



FRANK J. STREELMAN

November 19, 1936 - July 9, 2024

IN LIEU OF FLOWERS AND IN HONOR OF HIS LOVE FOR SCIENCE AND NATURE,

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PLEASE NOTE "FRANK STREELMAN" IN MEMO LINE OF CHECK

VISITATION:

FRIDAY: JULY 19, 2024

3PM TO 7PM

STICKLE-SOLTESZ FUNERAL HOME

FUNERAL SERVICE:

SATURDAY: JULY 20, 2024

1:30PM

MILTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

316 DOVER-MILTON ROAD

MILTON, NJ 07438

INTERMENT:

SATURDAY: JULY 20, 2024

FOLLOWING FUNERAL SERVICE

MILTON CEMETERY

MILTON, NJ 07438

After 87 years as a loving husband, loyal friend, devoted father, and beloved Grampy, Frank J. Streelman of Oak Ridge, NJ, passed away the evening of Tuesday, July 9, 2024.

Frank was born to parents Frank Streelman and Gertrude (Birkhoff) Streelman on November 19, 1936, in Patterson, NJ. After spending the early days of his childhood in Patterson, his family moved to his grandfather's farm in Milton (Oak Ridge), NJ, where Frank grew to be an avid outdoorsman. He graduated from Butler High School and soon after enlisted in the US Navy, serving on the USS DeLong from 1955 to 1957. Frank went on to start his career working at Esco Optics in Oak Ridge before moving to Union City where he became a Draftsman/Engineer for Blickman Casework and Design. On June 14, 1958, Frank married the love of his life, Eleanor Martin, and began their journey of what would be 59 incredible years by each other's sides. In 1963, Frank and Eleanor built a house in Oak Ridge where they lived ever since, filling it with two daughters, countless family gatherings, and many years of cherished memories.

Affectionately known as “FRANK!” by his loving wife, he sure knew how to bring a room to laughter with a killer smile and a twinkle in his eye. Frank loved spending time with his daughters and grandchildren, often taking “his girls” out to ball games, fishing in the local ponds with his family, and attending every sporting event, band concert, and school function that his grandkids were in. Throughout his life, he enjoyed many vacations with family and close friends, including cruises to the Caribbean, fishing trips to Canada, and camping at Lake George. In his later years, Frank also took numerous trips to see his grandchildren in Florida where he fished in the Seven Seas Lagoon at Disney, saw his grandson’s new rollercoaster, and got lost in an elevator on two separate occasions.

Frank was a longtime member of the Woodstock Gun Club, earning himself the nickname “Mom” from the group because, as he said, “someone had to take care of them.” He served as the club’s treasurer and historian, often enlisting the help of his family to print the many pictures of deer and chestnut trees taken by club members. When not in the mountains or on a lake, Frank enjoyed playing softball as a young man, making breakfast for his family on Sunday mornings, sitting on the board of Country Day School, “forgetting” his hearing aids and mishearing everything his family said, making frequent visits to Dunkin’ Donuts, and fixing just about anything that was broken. He was also a long-time member of the Milton United Methodist Church and the Golden Age Club of Milton. Frank had a deep love for all things science, especially pertaining to nature and space, and was always open to learning new things and exploring the great beyond. He could often be found in his backyard with a telescope, feeding the chipmunks on his deck, and watching nature shows on “The YouTube.” This deep curiosity and love for life is what fueled his open-minded nature, welcoming everyone’s viewpoints even when they didn’t match his own and accepting people of all different walks of life.

Frank is predeceased by his loving wife, Eleanor Streelman and siblings Margaret Streelman, Warren Streelman and Betty Ann and her husband Gary Russinko; and leaves behind his loving children Lisa Swerzenski and her husband Thomas of Oak Ridge, NJ and Amy Breder and her husband Howard of Oak Ridge, NJ; his cherished grandchildren David, Kristen, and Daniel Swerzenski and Howie and Elizabeth Breder; his brother-in-law Arthur Martin and his wife Christine; his sister-in-law Jean Altmann and her husband Paul, his dear nieces and nephews Paula, Jody and her husband Doug, Laurie and her husband Jeremy, Gary and his wife Leah, Steven and Jennifer and her husband Billy; his grand-dogs, Raya and River; as well as many other beloved family members and friends.

The family welcomes visitors for a celebration of Franks's life at the Stickle-Soltesz Funeral Home. A visitation will be held from 3-7 p.m. on Friday, July 19th, and a funeral service on Saturday, July 20th at 1:30 PM at the Milton United Methodist Church.

