



Burt Miner

September 1, 1921 - November 9, 2009

Burt Miner was ushered into his heavenly home, lovingly surrounded by his family, on November 9, 2009 at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak. He was born on September 1, 1921 in Detroit to Howard and Edna Roussin Miner. He graduated from Cooley High School and then entered the U.S. Air Force. He honorably served his country flying B-17's, as a 1st Lieutenant, on 30 missions, with the 8th Air Force 305th Bomb group. He spent a multi-faceted career as a salesman with Sharon Steel, an entrepreneur as a restaurant/bar owner, home improvement contractor, and was a pioneer in the computer industry of the late 60's designing programs for many companies over 30 years. He served this community through the Lions Club and served the Lord faithfully witnessing his life through the Cursillo & DeColores Ministries. He touched the lives of youth with Youth Insight Ministries, and incarcerated adults in a prison ministry branch of Cursillo. In his senior years, he held Sunday services in his apartment complex, always touching lives for Christ. He started a pilot's friendship group that grew to be affectionately called "The Flyboys" and were instrumental in growing the passion of those who began Honor Flight Michigan. Burt lived a life as a man of integrity and a man of his word. He was much younger than the candles on his birthday cake, and everyone he encountered would agree he was a vibrant man. He was the beloved husband of Flip Frantangelo, the late Ruby Patience and Marguerite James. Loving father of Rick Wilma, Patricia James Maslowsky, Jan Dan Hefferon, Joan Mark Webb, Scott Allison, Sally Dennis Schneider, Barbara

Errol Peschell Frantangelo and Brett Barbara Frantangelo. Proud grandfather of 15 grandchildren, Kevin, Sarah, Meghan, Paul, Adam, Alexander, Eric, Andrew, Emily, Elizabeth, Claire, Melissa, Cameron, Grace, Jamie; two step-grandchildren, Tyler and Sara; and three great-grandchildren, Samuel, Renee and 1-week old Aaron. Dear brother of the late Howard and Louis. He was loved by many and will be greatly missed. We love you! The family will receive friends Friday 10 a.m. until the time of the victory service 11 a.m. at Faith Lutheran Church, 37635 Dequindre Road, Troy. Memorials to Honor Flight Michigan, PO Box 237, Royal Oak, MI 48068-9998. Arrangements by Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, Royal Oak, 248-541-7000. Share your memories at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com.

Tribute Wall

SG

“ Dearest Trish, reading about your father and his passing, reminds me not only of his smile and my memories of him but I have also learned how passionate he has been for family, faith, friends and flying. No wonder he is so special to so many. May you and yours find strength in your fond memories and support in your love and faith. As you know, my thoughts are with you. Love Susan

Susan K Gilman - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GP

“ Dear Joan and family, We grieve with you and rejoice with you. You are in our prayers. I remember your Dad's testimony about how God protected him through the bombing runs during the war. From our point of view, it was against all odds. But to God it was merely a wonderful plan of His grace waiting to unfold. To Christ be the glory! May God bless you and keep you ... “I carried you on eagle's wings and brought you to Myself”. Exodus 19:4 Gary Parker and family

Gary Parker - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

EA

“ Pat, Joan and family you are in my thoughts and prayers. Many fond memories of Burt and Marge. DeColores Emma De Angelis

Emma De Angelis - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

FB

“ Scott and Family, My condolences at the loss of your dear father, however; we all know he would not trade his position now with one of us here. Though he is absent from us who loved him, he now is held by the One who loved him before the foundations of the world. Much Love, Fran

Fran Boris - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Dear Family I remember the first time that I met Burt and Marge. What a blessing they both were to me. The DeColores family and all of the youth that he minister and shared with will so miss him. My comfort is knowing that he is sitting at the feet of Jesus and sharing a good laugh! Oh - how exciting is that. Keeping you all in my prayers. Love to you all.

Joy Barber - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ Dear Family, We are so sorry at the loss of your Dad...we will miss him. He was certainly a man of God, who gave of himself freely to others. His continued love of his country was reflected in his strong efforts to honor other "Flyboys!!" We wish we could join you at his memorial, but it is not possible. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you. We will send a donation to the Honor Flight Michigan.

Jerry & Gail Authier - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MI

“ To Burt's Family, Burt was best man at my dad's wedding ten years ago & also a genuine friend to him. He was one of the most positive people I have ever met and will be truly missed.

Michelle - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CZ

“ Dear Family of Burt Miner, I am so grateful to have had the opportunity to meet my friend, Burt. We were introduced through Honor Flight Michigan, and the infamous "WWII FlyBoys". I have enjoyed many lunches, laughs, and stories with Burt and his "FlyBoys" Gang. Burt was always willing to get involved, and we are grateful he was a part of the Honor Flight Michigan Family. I will miss Burt's smile, his chuckle, and his friendship. You all have my sincerest sympathy and prayers. Take good care of each other.
Cathy Zimmerman Honor Flight Michigan 501c3 PO Box 237 Royal Oak, MI 48068

Cathy Zimmerman - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ Dear Cousins, I send love and hugs to you and yours, your Dad was a big part of all your lives and he will be missed, but you have the effect of his love and influence in your lives. I have fond memories of Uncle Burt and Aunt Marge and all you kids. We had special Christmases at your home and I will always remember what sweet laughter and fun we all had. I hope you will feel God's everpresent Love embrace and support you all during this time of sadness. With much love , Cindy

Cindy DeSha - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KD

“ Dear Scott and Family - Please accept our sincere condolences in the passing of your father. What a wonderful legacy he left with his lifetime service to the Lord! Our prayers are with you all.

Karen & Bob DiPalmo - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ It was truly a shock to hear of Burt's homegoing. We of the Detroit-area De Colores community will miss his remarkable authenticity, outspokenness, and devotion to his Lord and his faith. My heartfelt love and prayers remain with his dear family at this very difficult time of loss. May the family find comfort in the prospect of their upcoming reunion with Burt in the presence of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18.

Roland Preisler - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LL

“ Burt! We rejoice with your family knowing that you are with Jesus!! God bless you for the lives you touched, our young will surely miss you and all that you have done for them!

Lila Lipscomb - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Dear All, You all in my thoughts this time I wish didn't need to come. I will miss Uncle Burt very much remembering all the wonderful memories I have. Love to all of you, Jan

Jan Hankins - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ Scott - We are so saddened to hear about your dad. Please know we are thinking of you in this difficult time and may the peace which comes from the memories of loved shared comfort you now and in the days ahead. Our heartfelt condolences, Butch & Diana

Butch & Diana Fox - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

HM

“ *Our heartfelt condolences and prayers go out to all family members. Uncle Burt led an exemplary life reflecting his deeply held faith and love of God, family and country. Although Burt left the Military many years ago, he never stopped serving his country. Tim, Mary and Ben*

Howard G. Tim Miner - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM