



William A. Sontag, Sr

JAN 25, 2013



Scan to Visit

Green
Funeral Care 

Table of Contents

Obituary	Page 3
-----------------------	--------



William A. Sontag, Sr

JAN 25, 2013

MANTUA William A. Sontag, Sr., 89 years of age, became Our Gift to God on Friday January 25, 2013 at Heather Hill in Chardon, Ohio. Mr. Sontag was God's Gift to Us on July 1, 1923 in Bedford, Ohio, the son of the late Anthony and Elvera (Vincent) Sontag. A resident of the Mantua area since 1943, Bill was the owner-operator of Sontag's Service in Mantua from 1954 until his retirement in 1991. Over the years of operation, Bill and his wife Rose who was the bookkeeper for their business, employed many high school students, teaching them the values of honest, hard work with a pride for so many details including washing cars and providing customer service. Bill remained open for business 7 days of the week for the community, and will also be remembered for the nights that he would return to the station to refuel the Mantua-Shalersville Fire Department trucks no matter what time it was needed. As a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Bill and Rose devoted endless hours to any church project, and looked forward to the Ox Roast each year where again they assisted at any task called upon. Bill was a member of Mantua Knights of Columbus No. 3766 of his church. During World War II, he proudly served his country in the United States Army as a Private First Class. A man of numerous talents, he loved snowmobiling and was one of a group of local residents to first participate in this activity. Bill built a full size 1940 wooden Allis Chambers tractor, a project that took over 4 years to complete, and included a method by which he could make the actual sounds of the tractor for people who would come to see it. This tractor was shown around the country and earned many awards over the years. Following retirement, he and Rose were able to share special times traveling together and relaxing which they both truly deserved. Bill will always be remembered as a father who provided for his family, cared for his parents and was devoted to his wife Rose. On November 25, 1954, he married Rose M. (Gennaro) Sontag who preceded him in death on February 19, 2006. He was also preceded by



Obituary

William A. Sontag, Sr

his sisters Marie Plesmid, Cecilia Jackson, Marguerite Marrapese and Carmen Bartelheim. Bill is survived by his loving children William A. (Donna) Sontag, Jr. of West Chester, Pennsylvania, Suzanne (Robert) Gaglione of Chagrin Falls, Linda (Paul) Roberto of Sagamore Hills and Patricia Sontag of Ravenna, and 8 grandchildren. Calling hours will be Monday from 3:00 P.M.-8:00 P.M. at the Green Family Funeral Home & Crematory Service in Mantua, where prayers will be said Tuesday at 9:15 A.M. Mass of Christian Burial will be Tuesday January 29, 2013 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church at 10:00 A.M. with Rev. Michael Garvey officiating. Final resting place will follow at Westlawn Cemetery in Mantua Township, Ohio with Paul Roberto, Anthony Roberto, Nicholas Roberto, Michael Roberto, W. Alexander Sontag, Maxwell Sontag, Zachary Sontag and Robert Gaglione respectively serving as pallbearers. Full military honors will then be accorded by the United States Army Honor Guard Team, assisted by members of Mantua American Legion Post No. 193. In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested in his name to St. Joseph Catholic Church. His obituary, personal video tribute and funeral mass may be viewed at www.greenfamilyfuneralhome.com.
\$(document).ready(function(){ flowplayer("vidplyr1", "/tools/flowplayer/flowplayer-3.1.2.swf", { clip: { autoPlay: false, onStart: function(clip) { stopBGMusic(); } } }); });



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring William by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



Scan to Visit

