



Robert K. Young

March 15, 1931 - January 25, 2024

Robert K. Young, 92, passed away January 25, 2024. He is survived by his wife of 72 years, Carolyn E. (nee Stephen) Young, children, Donald S. Young, Esq., wife Debra; David R. Young; William J. Young, all of Macungie, PA; Paul R. Young, wife, Kelly, of Virginia Beach, VA; and Nancy E. Kline, husband, James, of Edgewater, MD. He was Granddad to 11 grandchildren and Great Granddad to 11 great grandchildren. He is also survived by a sister, May Swagert, of California.

Bob was a graduate of Westtown Friends School, Haverford College and University of Pennsylvania Law School. He began his practice of law in 1956 and was joined by his son, Donald in 1977. He was a president of the Lehigh County Bar Association in 1981, solicitor at varying times for the Borough of Macungie, Upper Milford Township, Lehigh County Vo-Tech School and Lehigh County Community College. He was nominated by Governor Thornberg to fill a vacancy on the Lehigh County Bench in 1984 and was then elected to a full 10 year term in 1985 where although he served in all divisions, particularly enjoyed being the Administrative Judge of the Orphans Court though his term. He retired in 1995.

Throughout his career he served on many community committees, including Chair of Lehigh County Guardianship Support Agency, Chair of East Penn Industrial Development Committee, East Penn School Board, the Boy Scouts

as a Scout Master; member of the Minsi Trail Council and recipient of the "Silver Beaver Award".

Bob enjoyed working with and supporting the good people of Macungie where he was actively involved with the Macungie Memorial Park Association serving as volunteer Board Member and President, Macungie Institute Association as a Founding Board Member, creator of the Macungie Flower Park, Das Awkscht Fescht Chairman, and the Kalmbach Memorial Park serving as Trustee.

In his free time he was a private pilot for 30 years, enjoyed making Punkin Chunkin machines, converting a gas powered pick-up to battery power, organizing many canoe trips with friends and family, and continually acting as the family entertainment chairman.

Interment will be private.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to the Macungie Memorial Park, P. O. Box 193, Macungie, PA 18062.

Tribute Wall



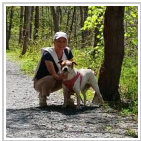
“ *Dave and Bill,
Sincere condolences to you and your families. I still remember some of the family stories you used to impart while we were searching titles at the courthouse. I'm sure you will miss him greatly but always remember that he will never really leave you. A person's life is like a continuous thread that weaves itself through your memory and remains a part of every life it has touched. Prayers and sympathy, Kate and Steve Yost*

Kate Yost - January 31, 2024 at 03:52 PM

BO

“ *Don , Deb and family,
You are all in my thoughts and prayers*

Barbara Oleary - January 30, 2024 at 12:13 PM



“ *My deepest condolences to you Carolyn, and your entire family. I feel lucky to have laughed, talked and worked with him, and to have called him a friend. A truly remarkable, generous, fun humanitarian. RIP Bob. Thank you for your friendship. Sincerely, Melisa Millenbruch*

Melisa Linn - January 30, 2024 at 11:09 AM

K(

“ *Donald and family, please accept my most profound condolences on this saddest of days. His legacy, caring and love lives on in your family to this day and his empathy towards those in need will never end. Karen Lee Widmer (Kardos)*

Karen Lee Widmer (Kardos) - January 30, 2024 at 05:57 AM

TW

“ My sincere condolences to Judge Young’s family. I met Bob over sixty years ago when my father performed title searches for then-attorney Young and I admired him for his professionalism and wonderful personality. Years later, when he was appointed and elected judge, he was instrumental in my succeeding him as solicitor to the Borough of Macungie. Then, when I was appointed judge, I was pleased to be able to work closely with Judge Young on our court. He was a wonderful colleague and our friendship grew. Continuing breakfasts and, after Covid, telephone calls were always enjoyed. I will always cherish our relationship. Judge Tom Wallitsch

Thomas A Wallitsch - January 29, 2024 at 06:10 PM

JB

“ I met Bob at the lectures at Cedar Crest College. I introduced me to Bob. The last time saw him when i was a Little kid at Brookside CC, in the late 40,s. I,'m know 84. Bob and his Buddies drove in a Antique Car , dressed as Clowns. , on Labor weekend. They googed on the HighBoard And The Low Board. . When i mentioned , i was a long time member of Brookside and i was about to write Brookside,s 90th History, Bob said he had material to give me. I wrote the book and gave Bob a copy. Bob was a caddy at Brookside for one year in 1940. Bob contributed for my Lime Kilm project. by tht the #6 green. I took Bob and Carolyn last summer to see it. I ,m going to Bob. He was a great guy. John Baker

John Baker - January 29, 2024 at 10:00 AM

TK

“ My condolences to the Young family. It was a pleasure knowing Bob. I can remember having fun with him during Punkin Chunkin. He truly was a fun, caring and generous man. Heaven has gained a special angel.

Terri Kane - January 28, 2024 at 07:20 PM

SW

“ Deepest sympathy from the Ira Reid Foundation Board at the peaceful passing of Robert K Young, a deeply committed humanitarian who was one of our most committed, creative, prolific researchers and generous contributors.

Stephen Washburn - January 28, 2024 at 04:39 PM

SW

“ Please accept our condolences. We appreciated Judge Young's interest in local history. He will be missed.
- Sarajane Williams and the board of directors of the Lower Macungie Township Historical Society

Sarajane Williams - January 28, 2024 at 11:59 AM

DC

“ Dear Don, Debbie and family, please accept our heartfelt condolences on the death of your father, Robert. We can only imagine how difficult this must be for everyone. Our prayers are offered for you and especially for your father at this time of need. May Robert rest peacefully in Our Dear Lord's arms. God bless you.

Debbie and Gary Cordes - January 28, 2024 at 11:25 AM

SM

“ Please accept our condolences for the Young family. Our thoughts and prayers are with Judge Young.



Scott & Linda Mitchell - January 28, 2024 at 10:39 AM

CA

“ My deepest sympathy to Bob's family. He was devoted to his family and served his community honorably. It was a pleasure to have known him,

Connie Archer - January 28, 2024 at 08:49 AM

DG

“ Dear Carolyn and family, I had the utmost respect for Judge Young and was honored to be his friend. He was a great man, judge and friend who loved his family above all and served his community well. I had the privilege of getting to know him when I covered the courts for *The Morning Call*. He had a big heart and iron-clad convictions. He became a friend with whom we canoed and shared lunches and breakfasts. He was greater than the black robe he wore, but the position never went to his head. I remember when I interviewed him for a story on his retirement, he said, “We all put our pants on one leg at a time.” He was grounded in his faith, his community and love of family. His interests were so varied, and he was an inspiration, never ceasing in his desire to better his community in so many ways. The book he wrote several years ago about some of the major cases over which he presided only tells part of the story of this great man. His was not a life lived in vain. Thank you, Judge Young for all you did for others. And for me and my husband. We are honored to call you a friend. Our sincere condolences to Carolyn and his family.

Debbie Garlicki - January 26, 2024 at 11:34 PM