



## William Leonart Bowker

March 22, 1928 - November 18, 2018

William Leonart Bowker Sr., 90, of Sheshequin Township, PA passed away Sunday, November 18, 2018 at the Athens Health Care Center in Athens, PA. William was born in Newark, NJ on March 22, 1928, the only child of William Bowker and Katherine Leonart Bowker. He was a 1947 graduate of Morristown, NJ High School where he excelled in football and received football scholarships to attend Valley Forge Military Academy and Temple University. On April 19, 1950, William married Marian H. Hutton in Elkton, MD. William was a veteran of the Korean War having served in the U.S. Army and also served two years with the National Guard. William played semi-pro football for the Morristown Colonials, the East Doverfield Club, Franklin Miners and Boonton Panthers. He was employed by the U.S. Post Office in Morristown for several years and later relocated to Pennsylvania where he was employed by the Metropolitan Insurance Company in Allentown. He also worked as a real estate agent in Pennsylvania and operated a horse farm in Effort, PA where he raised Arabian and quarter horses. William drove school bus for Pleasant Valley High School in Brodheadsville, PA until his retirement at age 72. William and his wife Marian moved to Bradford County, PA in 2006 to make their home. William attended Christ Episcopal Church in Towanda and was a member of the American Legion, Rural Amity Lodge No. 70 F.& A.M. Athens, PA and Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite 32nd Degree Valley of Allentown, PA. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, raising horses and attending horse shows. William's family includes his wife of 68 years, Marian H. Bowker,

daughters, Virginia Prussor and husband Bob of Henderson, NV, Deborah Bowker of Carlisle, PA, Elizabeth Bentley and husband David of Oranogo, MO, grandson, Ryan (Erin) Miller of Frederick, MD, granddaughter, Lindsay Miller of Las Vegas, NV, brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Walter and Phyllis Hutton of Hendersonville, NC. In addition to his parents, William was predeceased by his son, William L. Bowker Jr. who lost his life in a scuba diving accident on July 15, 2000 and his sister-in-law, Virginia Conn. Rural Amity Lodge No. 70 F. & A.M. will conduct a Masonic funeral service Saturday, December 1, 2018 at 9:45 a.m. at Christ Episcopal Church, Towanda, PA. A Requiem Mass will follow at the church at 10:00 a.m. with Rev. Canon Maureen AtLee Hipple, Rector, as celebrant. Entombment will immediately follow the service in the Christ Church Columbarium. The family suggests that contributions may be directed to Christ Episcopal Church, 1 Main St. Towanda, PA 18848 in memory of William Leonart Bowker Sr. Arrangements are under the direction of the Maryott-Bowen Funeral Home 217 York Ave. Towanda, PA. Memories and condolences may be expressed by visiting [www.bowenfuneralhomes.com](http://www.bowenfuneralhomes.com).

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“ Dearest Marian, Liz, Ginny, and Debbie,

*I am so very sorry for your loss. Bill was the kindest man, and certainly loved you all, with all he had.*

*Please know...I am praying for your comfort, and rejoicing that he is finally without pain and resting peacefully in the arms of our Savior.*

*With love and deepest sympathy,*

*Valerie*

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