CLEMENS - In loving memory of our Mother and Grandmother, Minnie Clemens, who passed away May 28, 1987 on her 95th Birthday,

October 14th. Happy Birthday Mom Today is your birthday, And this is very hard. There'll be no ice cream, cake or presents. Not even a birthday card. Although it's very difficult, I know just what to do: Just send these prayers and love to you in care of God.

in care of God,
Just meant for you.
Sadly Missed by her Son,
Daughters and Grandchildren
and all who loved her.

#### MRS. GAYLORD ALLEN

Mrs. Beulah Mae Clemens Allen 27, of Avella R. D. 1, wife of Gay lord Allen, died Thursday, Jan. 30, 1941, at the home of her parents on the William Truax farm, near Eldersville.

Mrs. Allen was born in Buffalo Township, a daughter of Charles and Minnie Kelley Clemens, and had spent most of her life in Hope well Township. Her marriage with Gaylord Allen was solemnized in 1932.

Surviving, besides her parents and her husband, are one daugh

ter. Mary Etta, aged five.

Funeral services will be held at the home of her parents on the Truax farm Sunday afternoon at B o'clock in charge of the Rev. Charles H. Beck, paster of Eldersville Methodist Church. Burial will be in North Buffalo Cemetery. Sied at 10 & f.

# Minnie G. Clemens

Minnie G. Kelley Clemens, 94, of Hickory died at 5:15 a.m. Thursday, May 28, 1987, in Washington Hospital following a lengthy illness.

She was born October 14, 1892, in Washington County, daughter of James and Elizabeth Allen Kelley.

Mrs. Clemens was Protestant.

On September 20, 1913, she was married to Charles R. Clemens, who died April 1, 1974.

Surviving are one son, Russell W. Clemens of Cherry Valley; five daughters, Mrs. Paul (Mary) Walters, with whom she made her home, Mrs. Tony (Betty) Flauro, Mrs. O.H. (Helen) Cooke and Mrs. Burl (Clara Bell) Goughenour, all of Hickory, and Peg Grabski of Aliquippa; one brother, James Kelley of Washington; 19 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; and seven great-great-grandchildren.

Deceased are one daughter, Beulah Allen; three brothers, Jack, John and Clyde Kelley; and four sisters, Kizzie Dinch, Maggie Clemens, Bess Frazie and Clara Thompson.

# In Memory of Charles R. Clemens

THE Lord is my Shepherd; I shall

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: Thou arointest my head with oil; my cup mineth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. Date of Birth NOVEMBER 29, 1889

> Date of Death APRIL 1, 1974

Services from HUMMELL FUNERAL HOME

THURSDAY APRIL 4, 1974 1:30 P.M.

Clergyman Officiating
REV. JOHN MARK SCOTT

Final Resting Place
NORTH BUFFALO CEMETERY

## In Memory Of

## MINNIE G. KELLEY CLEMENS

Date of Birth OCTOBER 14, 1892

Date Of Death MAY 28, 1987

Services
HUMMELL AND BARNHILL
FUNERAL HOME, INC.
1:00 P.M., SATURDAY
MAY 30, 1987

Officiating
DR. GORDON E. BOAK

Resting Place
NORTH BUFFALO CEMETERY
BUFFALO TWP., WASH. CO., PA

BONGIORNI — Friends of Michael and Amy Bongiorni, whose infant son, Michael Edward Bongiorni Jr., died Thursday, August 1, 1991, will be received in the George T. Hayden Funeral Home, 261 Erie Mine Road, Burgetts-

neral Home, 261 Erie Mine Road, Burgettstown, on Monday, August 5, from 9 to 11 a.m., hour of services, with the Rev. Rudolph Smoley officiating. Interment in Our Lady of

Lourdes Cemetery, Burgettstown.

BONGIORNI - In loving memory of MICHAEL BONGIORNI who passed away on August 1, 1991. A finy bit of heaven

away on August 1, 1991.
A tiny bit of heaven
Carne to us one day,
Too precious for earth,
He could not let her stay.
O Blessed little sunbeam,
O child of love and care,
We give thee to the keeping
Of the tender Shepherd's care.

Lovingly remembered by Mother, Father, Brittany & Geno.

#### CLEMENS—In loving memory of our dear husband and Dad who passed away 8 years ago, April 1, 1974

My heart still aches with sadness
My secret tears still flow.
What it meant to lose you
No one will ever know.
When I am sad and lonely,
And everything goes wrong.
I seem to hear you whisper

Cheer up and carry on
Just a prayer from those who
loved you
Just a memory fond and true.
In our hearts you'll live forever.

Because we thought the world of you.

SADLY MISSED BY WIFE MIN-

NIE, SON, DAUGHTERS, GRANDCHILDREN AND ALL WHO LOVE HIM of our Husband, Dad & Grandfather, Charles Clemens, who passed away 13 years ago, April 1, 1974. There is still an ache

That the passing years have not taken away.
A place in our hearts that nothing can fill
We miss you and always will.
Time goes on, but memories stay
As dear and near as yesterday.

In our hearts today

As dear and near as yesterday, Deep in our hearts you are with us yet, We loved you too much to ever forget. Sadly Missed by Wife Minnie, Son, Daughters and Grandchildren.

#### BONG/JORNI -- In loving memory of Michael Edward Bongiorni, Jr. on his birthday, August 1. A tiny bit of heaven Came to us one day, Too precious for earth, He could not let him stay. O Blessed little sunbeam, O child of love and care, We give thee to the keeping Of the tender Shepherd's care. Loved and Sadly Missed by Mom, Dad, Brittany and Family

of our Mother, Minnie Clemens, on Mother's Day. Happy Mother's Day Mom

Wondering why it had to be. God gently took you in his arms And took you away from me. Someday we will be together, In heaven up above.

I stand on the ground above you

In heaven up above.
But fill the time comes
You will always have my love.
To know her was to love her
Both for family and friends
And the sweetness of her memory

ory
Time can neither dim nor end.
SADLY MISSED BY
SON AND DAUGHTERS.

## 105—Memoriams

CLEMENS - In loving memory of our Mother and Grandmother, Minnie Clemens, who passed away one year ago, May 28, 1987. Dear Mom how we miss you

this special day

For it's been one year ago you went away
From your hospital bed to your

heavenly rest
God took you home to be his
guest
You suffered too much

You suffered too much Your pleasures were few You never deserved what you went through You stood the test, you took it

well
And what you suffered no one can tell.
So treasure her dear Lord

So treasure her dear Lord
In your garden of rest
Because she was our Mom
And she was the best.
Sadly Missed by her Son,
Daughters, Grandchildren
and All Who Loved Her.

#### 105—Memoriams

CLEMENS - In loving memory of our dear Mother, Minnie Clemens, on her 96th Birthday, October 14, 1988. Happy Birthday Mom Wish our Mom a Happy Birthday Lord

And when you see her smile Tell her how much we all love her

And miss her all the while Put your arms around her Lord Give her your tender care. Make up for all she suffered And all that seemed unfair. Loved and Missed by your Son.

Daughters and All Who Loved You.

