



Peter Howe Neilson

July 6, 1942 - May 20, 2024

Peter Howe Neilson of Chestertown, MD passed away on May 20, 2024. He was 81 years old.

He was born in Connecticut on July 6, 1942, the son of the late Richard and Janet (Howe) Neilson. As a small child he moved to Penn Wynne, Pa and later resided in Newtown Square in 1953. He graduated from Marple/Newtown Senior High School with the class of 1961 and later attended the Spring Garden Institute for automotive mechanics. He served in the U.S. Army for two years, stationed at Ft. Monmouth, New Jersey where he was trained as a M.P., and was honorably discharged in 1966. After his military discharge, he lived in California for a year, where he worked as a mechanic before moving back to Newtown Square, PA. He then joined the Newtown Township Police Department in 1967 where he worked as a police officer. In 1984 he became police sergeant until his retirement in 1998. On May 24, 1969, he married his wife, Louise (Johns) Neilson, and the two resided in Newtown Square to raise their family. After his retirement, he and Louise built a home in Tolchester, MD and moved permanently in 2004.

Peter was active with the Tolchester Community Association until the time of his death. He was a past member of the Newtown Square Presbyterian Church. He enjoyed boating on the Chesapeake Bay where he would also go fishing and crabbing. He went to racing school and drove the road course at

Watkins Glen, NY. He was an avid bow hunter and built his own flintlock rifles for hunting.

In addition to his wife of over 50 years, Louise Neilson, he is survived by his son, Michael Neilson of Middletown, DE; daughter Kristina Rogers of Morton, Pa; sisters, Susan Basener (Robert) of Tolchester, MD and Lynne Corle (Allen) of Newtown Square, PA; four grandchildren, Christopher, Jessica, Brandon, and Kaylee; and four nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Animal Care Shelter of Kent County at 10168 Worton Rd. Chestertown, MD 21620.

A celebration of his life will be held at a later date at the Tolchester Community Center, Md

Tribute Wall

GC

“ So sorry to hear of Pete's passing. So many wonderful memories of all the good times we had together boating in Perryville over several decades. Always a great person, Pete surely will be missed as our deepest condolences extend to the family.

Greg & Elaine Clement

Greg Clement - May 29, 2024 at 08:21 PM

TW

“ I was hired at NTPD in 1996 and worked with Sgt. Neilson at times. He was a kind man who knew his job well. He was a figure in the Township and respected by many. He had a real passion for the outdoors. Rest in peace Sergeant Neilson and thank you for your service to community and country.

Todd Welch - May 23, 2024 at 07:23 PM

DP

“ This is such a shock. My heart goes out to you after this sudden loss. You're in my thoughts and prayers.. Please accept my heartfelt condolences.

Denise Pohorilla - May 23, 2024 at 03:31 PM

SP

“ So sorry to hear of Petes passing. So many good memories from hanging out at Rods Auto Service to trips to Watkins Glen with the Mustangs!! Prayers to the family.

Seth Pancoast - May 23, 2024 at 10:38 AM