



Harry A. Boltz

May 13, 1949 - April 2, 2026

Harry Alex Boltz, 76, of Petrolia, Pennsylvania, passed away peacefully on April 2, 2026. Born on May 13, 1949, on the Boltz family farm near the old Pump Station in Frogtown, Sugarcreek Township, he was the son of the late Harry Meade Boltz and Margaret P. (McNutt) Boltz.

Though born prematurely and weighing less than three pounds at birth, Harry grew into a man of remarkable strength—standing 6'4" tall—and even greater heart. A 1967 graduate of East Brady High School, he attended the University of Cincinnati and Butler County Community College before choosing to serve his country. From August 1969 to February 1972, Harry proudly served in the U.S. Army, spending a year in Vietnam with the Signal Corps, where he achieved the rank of E5.

Harry began his career at the Petrolia plant in 1974, working for Koppers Company, later INDSPEC, and finally Occidental Petroleum, before retiring in 2011. A proud, vocal, and deeply dedicated member of the United Steelworkers Union Local 13300, Harry devoted nearly three decades to improving the lives of his fellow workers. He served as Guard, Vice President, and ultimately as President of the Local for 17 years, guiding the union through twelve successful contract negotiations without a single work stoppage. His proudest achievement was securing health insurance coverage for retirees and their spouses - an accomplishment that continues to benefit many to this day.

Beyond his local work, Harry shared his deep knowledge and passion through

the USW Leadership Development and SOAR programs, later teaching in the union's four-year Leadership Scholarship Program, helping nurture a new generation of labor leaders.

Dedicated to his community, Harry was a member and Past Master of Argyle Lodge No. 540 F. & A.M. of Chicora, and a lifetime member of both the Parker VFW and the American Legion of Brady's Bend. With his wife, Cinda, he owned and operated the former UniMart in Petrolia for 16 years while still working full-time at the plant. He also lent his time and heart to the Petrolia Borough Council and served as Mayor, always striving to better his community through fairness, hard work, and compassion. Harry was also a benefactor through the years of the Petrolia Borough Park.

Harry is survived by his beloved wife Cinda Six, who he met in 1979 and married in 1998; his children, Jana (Rob) Esplen of Butler, and Seth (Stefanie) Boltz of Irwin; his stepdaughters, Tracy Claypoole of Petrolia and Gidget (Jason) McGhee of New Castle; grandchildren Porschia, Dalton, Victoria, Alec Jared and Harrison; great-grandsons Onyx and Beckett; his sisters, Elizabeth Carlson, Karen (Jim) Buzzard, Bobbi (Scott) Andreassi and his adoring nieces, nephews, cousins and their families. He is also survived by his faithful canine companions Birdie and Bogey.

Along with his parents, Harry was preceded in death by an infant sister, Nancy Lea, and brothers-in-law, Michael Steele and Bruce Carlson. He was also predeceased by his favorite dog, Divot.

Harry will be remembered as a man of integrity, generosity, and honor - a devoted husband, father, friend, veteran, and community leader. His warmth, wit, and unwavering sense of fairness touched everyone who had the privilege of knowing him. His legacy of service, laughter, and love will live on in the hearts of those he leaves behind.

Family and friends will be received at Buzard Funeral Home in Parker, 201 Wayne Ave., on Monday, April 6th, from 3:00 – 7:00 PM with a Masonic service at 7:00 PM. Funeral Service and Military Honors for Harry will be held Tuesday, April 7, at 3:00 PM at the Chicora Alliance Church, 310 E Slippery

Rock St. Interment will be at Bear Creek Cemetery at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to any Military organization in Harry's memory.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 6. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

H. Jack Buzard Funeral Homes, Inc. Parker
201 S. Wayne Street
PO Box 21
Parker, PA 16049
(724) 791-2484

Masonic Service

APR 6. 7:00 PM (ET)

H. Jack Buzard Funeral Homes, Inc. Parker
201 S. Wayne Street
PO Box 21
Parker, PA 16049
(724) 791-2484

Funeral Service

APR 7. 3:00 PM (ET)

Chicora Alliance Church
310 E Slippery Rock St
Chicora, PA 16025

Military Honors

APR 7. 3:00 PM (ET)

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310 E Slippery Rock St
Chicora, PA 16025

Tribute Wall

CP

“ Our deepest sympathy to Cinda and family. We are so sorry to hear of your loss. A good friend for many years. enjoyed working with Cinda and Harry at Indspect. OUR THOUGHT AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU.

Clarence and Betty Pennington.

clarence pennington - April 10 at 01:22 PM

BB

“ Our deepest sympathy to Cinda, Harry's children and family on his passing . He was a wonderful man who gave of himself to so many . May he be richly rewarded in heaven . Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this most difficult time .

Bernie and Debby Berteotti - April 07 at 12:26 PM

DB

“ David And Linda Bard lit a candle in memory of Harry A. Boltz



David and Linda Bard - April 06 at 05:04 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Harry A. Boltz.



April 04 at 02:02 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Harry A. Boltz.*



April 04 at 12:42 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Harry A. Boltz.

April 04 at 12:42 PM



“ *Karl and Carla purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Harry A. Boltz.*



Karl and Carla - April 04 at 11:45 AM



“ *In the Fall of 1967 Harry, Larry Campbell and myself left to attend the University of Cincinnati. Harry was a close friend for many years in high school. He had a “ warm heart” and welcoming smile. Harry was always someone that cared about other people.*

Sorry to hear of his passing. He will be truly missed.

Larry Zimmel

Larry Zimmel - April 04 at 10:09 AM

WB

“ *My deepest sympathies to his entire family.
He was a good man.* ”



Wendy Bortmes - April 04 at 10:03 AM

KB

“ *Karen B. purchased the Sentiments of Serenity S
pray for the family of Harry A. Boltz.* ”



Karen B. - April 04 at 09:41 AM

CL

“ *I have had the pleasure of knowing Harry for many years. He
always had a hug and a smile waiting for you. He loved his family
and his community. He was one of a kind and he will be missed. My
deepest sympathies to Cinda and his family.* ”

Carla Lowrie - April 04 at 05:33 AM

LC

“ *My deepest heartfelt sympathy to Harry's
family and especially to his sisters.* 🙏🙏🙏🙏
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Linda Harmon Costanzo - April 03 at 09:34 PM



“ I’m so sorry for you loss Prayers for all the Family 🙏



Ella Hillwig - April 03 at 07:45 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Harry A. Boltz.



April 03 at 06:48 PM