



William Joseph Heilman, PhD

August 31, 1930 - September 6, 2018

William Joseph Heilman, PhD, 88, of Houston passed away Thursday, September 6, 2018. Dr. Heilman was born August 31, 1930 in Pittsburgh, PA to William Joseph Heilman, Sr. and Marcella Hauck Heilman. Bill is survived by his wife of 61 years, Charlotte Andrews Heilman; children, Terry Heilman, Christine Heilman, Eric Heilman & wife Janet; granddaughters, Reagan, Paige and Grayson Heilman; sister-in-law, Gerry Stein & husband Wayne; brother-in-law, Paul Andrews & wife Dolly as well as numerous nieces, nephews and extended family.

Bill grew up in the Pittsburgh area attending Millvale High School. After high school Bill attended the University of Pittsburgh where he earned his BS in Chemistry, and Syracuse University earning his Master of Science in Chemistry. Dr. Heilman graduated from Texas Tech University in 1962 with the distinguished honor of Doctor of Philosophy in Organic Chemistry. Bill went on to a long prestigious career as a Polymer Chemist in the oil and gas industry working for Gulf Oil, Pennzoil, Chevron and Shell. Bill held over 300 patents and was the recipient of multiple Achievement Awards from the American Chemical Society. He met and married the love of his life, Charlotte in 1957. Bill's career ultimately relocated the family to Houston where they raised their family and remained until today.

Bill was a kind, patient, soft spoken man who loved his family and truly enjoyed being with them. He was a longtime member of St. John Vianney

Catholic Church. He was loved by those who knew him and will be greatly missed.

The Heilman family will be present to receive friends Thursday, September 13, 2018 from 6:00 until 8:00 PM with the Holy Rosary being recited at 7 PM at Dettling Funeral Home, 14094 Memorial Dr., Houston, TX 77079. The Funeral Mass will commence Friday, September 14, 2018 at 10:30 AM at St. John Vianney Catholic Church, 625 Nottingham Oaks Trail, Houston, TX 77079. A reception will follow Holy Mass on the church campus. In lieu of flowers please consider contributions in Bill's memory to the Alzheimer's Foundation at www.alz.org .

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 13. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Dettling Funeral Home
14094 Memorial Drive
Houston, TX 77079
(281) 497-2121
david@dettlingfuneral.com

Rosary

SEP 13. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Mass

SEP 14. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. John Vianney Catholic Church
625 Nottingham Oaks Trail
Houston, TX 77079
(281) 497-1500

Reception

SEP 14. 11:30 AM (CT)

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Houston, TX 77079
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Tribute Wall



“ *William Joseph Heilman, PhD*

October 08, 2023 at 10:52 AM



“ *William Joseph Heilman, PhD*

October 06, 2023 at 01:12 AM



“ *William Joseph Heilman, PhD*

October 05, 2023 at 09:45 AM



“ *William Joseph Heilman, PhD*

October 05, 2023 at 01:54 AM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of William Joseph Heilman, PhD.*



September 12, 2018 at 01:08 PM

PL

“ *PfP Industries, LLC purchased the Rose Remembrance for the family of William Joseph Heilman, PhD.*



PfP Industries, LLC - September 11, 2018 at 03:13 PM

CV

“ *Bill was a consummate gentleman, a crackerjack organic chemist, and a friend. I thoroughly enjoyed working for Bill.*

Cliff Venier - September 11, 2018 at 10:29 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of William Joseph Heilman, PhD.*



September 11, 2018 at 07:27 AM

BC

“ *Bill's friends at Shell Company purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of William Joseph Heilman, PhD.*



Bill's friends at Shell Company - September 10, 2018 at 07:48 PM