# Michael Bongiorni Jr.

Michael Edward Bongiorni Jr., infant son of Michael and Amy Goughenour Bongiorni, died on the day of his birth, Thursday, August 1, 1991, in Washington Hospital.

Surviving, in addition to his parents, are one sister, Brittany Lynn Bongiorni: paternal grandparents Robert and Maryann Bongiorni Sr. of Burgettstown: maternal grandparents, Burl and Clara Goughenour of Hickory; paternal great-grandmother, Rose Bongiorni of Hickory and maternal great-grandmother. Katherine Esno of Burgettstown.

Kenny Price, the "Hee Haw" performer who appeared at Washing-

ton's Bassettown Arts Festival a few years ago, has died at the age of 56. Price played Elrod the Sheriff on the series since 1973, and also was a member of the show's gospel quartet.

### 105-Memoriams

CLEMENS - In loving memory of Charles Clemens who passed away 12 years ago April 1, 1974. Oh, the memory of that sad

day,
As we stood with aching hearts
To see our dear Dad, whom we
loved dearly,

From us forever part. Human hands tried to save him,

Prayers and tears seemed all in vain;

Happily, angels came and took him from this weary world of pain.

Dear Dad, how we miss you, But we know it was God's will. Others may forget you, But Dad, we never will.

You are gone, but not forgotten,

Never shall your memory fade; Sweetest thoughts shall always linger around the

always linger around the grave where you are laid. Sadly Missed by wife Minnie, Son, Daughters & Grandchildren.

# 10—Memoriams 1985

CLEMENS - In loving memory of our dear Husband, Father, & Grandfather, Charles Clemens who passed away 11 years ago April 1. 1974.

April 1, 1974.
We cannot bring the old days back when our family was all together
And all the fun things we

And all the fun things we shared in sunny or cloudy weather.

Now that you're gone from our

tomorrows

We're hoping that time is kind
in taking the edge off all our
sorrows

And leaving sweet memories behind.

If someone were to ask us what would make a perfect

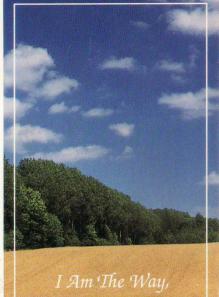
day, We would simply answer To have "Daddy" back to

stay.
Sadly missed by his Wife Minnie, Son, Daughters & all who loved him.

wishes to express their gratitude and appreciation to friends, neighbors and relatives for the beautiful flowers. food, cards and prayers during our recent bereavement. Special thanks to Dr. Gordon E. Boak, the pallbearers and the Hummel and Barnhill Funeral Directors. Your kindness will always be remembered. The Family of Minnie G.

Clemens

The Minnie Clemens family



I Am The Way, The Truth And The Life

## In Loving Memory of Helen G. Cooke May 27, 1925 March 30, 1999

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the lord forever.

> DeAngelo Funeral Homes Canonsburg ~ Washington

#### CLEMENS - Friends of Russell William Clemens of Cherry Valley, who died Friday,

October 1, 1999, will be received from 7 to

9 p.m. Sunday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m.

Monday in Hayden-Taucher Funeral Home, 23 Erie Mine Road, Burgettstown, where services

will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, October 5,

with the Rev. Bruce Ballantine officiating, Interment in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory.

## **Russell W. Clemens**

## Retired Smith Township employee

Russell William Clemens, 83, of Cherry Valley, died Friday, October 1, 1999, in Weirton (W.Va.) Medical Center.

He was born September 8, 1916, in Taylorstown, a son of Charles and Minnie Kelley Clemens.

Prior to his retirement, he was employed by Smith Township.

Surviving are a son, Charles
Clemens of Cherry Valley; a
daughter, Geraldine Krenzelak of
Cherry Valley; four sisters, Mary
Walters, Betty Filauro, Peg
Grabski and Clarabelle
Goughenour, all of Hickory; four
grandchildren, Linda Sedar,
Russell Clemens, Brian
Krenzelak and Mark Krenzelak;
and seven great-grandchildren.

Deceased are his wife, Emma Rouch Clemens, who died January 8, 1990; and two sisters.

#### of 521 Blaine avenue, Canonsburg, died at 5:10 a.m. Monday, March 24, 1952, at the Canonsburg Genetral Hospital following a brief illness. Born in Chartiers Township on

December 9, 1882, Mrs. Kennedy

MRS. MARGARET L. KENNEDY Mrs. Margaret L. Kennedy, 68.

war a daughter of the late David J.
ano Mary Jane McCarty Mull. She
was a member of the Westland
U. P. Mission and its Women's Missionary Society.
She was the widow of John S.

She was the widow of John S. Kennedy, who died in 1926.
Survivors include four sons, Jo-

seph, Canonsburg; Ralph Washington; Clark, Topeka, Kans. and John, Alexandria, Va.; two daughters, Mrs. Helen Burkholder, Mt. Pleasant, and Mary Belle, wife of

Harry H. Green, Houston: 13 grandchildren; two brothers, William Mull, McDonald, R. D. and Ralph Mull, Avella, R. D.; also two sisters, Mrs. Georgia Marth, Avella, R. D. and Mrs. Mattie Criquellion,

Westland.

cooke – Friends of Helen G. Cooke of Hickory, who died Tuesday, March 30, 1999, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday in the Dale D. DeAngelo Funeral Home, 1290 Jefferson Avenue, Washington, where a service will be held

at 11 a.m. Thursday, April 1, with the Rev. Gary Gibson, pastor of North Buffalo Presbyterian Church, officiating. Interment will follow in North Buffalo Church Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, Washington unit, 135 South College Street; Wash-

ington, PA 15301-4967.

## Helen G. Cooke

## Hickory resident

Helen G. Cooke, 73, of Hickory, died Tuesday, March 30, 1999, in Washington County Health Center, following a yearlong illness.

She was born May 27, 1925, in Washington County, a daughter of Charles and Minnie Kelly und Clemens.

Mrs. Cooke was Presbyterian. On April 20, 1953, she married O.H. Cooke, who died May 16, 1990.

Surviving are two sons,
Gordon Cooke of Hickory and
Don Cooke of Washington; a
brother, Russ Clemens of Cherry
Valley; four sisters, Mary
Walters, Betty Filauro, Peg
Grabski and Clara Belle "Pooch"
Goughenour, all of Hickory; and
four grandchildren, Clayton,
Christa, Anthony and Benjamin
Cooke.

Deceased is a sister, Beulah

#### KENNEDY - Friends of Gary Lee Kennedy of Hickory, who died Friday, May 19, 2000. we be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., 27 Cherry Avenue, Houston, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, May 22, with the Rev. Mark Scott officating. Interment will follow in North Buffalo Cemetery, Woodruff Family Services,

# **Gary Lee Kennedy**

# Employed by Hickory Feed Mill, Accutrex

Gary Lee Kennedy, 48, of Hickory, died Friday, May 19, 2000, in Canonsburg Hospital.

He was born March 22, 1952, in Hickory, a son of Clara B. Clemens Kennedy Goughenour of Hickory and the late Ralph Harold Kennedy.

Mr. Kennedy was a 1970 graduate of Fort Cherry High School and a member of Westland

Sportsman's Club.

He was employed by Hickory Feed Mill and Accutrex of Meadow Lands.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are five sisters, Patty Rodgers and Janet Carter, both of Avella, Nancy McElhaney and Amy Bongiorni, both of Southview, and Peggy Andrews of Washington; his stepfather, Burl Goughenour of Hickory; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased is a sister, Clara

Jane Goughenour.

# Safely Home

I am home in heaven, dear ones; Oh, so happy and so bright! There is perfect joy and beauty In this everlasting light.

All the pain and grief is over, Every restless tossing passed; I am now at peace forever, You shall rest in God's own land.

There is work still waiting for you.
So you must not idly stand;
Do it now, while life remainethYou shall rest in God's own land.

When that work is all completed, He will gently call you Home; Oh, the rapture of that meeting, Oh, the joy to see you come! In Loving Memory

## Gary Lee Kennedy

Services

McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home, Ltd. May 22, 2000 11:00 AM

Officiating
Rev. Mark Scott

Service

North Buffalo Cemetery Claysville, PA

Arrangements by

Woodruff Family Services, LLP

MCILVAINE-SPEAKMAN FUNERAL HOME Houston, PA 15342

# Betty Jane Donaldson Filauro

Homemaker from Hickory



Betty Jane Donaldson Filauro, 85, of Hickory, died at 9:07 p.m. Wednesday, August 30, 2006, in her

home, following an 18-month illness.

She was born June 6, 1921, in Washington County, a daughter of Charles Edward and Minnie Kelley Clemens.

Mrs. Filauro was a homemaker.

As a child, she attended a United Presbyterian church.

Her first husband was Herbert Edward Miller.

In 1946, she married William J. Donaldson, who died in 1978. Her third husband was Tony

Filauro, who died in 1987.

Surviving are a son, Charles E. Miller of Hickory; three sisters, Mary Walters and Clara Bell "Pooch" Goughenour of Hickory and Margaret Grabski of Westland; two grandsons, Thomas Miller and David John Pacyna; and four great-grandchildren, Thomas Miller Jr., Jason Pacyna, James Pacyna and

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Danielle Wallack.

Deceased are a brother, Russell Clemens; two sisters, Beulah Ellen and Helen Cook; a grandson, Dennis James Pacyna; and two great-grandchildren, Drew Miller and Michael John Pacyna.

Friends will be received 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday and 10 to 11 a.m., the time of service, Saturday, September 2, in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, with the Rev. R. Douglas Reinard officiating.

Burial will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory.

Additional information and guest book are available online at www. NealFuneralHome.com.

Goughenour.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, September 9, with the Rev. John Mark Scott officiatmg. Burial will follow in North Buffalo Cemetery. Military rites will be accorded graveside by Houston American Legion Pos 2 and VFW Post 191. Addi sonal information and gues book available online www.NealFuneralHome.com

# **Burl Goughenour**

Korean War veteran and B.F. Drakenfield employee



B u r l Goughenour, 78, of Hickory, died at 6:28 a.m. Thursday, September 7, 2006, in Canonsburg

General Hospital, following a one-week illness.

He was born August 20, 1928, in Avella, a son of James and Grace Hines Goughenour.

Mr. Goughenour served in the U.S. Army in Korea during the Korean War.

He worked as a laborer for 22 years at B.F. Drakenfield.

Mr. Goughenour enjoyed hunting and fishing and was an avid baseball fan.

He was Protestant and a member of Westland Sportsmen's Club and Houston American Legion 902.

On November 5, 1955, he married Clara "Pooch" Clemens, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Amy (Mike) Bongiorni of Southview and Peggy Andrews of Washington; three stepdaughters, Patty Rodgers of Washington, Nancy (Kenny "Bubby") McElhaney of Southview and Janet (Jeff) Carter of Surprise, Ariz.; three brothers, Floyd Goughenour of Gulf Port, Miss., Edwin ("Dude") Goughenour of Eighty Four and Glenn Goughenour of Amity; and 10 grandchildren, Cara and Adam Andrews, Brittany, Geno and Dylan Bongiorni, J.J. and Mike Rodgers, Kasie and Sam McElhanev and Heather Mullins.

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Deceased are a daughter, Clara Jane Goughenour; a stepson, Gary Kennedy; a grandson, Michael Bongiorni Jr.; a sister, Mary Margaret Goughenour; and a brother, Dave GOD'S GARDEN MUST

FAUTIFUL d around His garearth, and saw your face. You did not de-to suffer, and so He you rest. God's garden avs takes the best. God w you getting tired when cure was not to be, He d whispered, "Come to the knew that you were the knew you were pain. He knew that you ould never get well on this arth again. He saw the road etting rough, the hills were whispered, "Now's the me. And when we saw ou resting, so peaceful and ree from pain, We could not sh you back to suffer that again. It broke our hearts to bse you, but you didn't go cone. For part of us went you, the day God called tou home.

Deeply missed by FAMILY and FRIENDS

## William J. Donaldson

William J. Donaldson, 71, of R. D. 1, Hickory, died Monday, August 21, 1978, in the Washington hospital.

A son of Alfred J. and Nettie McConnell Donaldson, he was born November 17, 1906, in Mr. Pleasant Township. He was a retired farmer.

Surviving are his wife, Betty Clemens Donaldson; a son, Charles Miller of Hickory; three grandsons and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m. Thursday in the Speakman funeral home, Houston, in charge of the Rev. John Mark Scott. Burial will be in Mt. Prospect cemetery.

### RALPH HAROLD KENNEDY

Ralph Harold Kennedy, 83, of 782 Addison street, Washington, died at 1 p. m. Saturday, May 9, 1953. in his home, of a heart attack.

Mr. Kennedy, a son of the late John and Margaret Mull Kennedy. was born October 11, 1919, in Canonsburg. He was a resident of Washington the last three years, and previous to that made his home in Hickory. He attended the Presbyterian Church. He was associated with the Fisher Body Works of the General Motors Company, at McKeesport. He was a member of the U.A.W., CIO Local No. 545.

He was a veteran of World War II, in which he served four and onehalf years in the Army in the South Pacific. He was a member of John C. McIlvaine Post No. 902, American Legion, at Houston.

October 18, 1947, he married

Clara Bell Clemens, of Hickory, who survives.

Also surviving are four children. Patty Ann. 4: Nancy Jane, 3: Gary Lee, 1, and Janet Sue, 4 weeks, and five brothers and sisters, Joseph Kennedy, Canonsburg, R. D. 1: Mrs. Helen Burkholder, of Mt. Pleasant: Mary Bell, wife of Harry Green, of Houston; Clark Kennedy, in California in the U.S. Army, and John Kennedy, of Memphis, Tenn.

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## In Loving Memory of

GOUGHENOUR—Friends of Clara Jane Goughenour, infant daughter of Burl and Clara Bell Clemens Goughenour, of Hickory, who died Friday, Jan. 11, 1957, are being received in the Goughenour home at Hickory, where services will be held at 2 p. m., Saturday, Jan. 12, in charge of Rev. John Mark Scott, pastor of North Buffalo United Presbyterian Church. Interment in North Buffalo Cemetery.

