



Earl M Kerchner

October 25, 1926 - April 30, 2021

Earl Kerchner peacefully passed away at home surrounded by family and friends early on the morning of April 30, 2021.

He was born on October 25, 1926, the youngest of nine children born to Mahlon and Katie (née) Zettlemoyer. Kerchner in Lenhartsville, PA. He was married for 69 years to the late Margaret A. (née Karns). Together they had three children, Kathryn (Kerchner) Dalecki (Walter) of Elkton, MD, the late Dale M. Kerchner, and Judith Kerchner of Southampton, N.J. He is also survived by three grandchildren, three great grandchildren, and one great great grandchild.

Earl was a lifelong farmer, having been raised on a dairy farm in Berks Co., PA.

He served in the U.S. Army during the latter years of World War II in both the North African and the European theatres as a medic.

In 1952 he and his family relocated to Chatsworth, N.J., where he worked at A.R. DeMarco Enterprises, growing cranberries and later blueberries, eventually becoming manager of that farm. He retired in 1993 but remained a valuable resource for that business for many more years.

He served in various capacities with the local cranberry association. He was also active in his township, serving at times in the township's committee, also the planning and school boards.

Earl loved nothing more than hunting and walking the mountain trails of his youth. He was a skilled butcher and an excellent cook.

He will be deeply missed by his family and lifelong friends.

Graveside services will be held on Wednesday at 12:30pm at the Chatsworth Cemetery.

Tribute Wall



“ *Earl M Kerchner*

October 29, 2022 at 11:57 AM



“ *Earl M Kerchner*

October 29, 2022 at 09:53 AM



“ *Vickie Bush lit a candle in memory of Earl M Kerchner*



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My condolences to the Kerchner family. Such a nice man. Rest in peace Earl. Job well done.

Vickie Bush - May 02, 2021 at 07:55 AM