



William Peregrine "Pere" Roberts

June 12, 1934 - August 27, 2022

William Peregrine (Pere) Roberts of Chestertown, MD, passed away on August 27, 2022, at the age of 88.

Pere was born on June 6, 1934, in Baltimore, MD, to the Reverend William Christian and Ruth Roberts. His father was rector of Trinity Episcopal Church in Towson, MD. Pere attended the Boys' Latin School and the University of Maryland where he was on their National Champion lacrosse team in 1955.

He was a district manager for Champion Paper in Cincinnati, OH, before running his own office supply business for 19 years.

He and his wife, Phyllis, retired to Chestertown in 1999 where they restored a house in Chestertown's historic district. Pere and Phyllis loved playing tennis and bocce, traveling, and attending lacrosse games. He was a loyal supporter of all things Boys' Latin. He and Phyllis hosted many artists and musicians during Chestertown's cultural events and were stalwart participants in the National Music Festival's hospitality activities. He was a member of Chester River Yacht and Country Club and the Chestertown Lions Club.

He always had a kind word, loved people, loved the ladies, loved to hug even if he didn't know you. He adored Honey (Phyllis), his grandchildren, outlaws, in-laws, children, and life.

He is survived by Phyllis, his wife of 34 years; sister, Elizabeth Lundvall; daughter, Elizabeth Obrecht (Andrew); sons, Peregrine Roberts (Christine), Carroll Roberts (Kathy), and William Roberts (Amy); stepdaughter, Suzanne Donohoe (Daniel); stepsons, Garrison Ruhm (Laurel) and Christopher Ruhm (Dina); ten grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Services will be held on Wednesday, September 21, at 1:00 pm at Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Chestertown, MD.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Chestertown Lions Charities, Inc., P.O. Box 265, Chestertown, MD 21620 or to the Boys' Latin School of Maryland at www.boyslatinmd.com/giving.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP 21. 1:00 PM (ET)

Emmanuel Episcopal Church
101 N Cross St
Chestertown, MD 21620
(410) 778-3477

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of William Peregrine "Pere" Roberts*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - September 21, 2022 at 11:15 AM



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of William Peregrine "Pere" Roberts*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - September 19, 2022 at 01:06 PM



“ *William Peregrine "Pere" Roberts*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *William Peregrine "Pere" Roberts*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *William Peregrine "Pere" Roberts*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *One of the kindest Men I had the pleasure of knowing. He welcomed me into this amazing family with open arms ❤️*



Dina Dean - September 20, 2022 at 11:03 AM



One of the most huggable men I ever met. What a Prince as my mother would say. I always felt that Pere and my mother would have been fast friends. I miss seeing him greet me and my sister in front of his house every day.on High Street.

Margo Long - September 21, 2022 at 08:02 PM

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“ We will miss you deeply Grandfather.



Christine Huve - September 18, 2022 at 09:49 AM



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Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - September 13, 2022 at 10:20 AM



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Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - September 12, 2022 at 01:05 PM



“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of William Peregrine "Pere" Roberts.*



September 09, 2022 at 03:15 PM



“ *Dear Phyllis, our deepest condolences. Pere was one of a kind, with a huge heart, an enormous smile and a positive attitude that would pull anyone out of darkness. We will miss him.*
Mary Anne & Blyth

blyth reynolds - September 03, 2022 at 03:48 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of William Peregrine "Pere" Roberts.*



September 01, 2022 at 01:32 PM

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“ Dear Pere and family,
I want you to know that I was truly blessed when I played Lax with your son Carroll 'Roll" in Cincinnati and was introduced to you and Phyllis. Y'all opened your house to me like I was your son and all the fond memories will live for years to come. I will always love you as a stepfather and thank you for all the kind things you did for me and our team. I PROMISE, I will keep "Roll" inline for years to come, but you know that is not an easy task.

To your dear sweet wife Phyllis, I love you too and sorry for your loss, how you put up with all of us, I will never know. Pere was a blessed man to have you as his wife. My love and prayers goes out to the your entire family during this walk of grief. THE WORLD lost a great man, however HEAVEN AND OUR LORD called a wonderful man to an everlasting life to do His work in Heaven and on earth in the future. PERE, I am deeply sad your gone, but I will see you again one day in the future, save me a room as you always did before. Love and tears from the bottom of my heart. God please put your blanket of love around this entire family. Love forever, Quinn

C. Quinn Speck - September 01, 2022 at 01:07 PM

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“ A truly wonderful and caring gentleman with a smile and hug for everyone-he will be missed far and wide.
Patti Gaede

Patti Gaede - September 01, 2022 at 01:06 PM