



Robert J Chamberlin

August 1, 1919 - March 31, 2016

Robert J. Chamberlin, 96 of Glen Ridge, NJ, passed away on Thursday, March 31 2016. Robert was the beloved husband of the late Elizabeth Brady Chamberlin who passed away in 1982. He was also predeceased by his mother and father, Wilbur and Elsie. Robert is survived by his two daughters Carol Chamberlin Morphy and her husband Samuel Alan Morphy, Anne Chamberlin Crawford, five grandchildren Megan, Brady, Samantha, Michael and Kelly, three great-grandchildren Stella, Samuel and Christopher. Robert was a long time member of Central Presbyterian Church in Montclair. He belonged to Glen Ridge, Cedar Grove and Montclair Historic Societies, Glen Ridge Seniors, Glen Ridge Golden Circle, Glen Ridge Women's Club, Dunworkin, Wranglers, Now or Never and Montclair Society of Engineers. He was an avid traveler, photographer; he loved trains, cars and Jazz. Robert will be greatly missed by all.

Memorial Service: Saturday, April 16, 2016, 11:00 AM at Central Presbyterian Church, 46 Park Street, Montclair, NJ 07042

Cemetery Details

Fairmount Cemetery

620 Central Ave
Newark, NJ 07107

Previous Events

Memorial Service

APR 16. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Central Presbyterian Church
46 Park Street
Montclair, NJ 07042

Tribute Wall

BW

“ Knew Bob for many years having met him through John and Edda Magnusson of Montclair. We shared a mutual interest in trains and photography and compared notes on occasion. Edith and I were saddened to learn of Bobs passing and send our condolences to Anne and Carol and their families.

Bob and Edith Warner - May 27, 2016 at 10:49 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert J Chamberlin.



April 14, 2016 at 09:12 AM

SK

“ Sincerely: Mary, Charlie and Susan Kahil purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Robert J Chamberlin.



Sincerely: Mary, Charlie and Susan Kahil - April 13, 2016 at 11:44 AM

NW

“ My wife and I were Bob's neighbors for twenty years. We met him the first week we were in our new home when he came across Argyle Street to welcome us to "his" neighborhood. It really was his neighborhood. He kept a watchful eye out for all of us and was always ready to stop and chat.

We have many fond memories of Bob, but the one that stands out is of him checking his pocket calendar for a day he was available to join us for an evening out. That day was usually two weeks out. He was a very busy guy. His calendar was always filled with community events, club meetings and seeing friends.

Our evenings out were usually going to Holsten's for his favorite sundae of chocolate mint chip ice cream with marshmallow topping or going to Pal's Cabin for a cheese burger and of course, his favorite sundae. He had a great appetite.

Bob was full of "vim and vigor" (google it). He had a rich life of experiences and friendships. He will be missed by many.

Netta and Hugh Whyte - April 07, 2016 at 06:53 AM

CK

“ I have nice memories of visiting Uncle Bob and Aunty Bee. I remember visits with my parents to their house on Sherman Avenue as well as their visits to our house/cottage on Copake Lake in New York. In the 60's I was a big Beatles fan. Bob gave me photo prints of the Beatles that I took off the TV from the Ed Sullivan show. They were prize possessions that I have to this day. Recently he gave me pictures taken at my wedding. I greatly appreciated his friendship and thoughtfulness. Bob was a fun person with a sense of humor. I will miss him-farewell my friend

Charles Kahil

Charles Kahil - April 05, 2016 at 12:11 PM

BL

“ I have many fond memories of Uncle Bob. He and Aunt Betsy provided a warm, wonderful summer refuge for our family. They showed great empathy for our mother, Peg, who suffered from MS. I'm certain dealing with four kids taxed Bob at times, but he was patient with our exploits and gracious in his rebukes. May he enjoy his last train ride home.
Bill (Brud) Lassen

Bill Lassen - April 05, 2016 at 08:53 AM

ST

“ We are truly sorry for the loss of your beloved Bob. Please accept our heartfelt condolences during this difficult time. He was our Father, Steve Bierds's, cousin. We grew up hearing many stories about him, visited with him several times and always had fun! We last saw him at the funeral of our Father's sister, Dottie, several years ago where he, of course, brought some of our family photo albums to share with us, which we enjoyed very much. Stephanie, Vicky, Marsha and Mike Bierds

Stephanie - April 04, 2016 at 01:23 PM

GA

“ I met Bob when I was five years old--he was "Mr. Chamberlain" to me, of course--in 1968, when my family moved next door on Sherman Avenue. He always had a smile for us kids even as he tolerated our cutting through his yard to get to Argyle faster or pilfered his crab apples for use as projectiles. While other adults had no use for our neighborhood antics, I sometimes got the feeling he secretly wanted to join in.

And when I got older and moved out of Glen Ridge, I'd always look for Bob, as I was allowed to call him now, when I visited my parents. And I would often see him, coming out of the house to say hello when my car pulled up the driveway. Always that same sly, almost giddy smile, as if we were sharing some delightful secret. He lived to 96, but I suspect that he never forgot our secret: that we're all just kids pretending to be adults.

Greg Addison

Greg Addison - April 02, 2016 at 12:19 PM

FP

“ Dear Family of Bob, I knew Bob from his shopping days at the A&P in Montclair, which is now an Acme. He was a gentleman and a positive figure when ever I spoke with Him. May He rest in peace now and forever. From Frank P. an employee of the Acme.



frank penotti - April 02, 2016 at 12:15 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Robert J Chamberlin.



April 02, 2016 at 10:31 AM



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Van Tassel Funeral Home - April 01, 2016 at 11:26 PM



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Van Tassel Funeral Home - April 01, 2016 at 05:19 PM



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Van Tassel Funeral Home - March 31, 2016 at 08:27 PM

SB

I feel like I have know "Mr. Chamberlin" forever and its probably only been 40 years. He always was there with a helping hand whether it was to go to the grocery store, a doctor's appointment or maybe Pal's for lunch. He loved his meals at the hospitality shop in Mountainside Hospital and then go to the 6th floor (the step-down floor) to share his pictures with the patients. A real gentleman in every sense of the word. You will be missed Mr. Chamberlin. Rest in peace. Sincerely, Steve Berry

Steve Berry - April 11, 2016 at 01:43 PM

PR

As a staff writer for The Star-Ledger, I use to run into Bob while covering stories in Glen Ridge; the Julia Roberts' 2002 film "Mona Lisa Smile" comes to mind. Such a great guy. I included his wedding day pic of Bob and Betsy dancing at the Meadowbrook in my 2014 book, "Memories from The Meadowbrook." He wrote me a personal thank you that I cherish and am looking at now. He, I'm sure, is dearly missed. Philip Read

Philip Read - November 18, 2020 at 06:40 PM