



Milton A. Campbell

October 6, 1922 - September 16, 2018

Milton A. Campbell, "Milt," age 95, of Columbus, passed away Sunday, September 16, 2018 at the Healthcare Center at the Forum at Knightsbridge. Milton was born October 6, 1922 in Caddo Oklahoma, population 998, where he spent his childhood and worked as a printer's apprentice until enlisting in the Navy during World War II. He chose to pursue aviation while in the Navy and was transferred to Chicago where his task was to help establish the Aviation Training School on Navy Pier. He also served in the Weather Observatory Squadron in Miami, Florida flying through hurricanes. Eventually, he transferred to Port Columbus to accept planes from Curtis Wright Aircraft for the Navy. He married a Columbus girl, Annabelle Stephens, in 1944. Milt graduated from Capital University in Business Administration, cum laude and entered the Life Insurance business in 1951 as an agent with Union Central Life. He had extensive experience working and teaching in the insurance industry and went on to receive his Master's in Public Administration from the Ohio State University in 1983. He was also an instructor at Ohio State and lectured on various insurance related topics. Milt had many hobbies over the years. He was a long-time member of Maple Grove Methodist Church where he loved singing in the choir. He sang in a barbershop quartet, participated in vaudevillities and also directed many local productions (Tempo 1961-1965). Other hobbies included golfing, gardening, wood working, and just visiting with friends and neighbors. He also loved celebrating his milestone birthdays with family and friends. His love for life was contagious and he said that his goal

everyday was to make at least one person smile. He was preceded in death by his wife of 65 years, Annabelle (Stephens) Campbell, of Columbus, and his parents; George A. and Lula (Markham) Campbell, and his brother, John C. "J.C." Campbell, all of Caddo Oklahoma. His survivors include his children, Christine (Roy) Jewett, Stephen R. Campbell and Connie (Tom) Kelch, all of Columbus; grandchildren, Kyla (Gregg) Dembowski, Nick (Eileen) Jewett, and Dustin (Nikki) Kelch, and six great-grandchildren, all age five and under: Annabelle, Myles, Rowen, Leo, Elliott and Risely. Milt was a wonderful husband, father, grandfather and Great Papa. Have fun singing with the choir in heaven. We love you and will miss you. Friends may call from 12-3 p.m. on Saturday, September 22nd, 2018 at the RUTHERFORD-CORBIN FUNERAL HOME, 515 High Street, Worthington, OH 43085. A funeral service will be held 2:00 p.m. Sunday, September 23rd, at Maple Grove United Methodist Church, 7 W. Henderson Rd., Columbus, Ohio 43214, Rev. Pastor Patricia Wagner officiating. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Kobacker House, 800 McConnell Drive, Columbus, OH 43214. To leave online condolences visit www.rutherfordfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Calling Hours

SEP **22**. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Rutherford-Corbin Funeral Home
515 High Street
Worthington, OH 43085
(614) 885-4006
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Funeral Service

SEP **23**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Maple Grove United Methodist Church
7 West Henderson Rd.
Columbus, OH 43214

Tribute Wall



“ *Rutherford Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Milton A. Campbell*



Rutherford Funeral Homes - September 21, 2018 at 01:08 PM



“ *Milton A. Campbell*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *On recently learning of Milts death,I reflected on many happy occasions in the company of Karen Kennedy and Milt, a wonderful couple sharing humor, respect, and love for each other. Karen's generosity of spirit, inclusion and care of Milt, greatly enriched his life.*

We will drink a toast to Milt and their friendship.

Condolences to Milt's family and friends.

Vera A . Attia.

Vera A. Attia - October 17, 2018 at 01:45 PM



“ *The service and sacrifice of Milton Campbell will never be forgotten. Milt flew on an Honor Flight in September 2010, and is a part of our memories and history. Our cherished World War II Veterans quite literally saved the world, in exchange for a debt of sacrifice that we will never be able to repay. On behalf of Honor Flight Columbus, please accept our most sincere condolences.*

Peter MacKenzie - September 26, 2018 at 01:32 PM



“ *God Bless/RIP. A heartfelt Thank YOU, Milt for your service in WWII. The USA would NOT be as it is today. I treasure the freedoms for which YOU fought.. And Semper Fi.*



Herb Guyer-Sharfenaker USMC - September 24, 2018 at 10:48 AM

LP

“ Christy, My parents, Katie (Overholt) and Harry Whitehouse were good friends of your parents. We have never met, but I was told the story many times that you and I were baptized at 5th Avenue EUB on the same day. My parents moved to Cincinnati when I was 6 months old but my mom's parents lived in Columbus. When they would visit Columbus, they would call or see your mom and dad. There were always Christmas cards and I can remember some pictures of you. My dad passed away in 2006 and my mom was living at a retirement center in Mason, OH. She then decided to return to Columbus and live at Wesley Glen. I can remember several times over the years taking my mom to visit your mom and dad. I live in Columbus. Your dad showed me his garden and I think his prize roses. Just wanted you to know what a friend your dad (and mom too) were to my parents over many years. My condolences to your family.

Linda Whitehouse Pace

Linda S Pace - September 22, 2018 at 04:44 PM

MW

“ Family...So sorry to learn of Milt's death, but I can't think of another person that truly lived life to its fullest! Milt was my favorite and the best insurance instructor while at OSU. We'd still meet for lunch occasionally with fellow OSU friends. He always had the best stories and a constant smile on his face. We loved Milt as I'm sure everyone did. He will be missed, but just think of all the projects he's already started in heaven! God Bless.

Mitch Wilson

MITCH WILSON - September 22, 2018 at 09:37 AM

PN

“ *My name is Paula Norris and I did Annabelle's hair for many years up until her death and I remember how tenderly Milton took care of Annabelle. They would come into the hair salon together, Milton would wait there till she was finished. One day they said it was their Anniversary so I took their picture there in the salon, got it developed ,put it in a frame and gave it to them on their next visit. A loving couple, Milton was a Gem !!!!!*

Paula Norris - September 21, 2018 at 07:11 PM

NG

“ *Family,
Milt had the gift of connection. Ten years ago, he invited me to be part of the group that went to T.J.'s after Sunday services at Maple Grove United Church. I invited my husband to join me with Milt and gang. Milt listened to all our stories of life and he shared his life experiences as well as jokes. I will always remember your hugs, and kisses, (Yes, as a woman, you made me feel special.) As a couple, you encouraged us to reach out to others at your birthday parties and other occasions. Thanks, Milt, for the memories. Nancy and Kirk Gay*

Nancy Gay - September 21, 2018 at 10:01 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Milton A. Campbell.*



September 20, 2018 at 07:49 PM

SB

“ We are so sorry to hear of Milts passing. He was a special neighbor and friend.

Sandy and Sue Beech

4282 Lawnview Dr. (now) Punta Gorda Florida.

sandy beech - September 20, 2018 at 09:07 AM