



William Dietrich

March 3, 2014

Obituary of William Dietrich

William J. Dietrich Jr. passed away 3-2-2014 after his large heart finally gave way. Born in Philadelphia, Bill first made headlines following in his fathers' footsteps in throwing multiple no-hitters at Frankford High school. Upon signing a contract with the NY Yankees in 1953, Bill Sr. and Jr. had their pictures splashed in every sports page in the nation. As result of Bill following in his father's footsteps; Bill Jr. had a 16 year career in the big leagues throwing his own no-hitter for the White Sox in 1937. Bill played minor league baseball for the Yankees and Phillies organizations making stops in Reading PA, Winston Salem NC, Binghamton NY, Monroe LA, Tulsa OK, St. Joseph MO, Owensboro KY, Sandersville GA, and Managua, Nicaragua, in his attempt to make the big leagues.

With arm trouble plaguing Bill, he shifted gears and graduated first in his class at the Philadelphia Police Academy. Bill spent twelve years as a police officer for Middletown Township, PA. forging lifelong friendships with members of the force. The Sergeant moved on to work for the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms. Bill retired after a successful career in the Philadelphia, Washington, DC and Newark, NJ offices. A keen investigator, Bill embarked on a fifteen year stint as a fraud investigator for the Chubb Insurance Company, retiring a

second time in 1995. Upon his retirement to the Orlando, Fla. area he finished his career doing background checks for the federal government. Bill's fifty year career in law enforcement he was known for his integrity, intensity of investigations and sense of fair play. He instilled those same qualities in his home life. Bill married his high school sweetheart, Olivia McCabe in 1952 and raised six children in Bucks County, PA, and Long Valley, NJ. Bill fed his competitive appetite playing aggressive YMCA basketball and fast pitch softball for years in the Pendel, PA leagues. Bill met and married the love of his life, Marianne Dietrich in 1986. He shared his enormous heart and soul with Marianne and his two step children the remainder of his life. Bill cherished his retirement in Florida. He loved doting on his wife, going to the movies, watching Phillies, Yankees, Eagles, and Duke Basketball, touring Disney properties and sharing his sage advice which was freely given to all who asked. Bill was generous to all his children and step children both financially and emotionally. As Bills health declined these past few years his loving wife with help of Michael, Cindy and Michele met all his healthcare needs and lifelong need for help with things mechanical.

He is survived by his loving and caring wife, Marianne, step children, Michael/Cindy Murray of the Villages FL, Robert /Michele Steffens of Tinton Falls NJ, Bert Wilcox of Lady Lake FL, and children Dywn/Dave Arleth of Levittown PA, Donna Coverdale of Margate NJ, William J. Dietrich III/Danette of Ventnor NJ, Lori Dietrich of Atlantic City NJ, Kurt Dietrich of Fort Collins CO, brother-in-law Jody Ambrosino of Hochessin DE, sister-in-law Paula DiMele of Toms River NJ, sister-in-law Theresa Rannis and husband of Chino CA. Bill leaves behind ten grandchildren, one great grandson, nieces and nephews and loving friends from the Villages especially Paul and Marie Stella and Corina and Herb. Bill is predeceased by his parents, William J. and Doris Dietrich, Sr. sister Lynn Ambrosino, and son Andrew Todd Dietrich.

Funeral is scheduled for Friday, March 7, 2014 at 2:00p.m. at Beyers Funeral Home, Lady Lake, FL. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the American Heart Association.

Services

A memorial service will be held at the Lady Lake Chapel of Beyers Funeral Home on Friday, March 7, 2014 at 2:00 PM.

Tribute Wall

DS

“ *Rest in Peace ... You will be missed by many...*

Diana Supal - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

EW

“ *dwyn, dave and family. my heart and prayers are with your family in your time of need. anything I can do for you please let me know*

Ed Wilson - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ *Our condolence to the entire Dietrich family. I never met Bill but after having read his obituary I feel like i do know him in some small way. What a fascinating life he lived. Dwyn and Dave we love you.*

Jim and Patty Danaher - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RD

“ *My most heartfelt condolences to all on Bill's passing. I will always remember Bill Dietrich as a good and gentle soul. God bless.*

Russ and Emily Davis - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DA

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