#### CLARA JANE GOUGHENOUR

Clara Jane Goughenour, 21-dayold daughter of Burl and Clara Bell Clemens Goughenour, of Hickory, died in Childrens Hospital, Pittsburgh, at 7 a. m. Friday, Jan. 11, 1957.

She was born at Canonsburg Dec. 20, 1956.

Surviving in addition to her parents are maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clemens, Hickory, and the paternal grandmother, Mrs. Grace Goughenour, Amity, R. D. 1; three half-sisters, Patricia Ann, Nancy Jane and Janet Sue Kennedy; and a half-brother, Gary Lee Kennedy, all at home.

God hath not promised
Skies always blue,
Flower-strewn pathways
All our lives through;
God hath not promised
Sun without rain,
Foy without sorrow,
Peace without pain.

But God hath promised
Strength for the day,
Rest for the labor,
Light for the way.
Grace for the trials,
Help from above,
Unfailing sympathy
Undying love...

# IN MEMORY OF WILLIAM J. DONALDSON

NOVEMBER 17, 1906

DATE OF DEATH AUGUST 21, 1978

AUGUST 24, 1978 1:00 P.M.

WILLIAM E. SPEAKMAN
FUNERAL HOME
27 Cherry Avenue
Houston, Pennsylvania

OFFICIATING
REV. JOHN MARK SCOTT

MT. PROSPECT CEMETERY

### **Paul Newton Walters**

Paul Newton Walters, 64, of Hickory, formerly of Grafton, W.Va., died at 3:14 a.m. Monday, August 15, 1988, in Washington Hospital.

He was born April 5, 1924, in Grafton, W.Va., a son of Newton

and Pearl Walters.

He was employed as a mill-wright at Jessop Steel Co. for 30 years, retiring in 1982.

He was Protestant.

Mr. Walters was a member of the Jessop Employees Club, the Loyal Order of Moose No. 127 of Canonsburg, the VFW Post 2026 of Canonsburg, and the American Legion Post 902 of Houston.

He was veteran of the United States Army, having served in

World War II.

On May 19, 1950, he married Mary Clemens Walters, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, James H. Clemens of Hickory, Jack L. Clemens of Rochester, and Charles P. Walters of Washington; two brothers, Harold and Curtis Walters, both of Grafton, W.Va.; one sister, Altoona McNeil of Detroit, Mich.; five grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

Deceased are one brother, Charles Walters, and one sister,

Genevieve Parry.

## John J. Rodgers

Worked as a custodian in Avella School District

John J. Rodgers, 51, of Avella, died Saturday, January 22, 1994, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh.

He was born April 26, 1942, in Pittsburgh, a son of the late John F. and Anna Ritzik Rodgers.

Mr. Rodgers worked as a custodian in Avella School District for the last nine years and formerly was employed by Bianchi Chevrolet in McDonald.

He was a member of Avella Athletics Incorporated and the Westland Sportsmen's Club.

On May 19, 1979, he married Patricia Kennedy, who survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Debbie Messner of Pittsburgh; six sons, Michael and John Rodgers Jr., both of Avella, Eddie and Dennis Rodgers, both of Pittsburgh, John E. Rodgers of Gibsonia and Patrick Rodgers of Brentwood; six grandchildren; one brother, Milton Rodgers of Bulger; and three sisters, Mrs. Danny (Carol) Leonard of Bulger, Mrs. Shirley Kroll of Imperial and Mrs. Dolores Carter of Munhall.

#### In Loving Memory of

#### John Joseph Rodgers

Born: Sunday April 26, 1942 Died: Saturday January 22, 1994

Funeral Service Tuesday January 25, 1994 at 11 AM Jerome A. Stefkovich Funeral Home

#### 23rd Psalm

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me besides the still waters; He restoreth my soul; He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a tablie before me in the presence of mine enemies; Thou anoitest my head with oil, my cup runneth ove. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the House of the

JEROME A. STEFKOVICH FUNERAL HOME Avella, PA

#### Orville H. Cooke

Orville H. Cooke, 82, of Mt. Pleasant Township, died at 3 a.m. Wednesday, May 16, 1990, at the Presbyterian Health Center, Washington.

Born October 19, 1907, in Vanceburg, Ky., he was a son of Edward and Magdelan Cooke.

Before his retirement he had been employed at Pennsylvania & West Virginia Railroad for 43 vears, where he was a signal foreman. He was Protestant.

Surviving are his wife. Helen Clemens Cooke; two sons, Gordon H. Cooke and Donald E. Cooke, both of Hickory; and two grandchildren

Deceased is a half-brother. Ellsworth Beans.

Services will be private and at

the family's convenience.

#### In Memory Of

#### PAUL NEWTON WALTERS

Date of Birth APRIL 5, 1924

Date of Death AUGUST 15, 1988

Services
HUMMELL AND BARNHILL
FUNERAL HOME, INC.
1:30 P. M., WEDNESDAY
AUGUST 17, 1988

Officiating
REV. STUART D. BROBERG

Resting Place
NORTH BUFFALO CEMETERY
BUFFALO TWP., WASH. CO., PA

#### **Tonio Filauro**

Tonio Filauro, 68, of Hickory R.D.1 died at 3:55 a.m. Friday, June 26, 1987, in Washington Hospital following a brief illness.

He was born May 30, 1919, in Christopher, Ill., a son of John and

Liberata Filauro.

Mr. Filauro was a retired coal miner, having worked at Montour No. 4 Mine.

He was member of both the Midway and McDonald VFW clubs, and was a member of the Raccoon Valley Sportsmen's Club.

He was a veteran of World War II, having served with the U.S. Army.

Surviving are his wife, Betty Clemens Donaldson Filauro; a daughter, Mrs. Joe (Marsha) Kelso of McDonald R.D.3; one stepson, Charles Miller of Hickory R.D.1; one brother, Dominick Filauro of Detroit, Mich.; three sisters, Mary Gasbarrina of Muse, Rosina Andrews of New York, N.Y., and Asunta LaChionia of Abruzzi, Italy; seven step-grandchildren and one step-great-grandson.

## The Twenty Third Psalm

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## Edward Grabski

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BORN
June 19, 1910

February 28, 1977

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF SERVICES
HAYDEN MEMORIAL CHAPEL
BURGETTSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA
Thursday March 3, 1:00 p.m.

OFFICIATING CLERGY
REV. JOHN M. SCOTT

PLACE OF INTERMENT
North Buffalo Cemetery

ARRANGEMENTS BY
HAYDEN FUNERAL HOME
BURGETTSTOWN, PA.

#### Grabski

Patricia D. Grabski, 32, of 3203 Roosevelt Avenue. Aliquippa died Sunday, April 18.

Mrs. Grabski was born September 8, 1949, in Franklin Township, a daughter of Melvin and Jane Marsh Polen of Avella. She was a member of the Baptist Temple of Aliquippa.

Surviving are her husband, Ronald D. and daughters Barbara, Beverly, and Brenda, at home, two sisters, Mrs. Robert (Marsha) Bish c' Midway, Mrs. Joseph (Billie) Yuhas of Avella, and a brother, Clifford Polard of Avella.

#### **Emma J. Clemens**

Emma J. Clemens, 75, of Cherry Valley, died Monday, January 8, 1990, in Washington Hospital.

