



## John Havey

January 17, 1926 - September 1, 2017

On Friday, September 1, 2017, the Lord called John Havey home after a hard-fought battle with COPD. From the airfields in the Pacific with the Army Air Corps, to the locks and dams of the Monongahela, Allegheny, and Ohio rivers with the Army Corps of Engineers, he stood strong whether on land in defense of his country or with hardhat diver's gear working to support his family.

Born on January 17, 1926 in Star City, West Virginia, he was the son of Paul and Anna (Vasil) Havey and was a member of Mt. Carmel Presbyterian Church in Aliquippa. He attended Aliquippa High School and worked as an apprentice machinist at the Aliquippa Works of J&L Steel before enlisting in the Army Air Corps in 1944. He served in the Pacific Theater during WWII and was honorably discharged in August, 1946.

His journey from the Philippines brought him to the rivers of western PA when he was hired by the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers. As Chief of Repair Station, he was in charge of repairing locks and dams on the three rivers. He received numerous awards for promoting efficiency and cost saving ideas during his tenure with the Corps of Engineers, and retired from there in 1982.

A man of many trades, he pursued an expansive array of educational courses at Penn State Beaver Campus and the Beaver County Vo-Tech School, which led to his part-time work repairing televisions and other appliances for Michael's Furniture in Aliquippa. He also owned and operated an Atlantic Service Station in Hopewell where, in the spirit of friendly competition, his brother-in-law operated a Gulf Station next door.

While not actively involved in sports himself, he encouraged his children and grandchildren to participate in athletics from an early age, and was always their biggest fan.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Anne C. Havey, his brother, George (Betty) Havey, his sister Anna (Jerry) Lenz, and his grandson, Mickey Adams. He is survived by his loving children; John A. (Barbara) Havey, Esq., Karen Petruny, Roger (Diane) Havey, and Marianne (Edward) Gallagher; his grandchildren Heather Havey and Jeff Spragg, Ashley Havey and Gus Mavromoustakos, Jason Gallagher, Meagan (Mark) Perry, Dana Havey, Lyndsay Petruny and Justin Bersuder, Elizabeth (Jarrell) Strickland, Andrea Havey, and great-grandchildren, Janae, Seth, and Kylie; brother-in-law Sonny (Harry James) Haboush, special friend Marilyn Tanner, several cousins, sisters-in-law, nieces and nephews.

Friends will be received Tuesday from 2-8 P.M. in the Mastrofrancesco Funeral Home, 2026 McMinn Street, Aliquippa, 15001. A service will be held on Wednesday at 10:00 A.M. in the funeral home followed by a service at 10:30 A.M. in Mt. Carmel Presbyterian Church with Pastor Mike Anastas officiating. Interment will follow at Mt. Olivet Cemetery. The Beaver County Special Unit will conduct military honors at the cemetery.

The family would like to thank his special angels, Melissa Mascaro and Amber Curtis, as well as Marilyn Tanner for all their kindness, compassion, and loving care.

# Cemetery Details

**Mt. Olivet Cemetery**

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 5. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Anthony Mastrofrancesco Funeral Home, Inc.  
2026 McMinn Street  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of John Havey.* ”



September 05, 2017 at 01:01 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John Havey.* ”



September 05, 2017 at 12:00 PM



“ *sincerely, Art Borrego and Cvent friends purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of John Havey.* ”



**sincerely, Art Borrego and Cvent friends** - September 05, 2017 at 11:28 AM



“ *Dave & Shirley Dunkis purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of John Havey.* ”



**Dave & Shirley Dunkis** - September 04, 2017 at 02:37 PM

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“ *Marianne, May peace be with your father and your family during this time of mourning. Hold on to all the happy memories I am sure he would wish for you!*

*Love, Michael and Terri Dotson*

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**Terri Dotson** - September 04, 2017 at 01:07 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of John Havey.*



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September 04, 2017 at 01:02 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of John Havey.*



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September 03, 2017 at 08:36 PM

LV

“ *Love to all Carolyn & Haboush family Las Vegas purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of John Havey.*



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**Love to all Carolyn & Haboush family Las Vegas** - September 03, 2017 at 03:30 PM

CC

“ John, So very sorry to read of the loss of your father. You have our deepest sympathy. Tim and Carole Carland

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**Carole Carland** - September 03, 2017 at 09:24 AM

MG

“ Uncle John, I will keep you in my prayers, I remember the last time you came to Vegas, we had fun, ate a lot, and you mad me smile... your my God Father and I will miss your text messages on FB too ...I hope your up there with the rest of them...God Bless



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**Mary Giraud** - September 01, 2017 at 09:58 PM