



## William Strauss Cornelius

October 29, 1923 - March 29, 2014

William Strauss Cornelius, 90, of Bonita Springs, FL, passed away peacefully on March 29, 2014, surrounded by his loving family. Born in Johnstown, PA on October 29, 1923, William was a graduate of South Dakota State College of Civil Engineering.

He served his country during World War II with the 97th Infantry Division. He retired as the Director of Purchasing for the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission in Harrisburg, PA.

William retired to the Bonita Springs area in 1996 and settled in Village Walk of Bonita Springs, FL. He was a member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Naples. He was also involved with the Coffee Club of Village Walk as well as a member of their Bocce team. He loved playing cards and belonged to several card clubs.

All of those who knew William knew of his passion for all things train related. Even at age 90, he was still planning a train trip to North Carolina. William will be dearly missed by those who knew him.

He is survived by his loving wife, Angeline, whom he wed over 69 years ago on Valentine's Day in New York City. He also leaves behind his children, William (Nancy) Cornelius of Harrisburg, PA and Frances (Lawrence) Everly of

Bonita Springs, FL; three grandchildren, Karen Douglas and Kathryn; three great grandsons, Jake, Ryan and Jack; many nieces and nephews; and his most beloved cat, Ellie.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Thursday, April 3, 2014 at 10:30 a.m. at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 625 111th Ave. N., Naples. Burial rites with Military Honors will follow in the church memorial garden.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that memorial contributions be made to Hope Hospice, 9470 HealthPark Circle, Ft. Myers, FL 33908.

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home.

# Cemetery Details

## St. John the Evangelist Memorial Garden

625 111th Ave. No.  
Naples, FL 34108

# Previous Events

## Mass of Christian Burial

APR 3. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church  
625 111th Avenue North  
Naples, FL 34108

# Tribute Wall



“ *William Strauss Cornelius*

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *Angie,  
Please accept my sincere sympathy in the loss of your husband.  
Elaine O'Hara*

**Elaine O'Hara** - April 04, 2014 at 08:34 AM



“ *To Angie and family, I'm so sorry to hear of Bill's passing. We shared many memories from the Turnpike Commission Some great and other s not so. Through it all he was a straight shooter and a dependable, good man. And very fun loving.  
Lou Martin*

**Lou Martin** - April 02, 2014 at 02:53 PM



“ *A sympathy card was purchased for the family of  
William Strauss Cornelius.*



April 01, 2014 at 03:48 PM

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“ *We will miss you my friend. We had a good time getting lost on our many deployments. Rest in peace my friend. Jim and Linda Fox.*

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**James and Linda Fox** - April 01, 2014 at 08:41 AM