends will be received on Monday, 3-6 PM at Simons Funeral Home, Inc. 7720 Perry Highway, Pgh, PA 15237.

In order to remain within the rules of Covid19 guidelines and avoid social gatherings in groups of more than 10 people, friends are asked to remain in their cars as they wait in line to visit with the family. Please pull under the portico, exit your car one at a time, and enter the building. After greeting the family, please exit the building and allow the next family to pay their respects.

# Cemetery Details

## Allegheny County Memorial Park

1600 Duncan Avenue  
Allison Park, PA 15101

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 27. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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Pittsburgh, PA 15237

# Tribute Wall

SK

“ Prayers and condolences to you Mary Lois. It was my pleasure to know Earl and have good memories of visiting you and Earl at your house.

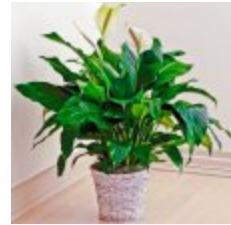
God Bless you both.

Sean Kelly

Sean Kelly - April 28, 2020 at 02:30 PM



“ Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Earl W. Munch Sr..



April 26, 2020 at 09:17 PM

LR

“ Love, Debbie Rodenbaugh purchased the European Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Earl W. Munch Sr..



Love, Debbie Rodenbaugh - April 26, 2020 at 04:44 PM

SM

“ Mark and I have fond memories of Uncle Earl visiting us in Ohio. A very young Kyle went running towards him with outstretched arms yelling “Grandpa!” then got this very confused look on his face. 😊. Loved when Emile and Earl would get together and talk for hours about their lives growing up. Much love, Susan and Mark Munch

Susan Munch - April 26, 2020 at 02:01 PM

FF

“ From Mark and Susan Munch and family. purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Earl W. Munch Sr..



From Mark and Susan Munch and family. - April 26, 2020 at 01:55 PM

MG

“ Was my automotive teacher at steel valley vo tech in 1977 . Put me on a path as an automotive technician till this day. God bless you Mr Munch or as we used to call him the Duke of Earl

Mark Glaser - April 26, 2020 at 01:12 PM



“ Fields of Europe was purchased for the family of Earl W. Munch Sr..



April 26, 2020 at 01:08 PM



“ Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White was purchased for the family of Earl W. Munch Sr..



April 26, 2020 at 11:03 AM



“ *Healing Tears - All White* was purchased for the family of Earl W. Munch Sr..



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April 25, 2020 at 11:08 PM



“ *Shirley Munch and family purchased the Plants-A-Plenty* for the family of Earl W. Munch Sr..



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**Shirley Munch and family** - April 25, 2020 at 07:37 PM



“ *Roses For Sympathy* was purchased for the family of Earl W. Munch Sr..



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April 24, 2020 at 08:49 PM