She was born October 15, 1914, in Southview, a daughter of George

and Lena Boldt Roach.

She was a member of the Church

of Nazarene in Atlasburg.

Surviving are her husband, Russell Clemens; one son, Charles Clemens of Cherry Valley; a daughter, Geraldine Krenzelak of Cherry Valley; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two brothers, George William Roach and Jesse

Roach.

# The Twenty-Third Isala

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Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. IN LOVING MEMORY OF
EMMA J. CLEMENS
DATE OF BIRTH
October 15, 1914
DATE OF DEATH
January 8, 1990

PLACE AND TIME OF SERVICES
Hayden Memorial Chapel
Burgettstown, PA
Thursday, January 11, 1990
11:00 A.M.

OFFICIATING CLERGY
Rev. Lawrence Dabil
PLACE OF INTERMENT
Mt. Prospect Cemetery
Hickory, PA

ARRANGEMENTS BY
Hayden Funeral Home
Burgettstown, PA

We who have loved him in life, let us not forget him in death

JESUSI MARY! JOSEPH! In Loving Memory of:

#### EDWARD KRENZELAK

Born: November 26, 1930

Died: July 1, 1984

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, ever present in the Blessed Sacrame t, ever consumed with a burning love for the poor souls in Purgatory, have mercy on the soul of Thy servant.

#### EDWARD

that being dead to the world he may live with Thee; and whatever sins he may have committed through human frailty; do thou in Thy most merciful goodness forgive and let Thy angel conduct him to eternal happiness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen May the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

ARRANGEMENTS BY
Hayden Funeral Home
Burgettstown, PA

## Clark D. Kennedy

Hickory native was veteran of World War II. Korean War

Clark D. Kennedy, 74, of 525 Quail Nest Lane, Pensacola, Fla., died at 11:55 p.m. Thursday, July 13, 1995, in Washington Hospital.

He was born June 6, 1921, in Hickory, a son of Steven and Margaret Mull Kennedy.

Mr. Kennedy had lived in Harrisonville and lived for the past five years in Pensacola, where he was a member of St. Luke's United Methodist Church.

Mr. Kennedy was a graduate of Hickory High School and Florida State University.

He served with the U.S. Air Force for 21 years, including service in World War II and the Korean War.

Prior to his retirement, Mr.
Kennedy had been employed for 18
years by the Pennsylvania Bureau
of Vocational Rehabilitation,
where he was assistant director.

He was a member of the National Rehabilitation Association and American Legion Post 340 of Pensacola.

On April 3, 1945, he married Laura Carter, who survives. Also surviving are two sons, Carter J. Kennedy of Key West, Fla., and Dan Kennedy of Waveland, Miss.; one daughter, Lynne Settlemyer of Charlotte, N.C.; five grandchildren, Clark D. Kennedy, Kate Kennedy, and Laura, Jill and Diana Settlemyer; and several nieces and nephews.

He was the last of his immediate

or our granucillia.

## Joseph D. Kennedy

Joseph D. Kennedy, 75, of Harrisonville, formerly of Washington County, died Friday, November 25, 1988, in Carlisle Hospital.

He was born April 4, 1913, in McGovern, Chartiers Township, a son of John S. and Margaret L. Mull Kennedy.

He retired from Coppers Co. in 1978.

Surviving are one daughter, Melanie Hartman of Wolfdale; one son, Ralph Kennedy of Wolfdale; two brothers, Clark D. Kennedy of Harrisonville and John L. Kennedy of River Ridge, La.; several grandchildren; and nieces and nephews.

Three sisters and two brothers are deceased.

#### Edward W. Krenzelak

Edward William Krenzelak, 53, of Burgettstown-R.D.3 died in his home Sunday, July 1, 1984,

He was born November 26, 1930, in Canton Township, a son of Joe and

Frances Menosky Krenzelak

He was a signalman for Conrail and a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean War.

Surviving are his wife, Geraldine Clemens Krenzelak; two sons, Brian Krenzelak and Mark Krenzelak, both at home; two sisters, Judy Norkus and Violet Krenzelak, both of Salem, Ohio; four brothers, John Krenzelak, Carl Krenzelak and Chester Krenzelak, all of Washington, and Joseph Krenzelak of New Castle; and a half-brother, Walter Gosciski of Steubenville, Ohio.

We who have loved him in life, let us not forget him in death

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ARRANGEMENTS BY Hayden Funeral Hom Burgettstown, PA

#### The Twenty Third Psalm

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Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the ford for ever.

#### IN MEMORY OF

### Patricia D. Grabski

September 8, 1949

April 18, 1982

#### PLACE AND TIME OF SERVICES

James J. Darroch Funeral Home Wednesday, April 21, 1982—11:00 A.M.

#### CLERGYMAN

Rev. Ronald W. Cunningham Pastor, Baptist Temple of Aliquippa

PLACE OF INTERMENT

Mt. Prospect Cemetery Hickory, Pa.

#### ARRANGEMENTS BY

James J. Darroch Funeral Home, Inc. 2640 Mill Street Aliquippa, Pa.

## "Twenty-third Psalm"

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In Memory of
JOHN A. KELLEY

Date of Birth

NOVEMBER 23, 1905

Date of Death

APRIL 11, 1982

Services from

NEAL-COWIESON
FUNERAL HOMES, LTD.
925 ALLISON AVENUE
Washington, Pennsylvania

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14, 1982 1:30 P.M.

Clergy Officiating
REV. MICHAEL SITKO
Sharing with
REV. DANIEL FURBEE
Final Resting Place
North Buffalo Church Cemetery

## Twenty-third Psalm

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In Momory of James Kelley, Fr.

> Date of Birth July 16, 1894

Date of Death June 25, 1992

Services from William G. Neal Funeral Homes, Ltd. 925 Allison Avenue

> Saturday, June 27, 1992 1:30 P.M.

Clergy Officiating Rev. Floyd Marasco

Tinal Resting Place
North Buffalo Church Cemetery

## Clyde Kelley

Clyde Kelley, 87, of 1217 Scenic Drive, Washington, died at 9:02 p.m. Friday, November 15, 1985, in his home following a lengthy illness.

Born July 18, 1898, in Buffalo Township, he was a son of James and Catherine Elizabeth Allen Kelley.

Mr. Kelley had been a shipper for the Continental Can Co. until his retirement in 1963. He was a Protestant and served in the U.S. Army during World War I

On March 15, 1924, he married Helen M. Ross, who died June 3, 1978.

Surviving are two sons, Clyde W. Kelley of Hickory and Paul E. Kelley of Washington; three daughters, Mrs. Reese (Christina L.) Bruckner of Washington, Mrs. Paul (Helen L.) Baumgardner of Washington and Mrs. Donald (Violet M.) Byers of Claysville; a brother, James Kelley of Washington; a sister, Minnie Clemens of Hickory; 18 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a son. Dale Leon Kelley; four sisters, Kizzie Dinch, Margaret Clemens, Clara Thompson and Bess Frazee: two brothers, Jack and John Kellev: a grandson and a

great-grandson.

