



Roy H. Rogerson

January 16, 1929 - June 25, 2020

Roy H. Rogerson, age 91 of Tarentum, PA, formerly of Sherrard, WV died Thursday, June 25, 2020 at West Penn Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA.

He was born January 16, 1929 in Wheeling, WV son of the late J. Russell and Lily Fisher Rogerson.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by three brothers, Kenneth, Robert and Charles Rogerson and a sister, Edith Sampson.

He is survived by his wife of 69 years, LaVerne Yoho Rogerson; four daughters, Christine (Fred) Fecat of Glen Dale, WV, Marsha (Mark) Doak of Beverly, WV; LaVon Rogerson of Tarentum and Susan (Karl) Saltrick of Tarentum; one sister, Jean (Ron) Kasserman of Decatur, AL; seven grandchildren, Eric (Julie) Fecat of Moundsville, WV, Justin Doak of Houston, TX, Josh (Jennifer) Doak of Pittsburgh, PA, Travis Doak of Morgantown, WV, Chelsea McLaughlin of Weston, WV, Adam Moore (Lindsay Short) of Jane Lew, WV, and Brett Saltrick of Pittsburgh, PA; eleven great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Roy graduated from Linsly Institute and West Virginia University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Chemical Engineering. He was active in Limestone Presbyterian Church; leader of Fairview Achievers 4-H Club and Marshall County Extension Committee. He was a Developmental Project Supervisor at the PPG Natrium Plant in WV. He served in the WV House of Delegates (1967-1972) and then became a WV State Senator (1973-1976) where he was a Senate Minority Leader. In 1982, he and his wife relocated to

Pittsburgh, Pa where he continued his career with PPG.

Roy served his Marshall County community through his church and love of 4-H. He was kind and gentle in nature and will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

A private service will be held at Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory, 1 Ridgecrest Road, Bethlehem/Wheeling.

Entombment in Halcyon Hills Memorial Park, Sherrard.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Marshall County 4-H Leaders Association, 126 Barn Drive, Moundsville, WV 26041 or Alzheimer's Association – WV Chapter, P.O. Box 96011, Washington, DC 20090-6011.

Cemetery Details

Halcyons Hills Memorial Park

Tribute Wall

SA

“ *LaVon and Family, It has been so many years that I was at the house spending the night and talking with your father. I always remember him as a kind man with a soft voice compared to my father. My condolences on ur loss. You have been so lucky to have had ur father so many years. Blessings to ur Mom for it will be especially hard on her at this time . Love you and miss seeing you. God Bless you all in this time of need.*

Suzette Martin Anderson - June 30, 2020 at 12:12 AM

MK

“ I first met Mr. Rogerson at Julie's and Eric's wedding in Florida. We enjoyed visiting with Roy and Mrs. Rogerson, sharing some common interests, and generally getting acquainted with his family. It didn't take long for me to discover that this man was genuine, and behind the humble and polite personality, there existed a great deal of knowledge coupled with authentic wisdom. He was a pleasant man, and I thoroughly enjoyed our visit. I came to admire and respect Roy almost instantly. We did have another occasion a couple of years later when we spent Thanksgiving with the Rogersons and Fecats. I brought my elderly mother along, and we had a wonderful day and evening. I'm glad and thankful for our families' shared connection through my daughter Julie and Eric's marriage.

To Mrs. Rogerson, Chris and all the family, I send sincere condolences. It's hard to let go and say goodbye. It's only human to miss him, and to feel sadness for the separation. We grieve, but we also celebrate knowing that Roy is not grieving or suffering. Our Faith has taught us that God has a very special place for good folks like Roy. One way or another, I believe we will one day be reunited with our loved ones. I hope this will provide some measure of solace during this difficult time. I pray for God's blessings for your family.

Respectfully,

Mark and Christy Klug

Mark J Klug - June 29, 2020 at 02:51 PM

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“ *LaVerne and family. We are so sad to hear of Roy's passing. We were blessed to have you as our wonderful neighbors for 31 years. Words can't express how grateful we are for all you did for us during those years...we were so young. I can just picture Roy working out in your yard (with the beautiful flowers) and trading stories with Roger about farming. You watched Amber and Tyler grow up and they loved their talks with you both. Now we are the "older" couple in the neighborhood with new young families and we try to be the type of neighbors you were to us. Our love and prayers for all of you during this difficult time.*

Roger, Patty, Amber and Tyler Depew

The Depews - June 28, 2020 at 10:18 PM

MM

“ *LaVon and family. I remember such fun times together. Your dad was such a nice man. My parents liked them very much. It's difficult losing Them. You have my love and prayers. -*

Mary Sue Voltz Magers. 

Mary Sue Voltz Magers - June 28, 2020 at 07:53 PM

CS

“ *Our family will forever be grateful for the help provided by Mr. Rogerson when Dave was seeking employment at PPG. It changed our lives with having a secure well paying job at that time. A hundred thank yous would never be enough for the gratitude Dave and I felt. Please except my sincere condolences and sympathy.*

Cindy Santonas - June 28, 2020 at 04:11 PM

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“ *Laverne, The family of Glenda Miller send our deepest sympathy for the loss of your husband.*

Glenda Miller

Mary Miller Timko - June 28, 2020 at 12:32 PM

JB

“ 😞😭 This is sad news for me. Sorrowful. My heart is full of such fun memories of “Trigger”... that was my fond nickname for Roy. Most of our fellow PPG “up river” carpoolers in the 60s and 70s called him that, too — with much affection, of course. Roy and his wife lived out Rt. 250 on a hilltop near Moundsville. He transferred to the company’s General Office area in the late 70s or early 80s from PPG-Natrium. Sometime in the early 2000s - (guessing!), I was lucky enough to track down a Pittsburgh area home phone number for Roy. I called him! Just hearing his voice and laughter brought back so many carpool stories of our fun group! So, I’m quite grateful for that memory. This obituary includes such a good picture of him. Roy Rogerson’s friendship and entertaining demeanor have never left my “oldies” mind. What is perhaps noteworthy is that fellow, fun carpooler and great friend, Natrium laboratory analyst Judy Tredway ... she passed away earlier this year in January. Jude was the one who was instrumental in keeping the laughs rolling - - inside those early morning and late afternoon carpool rides along the Ohio River. Others in those Roy Rogerson carpool days were Ken McGuire and Bill Conaway (lab chemists) and Joe Clark, Maintenance office. I extend my heartfelt and deepest sympathies to Roy’s widow and the extended Rogerson family. To all of you, please know that Roy was well respected by all those at the plant who knew him as a dear friend, including so many co-workers within PPG’s chemicals facility. His knowledge and experience were a big asset and contribution to Natrium’s Research & Development departments. I will see you again one day, my friend . . . in God and Jesus’ glorious, Holy Heavenly Kingdom of Believers. REST IN PEACE. 🕊️❤️🙏

Judy Burke - June 27, 2020 at 04:53 PM

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“ I worked with Roy at PPG in Natrium. I was part of the Admin staff in the Development Department in late 50's and early 60's. To the family: He was one GENTLE GIANT. Soft spoken, enjoyed a laugh, and was considerate and respectful to all. A friend and I went to Morgantown to see a basketball game on a Saturday. While at the game, Mother Nature let loose with a snow storm. Roy, his wife and other friends also attended the game. I began to drive home. When Roy saw us, he drove us the rest of the way to Moundsville and someone else drove his car. Just one memory of a dear man. My condolences to the family.

Loduth Glover Foley (Alexandria VA)

Harriett Foley - June 27, 2020 at 09:38 AM