

William R. Harris
February 12, 1939 – April 16 2020



William R. Harris, 81, of Export, died peacefully, Thursday, April 16, 2020 at his home. He was born February 12, 1939 in Portland, ME, son of the late William Harris and Elizabeth Devlin Lockwood.

Bill was a graduate of Dartmouth College in New Hampshire and received his Doctorate in Physics from the University of Maryland.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Constance “Connie” Hurley Harris; a daughter, Megan Jefferson of Friendship, MD; two grandchildren, Idris Jefferson and Ashley Wilson; a great-grandson, Ra’Jaron, and a cousin, Marcia Maguire.

While working at Westinghouse in Monroeville, PA for many years, he also owned property in Eighty-Four, PA where he enjoyed a bit of farming. In 1990, he was transferred to ASEA Brown Boveri in CT and lived in Southwick, MA.

Upon retiring, he and Connie bought property in Hawley, MA and renovated an 1840’s farmhouse that was situated on 240 acres of protected land. Bill’s diagnosis of Alzheimer’s in 2010 brought them back to the Pittsburgh area in 2013.

Bill loved the outdoors and was an avid snow skier and hiker. He was a lover of animals, most recently his black lab Luke.

A memorial service will be held at a later time at their home.

If desired, memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer’s Association, 2835 E. Carson Street, Suite 200, Pittsburgh, PA, 15203.

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