### Clara B. Thompson

Clara B. Thompson, 9 of 836 Buena Vista Street, Washington, died at 7:05 p.m. Saturday, Oc ober 23, 1982, in Washington Hospital Extended Care Facility.

She was born February 4, 1888, in Canton Township, the daughter of James and Elizabeth Allen Kellev.

She was a Baptist. Her husband, John W. (Bill) Thompson, died April 13, 1971.

Surviving are three sons, Bernard Thompson of Farmington, Mich., Gerald H. Thompson and David D. Thompson, both of Washington; seven daughters, Sylvia Fagan of Allen Park, Mich., Clara Aulicino of Pittsburgh, Geraldine Rutkowski and Joyce Santek, both of Cleveland, Ohio, and Rebecca Smith, Irene Poland and Ada Silvers, all of Washington: two brothers. James Kelley and Clyde Kelley, both of Washington; a sister, Minnie Clemens of Hickory; 35grandchildren, and many greatgrandchildren, great-great-grandchildren and great-great-greatgrandchildren.

Five sons, Raymond, Irvin, Roger, Armor and Clair, and a brother, John

Kelley, are deceased.

#### JOHN W. (BILL) THOMPSON

John W. (Bill) Thompson, 31, of 743 Buena Vista Street, Washington, was dead on arrival at Washington Hospital at 3:40 a.m. Tuesday, April 13, 1971.

He was born June 12, 1889, in Wheeling, W. Va., a son of Ervin and Delia Larrell Thompson.

He was a charter member of Loyal Order of Moose No. 22.

Mr. Thompson had worked for Duncan-Miller Glass Company from 1898 until 1927 as a finisher, and then was later employed by Star Mould, Machine and Foundry until his retirement in 1953.

Surviving are his wife, Clara Kelley Thompson: three sons. Bernard Thompson, Farmington, Mich., Gerald and David Thompson, both of Washington; seven daughters, Sylvia Fagan, i Allen Park, Mich., Clara Aulicino, Pittsburgh, Geraldine Rutkowski, Cleveland, Ohio, Rebecca Smith, Irene Poland, i Ada Silvers and Joyce Santek, all of Washington; 35 grandchildren and 34 greatgrandchildren. Five sons, f Raymond, Irvin, Roger, Armor and Claire, and a brother and three sisters preceded him in death.

# The Twenty Third Psalm

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IN MEMORY OF

#### CLARA B. THOMPSON

DATE OF BIRTH FEBRUARY 4, 1888

OCTOBER 23, 1982

SERVICES FROM

HUMMELL & BARNHILL FUNERAL HOME, INC. 2:00 P. M.

TUESDAY

OCTOBER 26, 1982

CLERGYMAN

REV. RAY FOSNIGHT

RESTING PLACE

WASHINGTON CEMETERY

Washington, Pennsylvania

# The Twenty Third Psalm

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## In Memory of Nelen M. Kelley

Date of Birth
SEPTEMBER 11, 1903

Date of Death
JUNE 3, 1978

Services from
HUMMELL FUNERAL HOME
TUESDAY, JUNE 6, 1978
1:00 P.M.

Officiating
REV. ROBERT G. MOYER
Final Resting Place
WASHINGTON CEMETERY
Washington, Pa.

## **Mabel Kelley**

Mabel Kelley, 94, of Euclid Avenue, Washington, died at 10:15 p.m. Thursday, April 12, 1990, in her home, following a four-day illness.

She was born June 25, 1895, in Canton Township, a daughter of James L. and Mary Isabelle Allen Roupe.

Mrs. Kelley was a member of Friendship Community Church.

On April 11, 1914, she married James Kelley Jr. They recently celebrated their 76th wedding anniversary.

Surviving, in addition to her husband, are eight sons, J. Everette, George W., Walter L., Thomas E., Samuel Charles, Edward M., John R., and David H. Kelley, all of Washington; two brothers, Raymond and Edward M. Roupe, both of Washington; 28 grandchildren, 53 greatgrandchildren, 31 great-greatgrandchildren, and five greatgreat-great-grandchildren.

Three sisters, Seena Barrett, Ethel White and Rosie Roupe; three brothers, Sam, Gilbert, and Alex Roupe; and five grandchildren are deceased



DIES — Mabel Kelley of Euclid Avenue, Washington, died Thursday, April 12, 1990. A member of Friendship Community Church, she and her husband recently celebrated their 76th wedding anniversary. She was 94.

#### JOSEPH H. BELL

Joseph H. Bell, 97½ West Chestnut Street, died Thursday, April 13, 1967, at 7 p.m.

He was born May 26, 1894, in Venice, a son of Joseph H. and

Minnie Emerich Bell.

Mr. Bell followed coal mining most of his life, retiring in 1961.

Surviving are his wife, Margaret Clemens Bell; 10 children, Harry Bell, Washington; Mrs. Helen White, Washington; Anna Mae, wife of Alvin Allen. Washington; Betty, wife of Arthur Fisher, Washington; Christina, wife of Paul Piatti, Greensburg, O.: Eva. wife of Thomas Kelley, Washington; Mary, wife of John Wesley, Columbus, Ga.: Charles Bell, John Bell and Tony Bell, all of Washington; one brother, Thomas Bell, Washington; one sister, Mary Zarvis, Cecil; 33 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. A son, Joseph H. Bell Jr. is deceased.

#### MRS. JULIUS FRAZEE

Mrs. Bessie Frazee, Cameron Star Route, Waynesburg, died in Washington Hospital at 6:35 p.m. Wednesday, April 30, 1969.

She was born in Washington County, Nov. 10, 1897, a daughter of the late James and Catherine Allen Kellev.

Mrs. Frazee had worked at the Duncan-Miller Glass plant 10 years prior to its closing.

Her husband, Julius Frazee,

died Dec. 26, 1941.

Surviving are four daughters, Marjorie Johns, Waynesburg, Ruth, wife of Russell Strawn. Washington, Gladys, wife of Glenn Cline, Avella, and Flossie. wife of Joseph Iams, Aliquippa: three sisters, Kizzie Dinch Washington R. D. 5., Clara Thompson, Washington, and Minnie Clemens, Hickory; three brothers, Clyde Kelley, Washington R. D. 6., John Kelley, Claysville, and James Kelley, Washington; 15 grandchildren and six greatgrandchilderen. Two sons, Clarence E. and Julius L. Frazee: a brother, Jackson Kelley, and a sister, Margaret

Clemens, are deceased.

## Twenty-third Psalm

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# In Memory of KIZZIE ANN KELLEY DINCH

Date of Birth July 6, 1884

Date of Death December 6, 1975

Services From
William G. Neal Funeral Home
925 Allison Avenue
Washington, Pa.

Wednesday, December 10, 1975

2:00 P.M.

Clergyman Officiating
Rev. Roy R. Wilson
sharing with
Rev. John Mark Scott

North Buffalo U.P. Church Cemetery

## in Memory of Bessie Frazee

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Surely goodness and many that follow me all the days of the Lord forever.

Date of Birth NOVEMBER 10, 1897

> Date of Death APRIL 30, 1969

Services from
ROBERT E. HUMMELL
FUNERAL HOME

SATURDAY, MAY 3, 1969 1:30 P. M.

Clergyman Officiating
REV. JOHN H. DEBOLT

Final Resting Place
WASHINGTON CEMETERY
Washington, Penna.



## JCL. IV, IM DUIL

## Willis E. Clemens

Willis E. (Bill) Clemens, 81, of West Alexander, died Tuesday, January 31, 1989, in his home.

He was born September 11, 1907, in Independence Township, a son of Edward and Margaret Allen Clemens.

Mr. Clemens was a retired machinist and had worked for the National Transit Co. in Meadow Lands.

On March 18, 1929, he married Velma Amos, who survives.

Also surviving are one son, James E. Clemens of West Alexander: three daughters, Mrs. Richard (Mary Jane) Milliken of West Alexander, Mrs. David (Dorothy) Leech of Oglebay Park, W.Va., and Mrs. William (Carol) Diamond of Beaver; one brother, Joseph Clemens of Florida; two sisters, Martha Bell and Virgie Greer, both of Washington; 17 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are five sisters, two brothers, one grandchild and two

great-grandchildren.

### Martha Dunbar Bell

Martha Dunbar Bell, 90, of 169 Church Street, Washington, died at 8:15 p.m. Thursday, March 23, 1989, in the Horizon Senior Care Center, Canonsburg, after a threemonth illness.

She was born May 12, 1898, in Washington County, a daughter of Edward and Margaret Allen Clemens.

She was Protestant, and a former member of the Salvation Army.

On June 16, 1918, she married Thomas R. Bell, who died January 16, 1970.

Surviving are two sons, Thomas J. Bell and David V. Bell, both of Washington; four daughters, Mrs. Mary Harris of Washington, Margaret Bell of West Alexander, Mrs. Matthew (Martha) Fisher of Washington and Mrs. Howard (Dorothy) Moore of Washington; one brother, Joseph Clemens of Florida; one sister, Virgie Greer of Washington; 26 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; seven stepgrandchildren; and four stepgreat-grandchildren.

Deceased are one son, Frank Bell; four daughters, Edna Bell and Christina Bell, and twin daughters who died in infancy; two brothers, Charles Clemens and Willis Clemens; five sisters, Virginia Seaman, Mandy Myers, Anna Hartzog, Eva Wolf and Margaret Bell; one grandson; and two greatgrandsons.

#### IN MEMORY OF

WILLIS E. "BILL" CLEMENS

BORN

SEPTEMBER 11, 1907

DIED

JANUARY 31, 1989

SERVICES HELD

FEBRUARY 2, 1989 2:00 P.M. FERRELL FUNERAL HOME

OFFICIATING

REV. OLIVER BURD

INTERMENT

WEST ALEXANDER CEMETERY

#### In Memory Of

#### MARTHA DUNBAR BELL

Date of Birth May 12, 1898

Date of Death MARCH 23, 1989

Services
HUMMELL AND BARNHILL
FUNERAL HOME, INC.
1:00 P.M., MONDAY
MARCH 27, 1989

Officiating REV. THOMAS E. BROWN

Resting Place
NORTH BUFFALO CEMETERY
WASHINGTON CO., PA

#### Delbert S. Seaman

# Former Claysville area carpenter was 95

Delbert S. Seaman, 95, of Claysville R.D.2, died Friday, April 3, 1992, in his home.

Born January 31, 1897, he was a son of James I. and Mary Wolfe Seaman

He was Protestant.

Mr. Seaman was a carpenter and worked for National Transit of Meadow Lands, retiring in 1962.

On September 17, 1915, he married Nellie M. Clemens, who died in 1925. Later, he married Virginia M. Clemens, who died August 26, 1986.

Surviving are a son, Wilbert Seaman of Claysville; a daughter, Ruth Chess of Claysville; two brothers, Harry Seaman of Hickory and Raymond Seaman of Brockway; two sisters, Mary Plants and Loretta Beck, both of Washington; 18 grandchildren; and 29 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are five brothers, Cecil Seaman, Willard Seaman, Wilbert Seaman, Harold Seaman and James Seaman; and three sisters, Blanche Cook, Elsie Beck and Freda Kuhn.

## Virgie M. Greer

#### Member of West Washington United Methodist Church

Virgie M. Greer, 96, of 1092 Addison Street, Canton Township, and formerly of West Spruce Street, Washington, died at 12:30 a.m. Monday, December 28, 1992, in Washington County Health Center following a two-month illness.

She was born January 21, 1896, in Buffalo Township, a daughter of William Edward and Margaret

Jane Allen Clemens.

Mrs. Greer was a homemaker and a member of West Washington

United Methodist Church.

She was twice married. Her first husband, Jenkin Ellis, died in 1957. She later married Lester Leroy

Greer, who died in 1965.

Surviving are a son, Jenkin Ellis of Lorain, Ohio; four daughters, Mrs. Henry (Clara) Pettitt of Hubbard, Ohio, Mrs. Jess (Gladys) Briggs of Washington, Grace Friend of Canonsburg and Edna Miller of Washington; a stepson, Clarence Ellis of Prosperity; 13 grandchildren; and 19 greatgrandchildren.

Deceased are a son, Ernest Ellis; six sisters; and four brothers.

#### IN MEMORY OF

Delbert S. Seaman

BORN

January 31, 1897

DIED

April 3, 1992

SERVICES HELD

2:00 PM

April 6, 1992 Ferrell Funeral Home

**OFFICIATING** 

Reverend Meade Lacock

INTERMENT

Claysville Cemetery

FERRELL FUNERAL HOME, INC.

## In Memory of Lester L. Greer

THE Lord is my Shepherd; I shall I not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord

forever.

Date of Birth JUNE 9, 1896

Date of Death AUGUST 1, 1965

Services from

ROBERT E. HUMMELL

FUNERAL HOME

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4, 1965

1:30 P. M.

Clergyman Officiating REV. FERD B. PARK

Final Resting Place
WASHINGTON CEMETERY
Washington, Penna.

#### W.L. Seaman

## Former owner of W.L. Seaman Excavating

W.L. (Duke) Seaman, 76, of Claysville, died Thursday, March 2, 1995, in Washington Hospital, following a lengthy illness.

He was born February 15, 1919, in Washington, a son of Delbert Sherman and Nellie Clemens

Seaman.

A resident of Claysville since 1951, Mr. Seaman attended Claysville Christian Church.

He was a 1938 graduate of Claysville High School and served in the U.S. Army during World War II as a private first class in the 810th Military Police Co., Pacific Theater.

He owned and operated W.L. Seaman Excavating, retiring in

He was a member and former commander of Claysville
American Legion James R. Hunt
Post 639, Claysville Community
Park Association, a former
member of McGuffey School
Board, a former Donegal
Township supervisor, member of
the former Sqaw Hollow Hunting
Club and the Claysville Fair board.

On January 4, 1941, he married Catherine Emily Scott, who

survives.

Surviving, in addition to his wife, are three sons, Thomas S. Seaman of Taylorstown and Dennis L. and Jerry W. Seaman, both of Washington; four daughters, Mrs. Michael (Catherine) Philabaum of Claysville, Mrs. Louis (Sally) Vigliotti of Burgettstown, Mrs. Jerry (Julie) Oliver and Wilnetta Seaman, both at home; 17 grandchildren; six greatgrandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a brother, Alfred Seaman; and his stepmother, Virginia Clemens Seaman.

