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CHARLES H. "CHICK" TRAFFORD 1934-2009

The Four Freshmen Society recently lost one of our most tireless contributors and the Four Freshmen lost who was most surely one of their greatest fans. Chick Trafford was a driving force within the society serving as the editor of Fresh News for nearly twenty years. His dedication to the music and the group has been a serious influence upon the genre and it is very likely that the Four Freshmen and the Society would look far different today had it not been for his years of dedication and support. Chick had to deal with multiple health issues in recent years so we know that it was often a struggle to serve in his role as editor of Fresh News, and his final issue was published just a few weeks prior to his passing. The Society and the Freshmen family has lost a dear friend and he will be missed.

To the Four Freshmen Society

As you probably know Chick was a member of the Society of Friends. Since there was no Meeting for Worship in our corner of Western PA, he attended the First Presbyterian Church with me. The church has a strong music program that involves all age levels. We had a Quaker funeral for him in the dining room of the church and the only music heard was the sound of the Four Freshmen.

Your very generous donation to his Memorial Fund has been directed to the music department of the church. I thank you for keeping the music playing.

Chick was an accomplished singer as a very young man. When he discovered the sound of the Four Freshmen he struck gold! His dedication to the Society was a gift of love and he felt lucky to be able to share it. I thank you all for honoring him with a donation to music. Peace to thee (as Chick would say)

Thank you,
Sue Trafford