On line condolences and directions: www.sticklesolteszfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 19. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Stickle-Soltesz Funeral Home
187 La Rue Road
(Parallel to Route 23 North between Clinton Road and Union Valley Road)
Newfoundland, NJ 07435
(973) 697-6700
info@sticklesolteszfuneralhome.com
<https://www.sticklesolteszfuneralhome.com>

Prayer Service

JUL 20. 1:30 PM - 2:15 PM (ET)

Milton United Methodist Church
316 Dover-Milton Road
Oak Ridge, NJ 07438
(973) 697-3194

Interment

JUL 20. 2:30 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Milton Cemetery
Milton Road
Milton, NJ 07438

Tribute Wall

KR

“ *Kristen lit a candle in memory of FRANK STREELMAN*



Kristen - November 19, 2025 at 10:25 PM

KR

“ *Thinking about you a lot lately, Grampy. Miss you.*



Kristen - July 14, 2025 at 01:51 PM

ST

“ *Susan T. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of FRANK J. STREELMAN.*

Susan T. - July 19, 2024 at 11:54 AM

LF

“ *Love, Olga Lanum & Family purchased the America the Beautiful for the family of FRANK J. STREELMAN.*



Love, Olga Lanum & Family - July 17, 2024 at 11:42 AM

FW

“ From Jason, Kim, Jayda and Adam Wechsler planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of FRANK J. STREELMAN.

From Jason, Kim, Jayda and Adam Wechsler - July 16, 2024 at 06:34 PM

FW

“ From Jason, Kim, Jayda and Adam Wechsler purchased the Fairest of All for the family of FRANK J. STREELMAN.



From Jason, Kim, Jayda and Adam Wechsler - July 16, 2024 at 06:34 PM



“ Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of FRANK J. STREELMAN.



July 16, 2024 at 04:19 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of FRANK J. STREELMAN.



July 16, 2024 at 04:13 PM

JC

“ Jean&Paul, Jody&Doug, Paula & children purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of FRANK J. STREELMAN.



Jean&Paul, Jody&Doug, Paula & children - July 16, 2024 at 09:53 AM

SF

“ Steve and Jenny and family purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of FRANK J. STREELMAN.



Steve and Jenny and family - July 14, 2024 at 04:41 PM

MT

“ So sorry to hear of dear Frank's passing. It was always good to see him on Chamberlain Brook Road during a work weekend or hunting season and sometimes when he just took a ride up!

He'd call to ask, "How's the weather up there?" if there had been a particularly bad storm. Or he'd share some information about the comings and goings of the club or ask for a recommendation for a tradesman when work needed to be done at Woodstock.

We hope that when his family and friends hear a little bird sing or watch the sun rise up from behind a mountain or taste a special food that they will think: Frank would have liked that.

Sincere condolences.

♥️ *Monica and Joe Tarantino, Chamberlain Brook Road Neighbors*
♥️

Monica & Joe Tarantino - July 13, 2024 at 03:20 PM



“ *Veteran Memorial Wooden Flag - Navy was purchased for the family of FRANK J. STREELMAN.*



July 12, 2024 at 12:21 PM



“ *From your Woodstock Brothers purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of FRANK J. STREELMAN.*



From your Woodstock Brothers - July 12, 2024 at 12:11 PM



“ *You will be in the hearts of all the Wilpert family forever. We love you Frank and we are blessed we had so many years together to celebrate all our wonderful times together be it hunting in the woods or relaxing on the deck .So many great memories of Friday night coffee at your house, enjoying Ellies fresh baked goodies. My children grew up with you as a second uncle and a great role model. We are blessed to have had you as a friend. I will miss Monday night meatloaf at my house and I am forever grateful for the friendship you had with my Frank,always visiting and keeping in touch everyday thru his health struggles. I take peace in knowing you are together again.Gerri Wilpert and family*

Gerri A Wilpert - July 12, 2024 at 12:00 PM

DH

“ You were such a good family friend for so long, that I can't even remember a time of life without you. You were my dad's hunting, fishing, traveling, and camping buddy, and in so many ways a true brother to him. After sharing so much of life together as brothers, it is so fitting you would both pass on from this life within a few short months of each other. They say those who touch our lives remain in our hearts forever. I will surely always remember you with love and fondness.

Debbie (Nehrings) Houlihan - July 12, 2024 at 08:01 AM

PS

“ Frank. Thank you for being such a good friend over the years. We always enjoyed our visits, phone calls and meals together. You were special and we will miss you. Pete & Davi-Ann



Peter Swerzenski - July 11, 2024 at 10:42 AM



“ Our long-time family friend you leave us with so many wonderful memories which started over 50 years ago, so many vacations and good times with you and Eleanor rest in peace you will be missed our dear friend. you will be missed. Ruth

Ruth Nehrings - July 10, 2024 at 03:48 PM