



Francis Raymond "Butch" Hauer

August 27, 1920 - January 10, 2013

Francis "Butch" Hauer, age 92, of Stevensville, MD passed away peacefully on January 10, 2013 at Anne Arundel Medical Center in Annapolis, MD with his family by his side after a brief illness.

Butch was born in Baltimore, MD on August 27, 1920 the son of William and Agnes Hauer one of seven siblings. He married the former Catherine Kline on January 15, 1944 and they were looking forward to celebrating their 69th wedding anniversary later this month.

Butch enlisted in the Navy before his 18th birthday and was eventually assigned to the USS Leary that was sunk by the Germans on Christmas Eve 1943 in the North Atlantic. After spending over eight hours in the frigid waters Butch and 78 other survivors were rescued by the USS Schenck. Butch served in the Navy for twenty years with varied assignments in communications and electronics throughout the world. He continued his professional career as a civil servant at NAVELEX in Crystal City, VA for eighteen years before retiring a second time. He then started an electronic consulting company directly supporting the Navy in the implementation of their portion of the Worldwide Military Command and Control System before retiring a third time in in 1984.

Butch was very active in his community, but was especially proud of being one of the founding fathers of the Kent Island Elks Lodge. In 1978, he and nine other members worked together to design and build the current Kent Island BPOE Lodge #2576. He loved the Elks and served in several different officer

positions over the past 35 years, holding the office of Exalted Ruler on two different occasions. In honor of his dedication to service the Elk membership recently renamed their main hall "Hauer Hall"

.In addition to being an Elk, Butch was also a member of the Knights of Columbus, VFW, American Legion, Life member of the Retired Officers Association, The Fleet Reserve, The Navy Memorial Foundation and the Tin Can Sailors Association.

Butch is survived by his wife of 69 years, Catherine Hauer, of Stevensville, Md., his son William and his wife Ruth of Baltimore, Md. his daughter Dolores DeBlois and her husband Ronald of Bishopville, Md., and eight grandchildren. Granddaughter, Kayleen Darrow and her husband Jon, granddaughter Gwendolyn Crisafulli and her husband Matt, grandson William Hauer Jr.. and his wife Sarah, grandson, Nicholas Hauer, granddaughter, Joellyn Scott and her husband Brian, granddaughter, Linda Kwelberg and her husband Todd, Grandson Robert DeBlois and his wife Linda, granddaughter, Mary Ledbetter and her husband Dan, and seven great grandchildren: Monica Crisafulli, Natalie Crisafulli, Mason Darrow, Erik Kwelberg, Aidan Kwelberg, Ryan DeBlois, and Patti DeBlois, and Butch's brother James and his wife Rose Hauer of Baltimore, Md. He was predeceased by two brothers, William and Earl, and three sisters, Eleanor Owings, Agnes Carre and Virginia Annis. In lieu of flowers please consider donating to St. Christopher's Building Fund, P.O. 660, Chester, MD 21619.

Friends may visit at the Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A. in Chester, MD on Sunday, Jan. 13 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 pm and on Monday, January 14 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 pm.

A funeral mass will be held at 11 am on Tuesday, January 15 at St. Christopher's Catholic Church in Chester, MD.

Burial will follow at St. Peter's Catholic Cemetery in Queenstown, MD.

Cemetery Details

St. Peter's Catholic Cemetery

5319 Ocean Gateway
Queenstown, MD 21658

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 13. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Chester Location / Kent Island
106 Shamrock Road
Chester, MD 21619
(410) 643-2226
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Service

JAN 15. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Christopher's Catholic Church
1861 Harbor Drive
Chester, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Francis Raymond "Butch" Hauer*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - January 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Francis Raymond "Butch" Hauer*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Francis Raymond "Butch" Hauer*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Francis Raymond "Butch" Hauer*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Tyler Watson-Jones lit a candle in memory of Francis Raymond "Butch" Hauer*



Tyler Watson-Jones - February 05, 2013 at 03:44 PM

TW

“ R.I.P Uncle Butch. You were a great person! Lost but never forgotten!

Tyler Watson-Jones - February 05, 2013 at 03:43 PM

LE

“ You were the one who sponsored Chris to be an Elk member. I remember the old good days and will miss your friendly face on Friday night dinners.
Louise Ephraim

Louise Ephraim - January 19, 2013 at 01:05 PM

DW

“ Darlene And Steve Woodhurst lit a candle in memory of Francis Raymond "Butch" Hauer



Darlene and Steve Woodhurst - January 14, 2013 at 03:26 PM

TO

“ My condolences to the Hauer Family. May you find comfort during this very difficult time in your lives. The loss of a dear loved one is heartbreaking, but we can find comfort from Gods word. John 5:28,29 assures us of a promise made from God that our dear loved ones sleeping in death would hear Jesus voice and come out of their memorial tombs. God promises to resurrect them back to life on a paradise earth where sickness and death will be no more. Revelation 21:4 Isaiah 25:8. What a wonderful promise to look forward to seeing our dear loved ones again.

Tonia - January 14, 2013 at 01:38 PM

KL

“ *Kathy Link lit a candle in memory of Francis Raymond "Butch" Hauer*



Kathy Link - January 13, 2013 at 08:04 AM

CP

“ *1 file added to the album Tribute Wall*



Christie Pecor - January 12, 2013 at 12:06 PM

BG

“ *My deepest thoughts and prayers go out to Cathy and her family, We will always remember Butch with good thoughts and remember all the good times we spent with you guys through the Elks. Our best memory of Butch, we called it his Good Night Walk, when he would always walk around the bar and lounge and say good night to everyone before he would leave the lodge. We will miss him and his Good Night Walk.*

Love you, Barbara and Arthur

Barbara and Arthur Goehring - January 12, 2013 at 12:02 PM

LM

“ *May your family please accept my deepest condolences. I hope these words are of some comfort from the Bible there will come a time where God will wipe out every tear from our "eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away.” (Revelation 21:4)*

Jesus Christ will resurrect our loved ones. This promise we can look forward to, to be fulfilled very soon. May everyone get well in this moment.

Lenette Martin - January 11, 2013 at 04:51 PM

LH

“ *Our deepest sympathies go out to the family of Mr. Butch: his wife, Catherine, his children, Bill and Dolores, along with their spouses and grandchildren. Each time we saw him, he always had a ready smile and a helping hand even though one hand might've been holding that pipe between his lips. He was a true patriot in every sense of the word. We will miss him.*

Lorraine & Bob Hilker

(neighbors and extended family)

Lorraine Hilker - January 11, 2013 at 02:30 PM

LH

“ *1 file added to the album Tribute Wall*



Lorraine Hilker - January 11, 2013 at 02:27 PM

KD

“ I will always remember the way he'd say "We love you babe", he was the most wonderful grandfather ever. My heart aches.

Kayleen Darrow - January 10, 2013 at 06:36 PM

LK

So sorry Kayleen

Linda D Kwelberg - January 10, 2013 at 07:41 PM

ML

" You Grandfather (Mr. Butch) was a wonderful man and how he and your Grandmother put up with my antics at our bayhouse I will never know from boats, loud cars, dirt bikes and parties. I surely will miss him and his willingness to always help me when I needed it."

Michael Leo LaMartina - January 11, 2013 at 12:34 PM

LK

“ Liz Kunz lit a candle in memory of Francis Raymond "Butch" Hauer



Liz Kunz - January 10, 2013 at 05:11 PM