



Peter Schmidt

December 1, 2007

Peter John Schmidt of Stevensville, MD, passed away on Saturday, December 1, 2007 at the University Specialty Hospital in Baltimore, MD. He was 85 years old.

Born September 21, 1922 and raised in Barberton, OH the son of John and Elizabeth Stock Schmidt. He graduated from Barberton High School in the Class of June 1940. He served in the US Navy and was involved in the Pacific Theatre during World War II. Mr. Schmidt was stationed aboard the U.S.S. Tennessee (BB43) during the attack on Pearl Harbor. He was awarded the American Defense Medal with one battle star, the Asiatic Pacific Medal with eight battle stars, the Philippine Liberation medal with one star, the American Theatre Medal WWII medal, the Navy United Commendation Medal, and the Good Conduct Medal with four stars.

On August 2, 1947 he married Cecilia Elizabeth Curran of Barberton, OH. Mr. Schmidt continued his career in the Navy and retired as Chief Yeoman from the Naval Air Reserve Training Unit at Andrews Air Force Base near Washington, D.C. in 1962. Mr. Schmidt then joined Nationwide Insurance Company in Annapolis, MD where he worked as an underwriter and later in Loss Control. He retired from Nationwide Insurance Company on December 31, 1984.

Mr. Schmidt was a charter member of the Kent Island Elks Lodge #2576 of Stevensville, MD; Fleet Reserve Association, Branch 24, Annapolis, MD; Knights of Columbus - Father Joseph McManus Council #7941; St. Christopher's Catholic Church in Stevensville, MD; and Charter Member Father Lutz Assembly Fourth Degree of Chestertown, MD. He was also a volunteer for the Red Cross at the Naval Medical Clinic at the U.S. Naval Academy since 1990. Mr. Schmidt was a member of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association; the Maryland Chapter #1 of PHSA; and the U.S.S. Tennessee (BB 43) Reunion Association.

In addition to Mr. Schmidt's wife, he is survived by sons, Timothy J. Schmidt of Queenstown, MD and Peter John Schmidt II. of Stevensville, MD; daughter, Michelle Ann Slafkosky of Catonsville, MD; sister, Luana Marie Schmidt of Foley, AL; step-brother, John Stark of Van Nuys, CA; step-sisters, Nancy Houck and Donna Rice of Marshallville, OH; and six grandchildren. Predeceased by his infant son, Patrick Michael Schmidt, and grandson, Daniel Slafkosky,

Friends and family may call on Monday, December 3, 2007 from 2-4 & 6-8 at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A., 106 Shamrock Road, Chester, MD 21619.

A funeral service will be held on Tuesday, December 4, 2007 at 11am at St. Peter's Catholic Church, 5319 Ocean Gateway, Queenstown, MD 21658.

Interment will follow at St. Peter's Catholic Church Cemetery, Queenstown, MD.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to St. Judes Research Hospital, Memphis, TN, 38018, and to St. Christopher's Catholic Church Building Fund, PO Box 600, Chester, MD 21619.

Tribute Wall



“ *My brother and sister-in-law, Dwight and Linda Bowman, Ithaca, NY shared a letter from Mr. Schmidt, Pearl Harbor, addressed to my father, Lawrence Bowman at Central High School, Barberton, postmarked 12/4/1941. Linda asked me if Mr. Schmidt survived Pearl Harbor and I found his tribute wall here. My father was enlisted in the Army just months short of the age cut off and was sent overseas to the Pacific in 1942, 36 years old. He survived WWII also. We are surmising he taught Mr. Schmidt in high school and my father kept his letter with other WWII correspondence all these years. It was a short letter wishing my father Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Mr. Schmidt made it brief so it would go out on the next boat. We are very happy that Mr. Schmidt lived a full life and that he liked my father enough as a student to think of him to send a letter at Christmas. Our deepest condolences on your loss.*
Mrs. Tricia Hiss

Tricia Hiss - March 10 at 07:04 PM



“ *Peter Schmidt*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Peter Schmidt*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Peter Schmidt*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM