



William J. Mitchell

July 19, 1930 - November 17, 2017

William J. Mitchell, of the Retreat section of Southampton, went home to be with the Lord on November 17, 2017 after a twelve-year battle with Parkinson's Disease. He was 87 years old. He died at home with his wife of sixty-three years and his family by his side. His wife was his caregiver and constant companion. He will always be remembered as a loving and devoted husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather and a dear friend to many in his community.

Mitch was born in Woodward, Oklahoma and raised in Parsons, Kansas. He was the son of Edmond and Orlena Mitchell and brother to Wesley and Wayne. He graduated from Parsons High School and enlisted in the Navy. He served in the Navy for ten years and was honorably discharged. He served aboard the battleship USS New Jersey during the Korean War and later on the USS Boston. In 1951, on a weekend trip to New Jersey, he met his future wife and they married in 1953. Mitch was a lithographer and worked for many years in Philadelphia for Braceland Brothers Printing and in later years was a blueberry grower, a job he truly loved. He was a member of Oak Grove Presbyterian Church for over sixty years and also a member of the Retreat Gunning Club.

Mitch is survived by his wife, Joan (nee Wells) and his children John (Susan), Todd (Dawn) and Paige Cranmer (Ed). Grandchildren Brent (Angela), Jason (Christy), Joe (Victoria), Scott (Amanda) and Rebecca Bauer. Great-grandchildren Caleb, Luna, Ixchel, and a baby girl on the way.

The family wishes to thank Samaritan Healthcare and Hospice for their kindness and care and especially Nurse Carla Haines. A special thanks to his friend and Doctor, Stephen M. Land and his home aides Veronika and Nance. Honoring Mitch's request, there will be no services. Since he helped so many others, any donation in his memory may be made to Samaritan Healthcare and Hospice, 5 Eves Drive, Suite 300, Marlton, NJ 08053 or to Oak Grove Presbyterian Church, PO Box 2212, Southampton, NJ 08088.

Cemetery Details

Private

Tribute Wall



“ *William J. Mitchell*

October 29, 2022 at 11:57 AM



“ *William J. Mitchell*

October 29, 2022 at 09:53 AM



“ *I'm so sorry for your loss Paige. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. I'm always here if you need me.*

Cathy Reese - November 27, 2017 at 09:13 PM



“ *Dear Mitchell family:*

I wish to convey my sincerest condolences to your entire family. Losing a loved one in death is one of the hardest things that anyone will ever have to deal with. There is a great hope held out to us for the future because God promises to bring those we lost back to life by means of a resurrection to a paradise earth, where sickness and death will be no more. I hope this brief message will bring you a measure of comfort in this difficult time.

Johnson family - November 24, 2017 at 05:27 PM



“ *To Paige and the entire Mitchell Family, Please accept my sympathy's on the passing of your dear dad. Hugs and prayers from me to you all. Marsha Jones*

Marsha Jones - November 22, 2017 at 09:44 PM

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“ *Many heartfelt prayers and condolences go to the entire Mitchell family. Our deepest sympathy and love are with you. Love the Messino family*

Cathi Messino & Mark - November 22, 2017 at 08:16 PM

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“ *He was a very kind man who was always willing to help others. I also remember he loved to tease and was quick with a joke. Blessings.*

Lori - November 21, 2017 at 07:32 PM