

Wilbert Howard Schwotzer, 92, passed away Sunday afternoon, November 1st surrounded by his loving family. He was born in Versailles Borough, PA on April 26, 1923. He is predeceased by his parents, Ethel and Paul Schwotzer.

Wilbert attended the University of Pittsburgh where he graduated with a degree in accounting in 1943. He enlisted in the Army in December of 1942 and was called to active duty in March of 1943 so his Pitt class graduated without him and he was awarded military credit for his last semester. He began the typical 13 weeks of basic training at Camp McQuaide in CA, but after 6 weeks he was transferred to Stanford University in Palo Alto to become a student in the Army Specialized Training Program, studying advanced personnel psychology. He was a member of a Medical and Psychological Evaluation Unit until his discharge in February 1946.

Upon returning home to McKeesport PA, Wilbert was offered a position as an accountant with Haskins and Sells accounting firm, now Deloitte. He married his sweetheart Dorothy Ramsden on September 11, 1948. Wilbert and Dorothy had 3 children, Lynne, Carol and Paul while living in McKeesport. In 1963 Wil became a partner with Haskins and Sells and the Schwotzer family moved to Atlanta GA.

Wil worked as a Certified Public Accountant with Deloitte until he retired in 1986. He served on the Georgia State Board of Accountancy and as the President of the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy. Wil retired only to go on to teach accounting at Georgia State University.

The day after Wil's family arrived in Atlanta, they attended church at St. James United Methodist. The family joined St. James and Wil was a member for 52 years where he served as an officer of and sang in the Chancel Choir, was the piano accompanist for the children's choir and served as the church treasurer. Wil was a co-founder of AMIS, Atlanta Ministry with

International Students in 1978 and served as a board member, president and treasurer. He and his wife Dorothy hosted dozens of international students from all over the world. Wil also served as treasurer for the General Board of Pensions for the United Methodist Church. Along with a friend he started a Toastmaster's Club at St. James where he always volunteered to serve as the grammarian. He served the Lord and the church with unselfish dedication and love.

In addition to the hours of volunteer work with the church, Wil was also a Legion of Honor member of the Atlanta Kiwanis Club for 35 years. He served as the treasurer of the Atlanta Kiwanis Club and was the accountant for the Kiwanis Foundation. Those who knew him well described him as one who always sought perfection, never resting until every penny was accounted for, yet one who was patient, kind, generous, lovable and loving; a true man of God.

Wil is survived by his loving wife of 67 years, Dorothy, his 3 children, Lynne Stevens, Carol Seay, and Paul Schwotzer (Cathy), five grandchildren, Jennie Seay Miltiades (Charles), Whitney Seay Haas (David), Jordan Seay, Amy Stevens, Jeff Stevens, and four great grandchildren, Caroline, Leo and Katina Miltiades and Marshall Haas.

A memorial service will be held on Friday November 6, 2015 at 1:00 PM at St. James UMC, 4400 Peachtree Dunwoody Rd. Atlanta GA 30342. The family will receive friends 45 minutes prior to the service and at a reception immediately following.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations to the St. James UMC Missions, AMIS, the American Diabetes Association, or the American Cancer Society.