



## Benedict E. Pankowski

March 20, 1936 - November 16, 2020

Benedict E. Pankowski, Sr. of Manville passed away peacefully at home on November 16, 2020 surrounded by his loving family following a very courageous battle with Cancer. He was 84 years old. He and his wife, Barbara, recently celebrated their 63rd wedding anniversary. Benedict Sr. was preceded in death by his beloved son Benedict Jr., his mother Mary, his father Aloysius, his brother John and his sisters Mary Regiec and Rose Stelma. Benedict was born on March 20, 1936. He attended Sacred Heart School and Dunellen High School. Benedict joined the U.S. Navy in 1953 and was Honorably discharged after serving on the U.S.S. Van der Veer and U.S.S. McGowen in 1956. In 1957, Benedict married his high school sweetheart, Barbara Helgesen, the love of his life, and settled in Manville and raised their 5 children. Benedict was an active member of the Sea Scout Leaders and a past president of Manville Fire Company #2. He was the founder of PDQ Auto Supply of Manville Inc and worked tirelessly to support his family and build his business. He was a jack-of-all trades and took pride in his many projects. Benedict was an avid New York Giants Fan and a season ticket holder for many years. He also had a love for golf and attended many PGA events. Benedict and Barbara purchased a home in Toms River where they spent many summers and weekends with their children and grandchildren boating, crabbing, BBQ-ing and listening to country music. Benedict and Barbara enjoyed traveling and went on 33 cruises together. Benedict loved to help people and was liked by all. He was a parishioner of Christ the Redeemer

Parish. His family was most important in his life. Benedict is survived by his wife, Barbara, his daughters Kathryn Costello and Tracy Bauer (Dan), his sons Al (Alison) and Edward, his brother Joseph, his sister Barbara Pankowski, 8 grandchildren: Barbara (Glinka), Robert and Brad Costello, Jessica and Kelly Bauer, Edward Jr. and Natalia Pankowski and Nicole Torch as well as 13 great grandchildren: Anthony, Alex, Olivia, Makenna, Renee, Amore, Brady, Natalie, Sophia, Ralph, Rebecca, Ava and Audrey. He will be greatly missed by all of his family and friends. The family wishes to thank Atlantic Health Hospice for their excellent care, especially Georgianna for her gentleness. Visitation will be private for immediate family only. A celebration of Benedict's life will be scheduled at a later date. Arrangements are under the direction of the Ketusky Funeral Home.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Love you Pop Pop Pop!* 💔



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**Jessica Fazekas** - December 19, 2020 at 08:54 AM

SO

“ *Someone lit a candle in memory of Benedict E. Pankowski*



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**Someone** - December 08, 2020 at 08:06 AM

PW

“ *Dear Barbara & Pankowski Family,  
Judy and I were saddened to hear of Ben's passing.  
You have years of fond MEMORIES--cherish them  
God Bless you.*

*Pete & Judy Zeban*

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**Peter Zeban & Wife** - November 25, 2020 at 07:10 PM

AP

“ A Person lit a candle in memory of Benedict E. Pankowski



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**a person** - November 19, 2020 at 07:11 PM

EP

“ Choichi Barbara, Kathy, Tracy, Al, and Ed,

*Lori and I were sorry to here about Uncle Benny today. He was one great guy and has done so much for all of us in the Pankowski family. We are going to miss him greatly.*

*Love,  
Edziu*

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**EDWARD PANKOWSKI** - November 18, 2020 at 08:13 PM

KC

*Hi Edziu, Thank you for your thoughts. I only just saw this tonight. He was a wonderful father and we were very lucky to have him. I can say, Our Father Loved Us wholly and unconditionally. All the best to your family. Thank You, With Love, Kathy*

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**Kathryn Costello** - May 12, 2023 at 09:59 PM

DH

“ Dear Pankowski Family,

*We are so very sorry for your loss. May you find comfort through this very difficult time.*

*Our sincere sympathy!*

*Vince and Debbie Hudson*



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**Debbie Hudson** - November 18, 2020 at 09:24 AM

WB

“ *With Love, Grace and Barbara purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Benedict E. Pankowski.*



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**With Love, Grace and Barbara** - November 18, 2020 at 08:58 AM

WB

“ *Walter J. Buzin purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Benedict E. Pankowski.*



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**Walter J. Buzin** - November 18, 2020 at 07:50 AM

WB

“ Dear Barbara and Family, my sincerest condolences, he will be missed greatly. He was a great guy. Every time he saw me he had to stop and shake my hand. He's now in the Pro Tournament up Stairs playing in the Big Leagues. He hit the big times. He always was a winner.

Walter J. Buzin - November 18, 2020 at 07:40 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Benedict E. Pankowski.



November 17, 2020 at 08:21 PM

 Lynn  
Muckelston

“ Aunt Barbara and all my cousins I am so sorry for your loss. I remember him as being so happy. I still remember how he took Eli at Kevin's memorial and the smile on his face.

Lynn Muckelston - November 17, 2020 at 06:57 AM

JS

“ Barbara, I was saddened to hear the news of Benny's passing. I always look back fondly on the years we were neighbors in Manville. My sincerest condolences to you, Kathy, Tracy, Al and Edward. I'm sure you will take comfort in the support and love you receive from your very wonderful family. May Benny Rest In Peace.

Joan Sobon - November 16, 2020 at 11:00 PM

AM

“ Tracy and Pankowski family. My condolences to you and your family . May your father Rest In Peace. My prayers are with you.

*Ann Marie Solarek*

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**ann marie** - November 16, 2020 at 05:03 PM

PZ

“ Dear Pankowski Family, we are so sorry for your loss. Bennie was such a wonderful person and also asked about our family when we would see him. Our prayers and thoughts are with all of you. Stay strong. Michael, Patrick and Pattie Zamorski

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**PATRICIA A ZAMORSKI** - November 16, 2020 at 04:09 PM