



## William J. McCurley Sr.

June 10, 2026

William J. McCurley, Sr., 96, formerly of Allentown, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, June 10, 2026 at Lehigh Commons, Macungie. He was the husband of the late Helen M. (Tyukody) McCurley, who recently passed away January 25, 2026. They shared 75 years of marriage. Born in Allentown, he was the son of the late James Sr. and Emma Rose (Kolowitz) McCurley.

He was a member of St. Paul Catholic Church, Allentown. William was a proud graduate of Allentown High School in 1947. In 1948, he began his career being hired into the Machinist Apprentice Program at Bethlehem Steel. From 1950-1954, he took leave of his position to serve in the U.S. Air Force, where he was stationed at Sheppard AFB, Wichita Falls, TX. He enlisted into the Airplane and Engine Mechanic Training Program and quickly became an instructor for the incoming mechanics in the A&E Training School. He was discharged as a Staff Sergeant. He was then able to return to Bethlehem Steel, being able to use those 4 years towards his Bethlehem Steel seniority and lastly retired as a Lead Foreman in No. 2 Machine Shop. After retirement, he tested and evaluated the new hires, and position upgrades in the No. 2 Machine Shop. He will be remembered for his love of golf; he was an avid long distance runner and he was a lifetime member of the Allentown YMCA. Mostly, he was greatly devoted and always cared for his immediate and extended family.

Survivors: son William McCurley, Jr, husband of Vivian of Griffin, GA; daughters Kathleen Alder, companion of Thomas Genzale, and Patricia Ackerman, wife of Thomas both of Allentown. He will also be missed by 9 grandchildren, 22 great grandchildren and 2 great great grandchildren. William preceded in death by his son Thomas McCurley, Sr; brother James Jr.; sister June Steckel and son in law Larrey Alder.

A Mass of Christian burial will be held on Thursday, June 18, 2026, at 11:00 AM at St. Paul Catholic Church, 920 S 2nd St, Allentown, PA 18103. A calling hour will begin at 10:00 AM. Burial will follow at St. Mark's Cemetery, Allentown.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Mark's Cemetery

103 W. Lexington St.  
Allentown, PA 18103

# Upcoming Events

## Calling Hour

JUN 18. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church  
920 S. 2nd St.  
Allentown, PA 18103

## Mass of Christian Burial

JUN 18. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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