



Peter Shears, Jr.

December 11, 1932 - January 4, 2024

Peter Shears Jr. of Powell OH passed away peacefully on Thursday, January 4, 2024 at the age of 91. The last days of his life were filled with the love of family and friends.

Pete was born on December 11, 1932, to Peter Sr. and Mary (Fedora) Shears in Lansford, PA.

In high school, Pete was a star football player and was inducted into the Carbon County Hall of Fame, PA. He was the first in his family to attend college securing a football scholarship to Yale University, graduating nearly 75 years ago. He then continued to play football while serving in the Army for a couple of years after college.

Pete met the love of his life Eleanor on a summer day in their early 20's. They were married in the Byzantine Catholic faith in August of 1957 and recently celebrated their 66th anniversary.

After a long career in business management, he retired from Mettler Toledo and found a passion for serving on the board of Cornerstone Academy and Columbus Humanities Arts and Technology Academy, two local charter schools for over 20 years.

Faith and the love of God guided Pete throughout his entire life. He loved the church community and participated fully in every way he could. "Everything in moderation" was his mantra influencing his daily life choices.

Pete was a kind and generous soul who never missed an opportunity to socialize with friends and new acquaintances, always adding a sense of humor. He was passionate about his life with Ellie, working together with pride to provide a beautiful home and gathering space for a growing family.

Pete was preceded in death by his parents Mary and Peter Shears Sr., sister Irene Shears, brother Jerome Shears and his son Peter Douglas Shears.

Pete is survived by his loving wife Eleanor (Hedesh); daughters Barbara Shears, Renee (Sam) Raisch, Margo (Myron) Shapiro, daughter-in-law Laura Shears and six grandchildren: Anna (Andy) Smith, Mary Mohr, Alli Shears, Lizzie Shears, Maggie Shears, Peter Shears and two great grandchildren Hudson and Cooper Smith.

Visitation will be at the Rutherford Funeral Home, 450 W. Olentangy St., Powell, OH on Wednesday, January 10, 2024, from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be Celebrated on Thursday, January 11, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, 10700 Liberty Rd., Powell OH. Burial will follow at Resurrection Cemetery, 9571 North High Street, Lewis Center, OH.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to: St. Joan of Arc Church, 10700 Liberty Road, Powell, Ohio 43065 in memory of Peter Shears Jr.

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Cemetery

9571 North High Street
Lewis Center, OH 43035

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 10. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Rutherford Funeral Home at Powell
450 West Olentangy Street
Powell, OH 43065
(614) 792-1471
info@rutherfordfuneralhome.com
<https://www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com/>

Mass of Christian Burial

JAN 11. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church
10700 Liberty Road
Powell, OH 43065
<http://www.stjoanofarcpowell.org/>

Tribute Wall

JC

“ My sincere condolences, Ellie, on Pete’s passing. He is surely reaping his heavenly rewards from his exemplary life. Pete was a driving force in making St. Joan a vibrant parish. I always enjoyed working with him! God bless you all.
Judy Custodio

Judy Custodio - January 11, 2024 at 09:31 AM

JW

“ I met Pete when Renew came to St. Joan’s. He was always a positive force and did so much for our parish. He will be missed and was loved by so many of us. May you rest in peace, Pete. Jennifer and Mike Witt

Jennifer Witt - January 10, 2024 at 09:18 AM

TF

“ Tuck And Pauline Fuller lit a candle in memory of Peter Shears, Jr.



Tuck and Pauline Fuller - January 09, 2024 at 11:57 PM

TF

Our condolences to Renee and the Family.

Tuck and Pauline Fuller - January 09, 2024 at 11:57 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Peter Shears, Jr..*



January 09, 2024 at 09:13 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Peter Shears, Jr..*



January 09, 2024 at 06:28 PM



“ *Thomas A. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Peter Shears, Jr..*

Thomas A. - January 09, 2024 at 06:00 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Peter Shears, Jr..*



January 09, 2024 at 03:12 PM



“ *Grant A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Peter Shears, Jr..*

Grant A. - January 09, 2024 at 01:42 PM

BC

“ Brian C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Peter Shears, Jr..

Brian C. - January 09, 2024 at 12:43 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Peter Shears, Jr..



January 09, 2024 at 12:43 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Peter Shears, Jr..



January 08, 2024 at 08:45 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Peter Shears, Jr..



January 08, 2024 at 08:16 PM



“ Kevin M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Peter Shears, Jr..

Kevin M. - January 08, 2024 at 02:13 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Peter Shears, Jr..



January 08, 2024 at 02:13 PM



“ I will always appreciate Mr. Shears tenacity. He will be missed.



David Moody - January 08, 2024 at 01:41 PM

TB

We had the blessed opportunity, and God given opportunity to be Pete and Ellie Shears, their neighbors, right next door, for over 32 years. Loved catching Pete outside by our shared ravine, and just talking to him through the years about his life playing football in college and Yale University and Toledo scale, and just every opportunity I ever had I knew what a great man Pete was, and That I could learn a lot from him and I sure did overall all these years. When I had to retire early from my profession, due to a bad back, and I had to have a back fusion, fixation surgery, I wasn't able to physically take care of my driveway to remove the snow and my wife Frankie had to work at that time. So who would show up to plow our driveway other than Pete. I could go on and on because 32 years is a long time and there many many many more stories I could tell of Pete seeing a need and volunteering to help us out. Frankie, Maggie, and I loved and love Pete. I know he is with our Lord right now in heaven, and that gives me great comfort. We will miss Pete tremendously. God bless you, Pete and Ellie and Barb, Renee, Sam, Margo, Myron, and all the grandchildren, extended family, and many friends. Love to you all. May God give you comfort and peace at this time.

With Love. Troy Boldon ❤️ 🙏

troy boldon - January 08, 2024 at 09:42 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Peter Shears, Jr..*



January 08, 2024 at 11:41 AM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Peter Shears, Jr..*



January 08, 2024 at 11:29 AM

MA

“ Margo Andros planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Peter Shears, Jr..

Margo Andros - January 08, 2024 at 08:34 AM

MA

“ Margo Andros purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Peter Shears, Jr..



Margo Andros - January 08, 2024 at 08:34 AM

DR

“ Doug, Angie and Ava Rechtine planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Peter Shears, Jr..

Doug, Angie and Ava Rechtine - January 07, 2024 at 08:08 PM

DR

“ Doug, Angie and Ava Rechtine purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Peter Shears, Jr..



Doug, Angie and Ava Rechtine - January 07, 2024 at 08:08 PM

SY

“ Sharon Y. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Peter Shears, Jr..

Sharon Y. - January 07, 2024 at 07:11 PM

CM

“ *May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,*

May your memories of Peter Shears Jr., give you peace, comfort and strength...

Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete. I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom. You will not be forgotten.

*My thoughts
and prayers to the family of*

US Army Veteran, Peter Shears Jr., is “A True American Hero” God Bless†

† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13 †

Cheryl J Skinner Tri-State Military Muse - January 07, 2024 at 07:26 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Peter Shears, Jr..*



January 06, 2024 at 09:49 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Peter Shears, Jr..



January 06, 2024 at 02:17 PM



“ *Serene Retreat* was purchased for the family of Peter Shears, Jr..



January 05, 2024 at 05:16 PM



“ *Hardy Family* planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Peter Shears, Jr..

Hardy Family - January 05, 2024 at 05:16 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Peter Shears, Jr..



January 05, 2024 at 05:12 PM