



Philip H. Inman

September 29, 1932 - February 8, 2019

Philip H. Inman, 86, of Beaver Falls, passed away Friday, February 8, 2019, in Elmcroft, Chippewa Twp. Born September 29, 1932, in Beaver Falls, son of the late Glenn and Alice Couch Inman, he was a retired music teacher and director with Rochester High School for 32 years. He was a graduate of Beaver Falls High School; a graduate of Carnegie Tech, where he received his BA Degree in Organ Performance and Music Education; and he received his Masters Degree from Carnegie Mellon University in Organ Performance. He was a Director Emeritus of the Beaver Valley Choral Society. A peacetime U.S. Army veteran, while stationed in Germany, he directed the musical "South Pacific." He was a former professor of music at Geneva College; past president of the Board of Directors of Supportive Services, Beaver Falls; and a member of the former Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church, Beaver Falls, where he had been director of music for 52 years. He served as choir director, bell choir director, organist, a former member of the church council and former Sunday school teacher. He was an organist for over 300 weddings, numerous funerals and special occasions. Phil was the first high school music director for Off-Broadway musicals in high schools which he continued producing for 25 years at Rochester High School. One of his musicals was "My Fair Lady" which he received a letter of congratulations from Rodgers and Hammerstein. He was voted man of the year by the Upper Valley JayCees and inducted into the Beaver County Music Hall of Fame. A recipient of the Henry Mancini Musical Theatre Award of Life Time Achievements, he was also a recipient of a Letter of Recognition for 25 years of Service as choral director at Rochester High School from President Ronald Reagan. He received the Appreciation Award for 30 years as director of the Beaver Valley Choral Society. A scholarship for students of the Choral Conducting Arts is named for Phil through the Beaver Valley Choral Society. Surviving are his wife of 64 years, Mary L. (Thumm) Inman; one daughter and son-in-law, LuAnn and Jay Glover, New Brighton; one son and daughter-in-law, Douglas W. and Mary Anne Inman, New Brighton; five grandchildren, Jeremy Glover and his wife Casey, Amy Cienkowski and her husband Tim; Scott Inman and his wife Tess, and Marc and Zachary Inman; five great-grandchildren, A.J., Max, Alex, Kelsey and Jase; a brother and two sisters-in-law, Donald and Carol Inman and Nancy Thumm, all of Beaver Falls; a godchild, Michael Woodling; beloved niece and nephew, Maribeth and James Masquelier;

and several other nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by a sister and brother-in-law, Margaret and William Adams; a brother and sister-in-law, George and Phyllis Inman; and three brothers-in-law and two sisters-in-law, Margaret and John Fencil, William and Mary Ann Thumm, and Albert Thumm Jr. Friends will be received Tuesday from 2 to 8 p.m. in WILLIAM MURPHY FUNERAL HOME, INC., 349 Adams St., Rochester. Services will be held Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, 393 Adams St., Rochester. Officiating will be the Rev. Gregory S. Clagg. Interment will follow in Grandview Cemetery. The Beaver County Special Unit will provide full military honors Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. at the church. The family wishes memorial contributions be made to the Philip H. Inman Excellence in Choral Conducting Arts Scholarship, P.O. Box 1628, Beaver Falls, PA 15010. The family would like to thank the staff at Elmcroft and Gateway Hospice, especially Judy, Katrina and Denise for their compassionate care and comfort given to Phil.

Cemetery

Grandview Cemetery

Beaver Falls, PA,

Events

FEB **Visitation** 02:00PM - 08:00PM

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William Murphy Funeral Home, Inc.
349 Adams Street, Rochester, PA, US, 15074

FEB **Service** 11:00AM

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Grace Evangelical Luthern Church
393 Adams Street, Rochester, PA, US, 15074

FEB **The Beaver County Special Unit** 11:30AM

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Comments



“ Phil was one of the kindest, most humble and generous people I have had the privilege of knowing. He was truly giving of his talents throughout his lifetime. He was a wonderful mentor when I began my teaching career and when I retired he shared his knowledge again by giving me organ lessons. Phil was a true gentleman in every sense of the word. May he be at peace and may beautiful sounds of angelic choirs surround him.

Marie Latagliata - February 13 at 09:33 PM



“ Dear Mrs. Inman and children and grandchildren. My deepest condolences to you on your loss. Mr. Inman was an amazing man, but you already knew that. A shining example of kindness among many wonderful attributes I so enjoyed our choir in school and the music he chose for us. All these years later I'm still walking around the house singing many of those songs, in alto! He was such a blessing and the blissful look on his face as we progressed in A cappella made us happy. God knows when we started school our A cappella choir was off key and at times he would grimace! I wish I could have bottled up his energy. Just a wonderful human being who gave his heart and soul to students, the church and the community. One memory I would like to share with Mrs. Inman goes back to perhaps when you and Mr. Inman were probably newlyweds, around 1956. My family shared box seats with you both at the old Rochester football stadium when my brother and I were very young. You shared a box of popcorn too. That is my earliest memory and I have nothing but fond and happy memories of Mr. Inman. My sincerest condolences and my prayers to all of you.

Katherine Carnegie Goddard, Rochester Class of 1969

Katherine Carnegie Goddard - February 12 at 06:02 PM



“ I have so many wonderful memories of Mr. Inman. He and Margery Shane instilled a love of music into me that has lasted to this day. My sincere sympathies to his family. He was such a special man.

Kathy Theil - February 11 at 08:23 PM



“ To the Inman Family, my sincere sympathies. I was a student at Rochester and had the privilege of knowing Mr. Inman not only as a teacher but as a friend. A wonderful man.



Liz Gardner Lindsay - February 11 at 06:59 PM



“ I did an independent study with Mr. Inman in 1988 at Geneva College on vocal pedagogy. He taught me all the things I used in my private studio for the next 25 yrs! He was a wonderful man!

Vicki Smith - February 11 at 07:32 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Philip H. Inman.



February 10 at 04:34 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Philip H. Inman.



February 10 at 03:01 PM



“ We, the staff of the William Murphy Funeral Home, Inc., wish to extend our sympathies to the family of Philip H. Inman.



William Murphy Funeral Home, Inc. - February 10 at 05:22 AM



“ Mr. Inman was a Blessing to all he was around. He instilled great ethics in all and was very thankful in doing so. He worked so hard to be the best Teacher which he was. He Loved all and was Loved by all. A great man that God put on this earth will be greatly missed. Bless you Mr. Phil Inman.

Rhonda Buday Sherbine - February 17 at 07:04 PM



“ Mr. Inman opened my heart and mind to the wonderful world of music as an untalented member of the A Capella Choir and several Rodgers and Hammerstein productions in the early 60's. I have always felt that one of God's purposes for him was to open ones eyes to the spirit of God through music. I am and will be forever thankful.

Judie Leslie Stanchak Williams

Judith Williams - February 19 at 10:31 PM