#### Virginia M. Seaman

Virginia M. Clemens Seaman, 91, of Claysville R.D.2, died at 2 p.m. Tuesday, August 26, 1986, in her home following a lengthy illness.

Born November 9, 1894, in West Middletown, she was a daughter of William Edward and Margaret Allen

Clemens.

Mrs. Seaman was Protestant.

On January 29, 1926, in Washington, she married Delbert S. Seaman, who survives.

Also surviving are one stepson, Wilbert "Duke" Seaman of Claysville R.D.3; one stepdaughter, Ruth Chess of Claysville; two brothers, Joseph Clemens of Fayetteville, N.C., and Willis Clemens of West Alexander; two sisters, Virgie Ellis and Martha Bell, both of Washington; 18 grand-children, and 27 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are one son, Alfred Seaman, two brothers and four sis-

ters.

#### In Loving Memory of

JO HN M, ERAGER 8ORN June 25, 1957 DIED March 10, 1981

Ogentlest Heart of Jesus ever present in the Blessed Sacrament, ever consumed with burning love for the poor captive souls in purgatory have mercy on the soul of Thy departed servant. Be not severe in Thy Judgment but let some drops of Thy Precious Blood fall upon the devouring flames and do Thou O merciful Savior send to a place of refreshment, light and peace. AMEN.

May the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Abel Funeral Home
Washington, Pa.



#### In Memory of Elizabeth Priscilla Haskell

Date of Birth March 26, 1908

Date of Death August 5, 1993

Services from William G. Neal Funeral Homes, Ltd. 925 Allison Avenue

Saturday, August 7, 1993 2:00 P.M.

Clergy Officiating Rev. John Mark Scott

Final Resting Place North Buffalo Church Cemetery

#### Cline

Glenn Warren Cline Sr., 49, of Avella R.D. 2, died at 11:50 p.m. Friday, December 9, 1977

He was born in Avella July 18, 1928, a son of Forest and the late Marjorie Cline.

He had lived in the Avella area since his marriage to Gladys Frazee on April 2, 1951.

Mr. Cline was formerly employed by Blacktop Paving Co. and Hercules Inc., Drakenfeld Division.

He was a member of the Grove United Presbyterian Church, West Middletown.

Surviving are his wife, Gladys Cline; his father, Forest Cline of Avella; a daughter, Mrs. William (Carol) Golna of Washington, a son, Glenn Jr., at home; a Melissa, of Washington and a brother, Harry Eugene Cline, of Philadelphia.

A brother, Wayne, and a sister, Olive, are deceased.

### TONY ALLEN Tony Allen, of Washington, R.

D. 5, died at 6 p.m. Saturday, January 2, 1971, in Washington Hospital.

He was born November 23, 1902, in Washington County, a son of John and Birdie Allen.

Mr. Allen was a member of

the North Buffalo United Presbyterian Church and worked for Molybdenum Corp. of America for 25 years, retiring in 1967.

in 1967.
Surviving are his wife, Ida
Mae Dillie Allen; his mother,
Mrs. Birdie Myers; five sons:

Mrs. Birdie Myers; five sons: Leroy, of Washington, R. D. 5; Charles Everett, of Washington, R. D. 6; James T., of Hickory, R. D. 1; Sherman Allen, of

R. D. 6; James T., of Hickory, R. D. 1; Sherman Allen, of Washington, R. D. 5, and Lloyd M. of Washington; one daughter, Louise, wife of Glenn Powell, of Waynesburg, R. D. 2; 13 grandchildren and three grand grandchildren

2; 13 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.
A brother, Ralph, is deceased.

#### **Russell Hugh Dinch**

Russell Hugh Dinch, 76, of Claysville R. D.1 died Tuesday, April 19, 1988, in Washington Hospital following a lengthy illness.

He was born April 12, 1912, son of Harry and Kizzie Kelly Dinch.

He was formerly employed by Jessop Steel Co. He was a gardner and Protestant.

Surviving are three sons, Russell H. Dinch Jr. of Washington, Earl Dinch of Hyattsville, Md., and Kenneth Dinch of Burgettstown; one daughter, Mrs. Paul (Dorothy) Bennett of Burgettstown: one brother, Edward Dinch of West Alexander: three sisters, Laura Hatfield of Washington and Elizabeth Haskell and Rebecca Durila, both of Claysville R.D.; nine grandchildren; and eight grandchildren.

#### George W. Kelley

Retired from Jessop Steel after 50 years of service

George W. Kelley, 75, of Weirich Avenue, Washington, died at 2:20 p.m. Saturday, December 5, 1992, as the result of injuries received in an automobile accident.

He was born March 3, 1917, in Canton Township, a son of James

and Mabel Roupe Kelley Jr. Mr. Kelley was Protestant.

He was been a tool and die maker at Jessop Steel Co. in Washington for 50 years, retiring in May

Mr. Kelley was a 1936 graduate of Trinity High School and attended California State Teachers College, now California University of Pennsylvania.

He was a member of the Jessop Employees Club and United Steelworkers union Local 1141.

On February 5; 1939, he married Ethel Winona Gump, who survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Frank (Nellie) Baker of Washington, Mrs. Bruce (Rosie) Cavoti of Mesa, Ariz., and Norma Ruschell of Bethesda, Md.; seven brothers, J. Everett Kelley, Walter Lindsay Kelley, Thomas Earl Kelley, Samuel Charles Kelley, Edward Martin Kelley, John Raymond Kelley and David Henry Kelley, all of Washington; and three grandchildren, Kevin Crain, Eric Ruschell and Jason Ruschell.

Funeral arrangements will be announced by William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Alison Av-

enue, Washington.

In Memory of Russell H. Dinch

Date of Birth April 10, 1912

Date of Death April 19, 1988

Services from William G. Neal Funeral Homes, Ltd 925 Allison Avenue

> Friday, April 22, 1988 1:00 P.M.

Clergy Officiating
Rev. Roy Wilson & Rev. Lavon Holder

Final Resting Place
N. Buffalo Church Cemetery

#### Joseph P. Clemens

Joseph P. Clemens, 88, of West Palm Beach, Fla., formerly of Claysville, died Thursday, October 25, 1990, in West Palm Beach.

He was born March 11, 1902, in Independence Township, a son of William Edward and Margaret

Allen Clemens.

Mr. Clemens worked for the Valley Camp Coal Co. and the W.L. Seman Trucking Co.

On June 22, 1925, he married Ocie Myers Clemens, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Joseph E. Clemens of West Palm Beach; two daughters, Leona R. Golubosky of West Palm Beach and Connie Lou West of Palmetto, Fla.; one sister, Virgie Greer of Washington; nine grandchildren; and 14 greatgrandchildren.

Deceased are three brothers

and six sisters.

Services in the Jernigan-Warren Chapel and interment in Lafayette Park West took place in Florida.

#### Harry L. Trussell

Harry L. Trussell, 66, of 50 Church Street, Burgettstown, died Friday, May 17, 1991, in Presbyterian-University Hospital, Pittsburgh.

Born May 6, 1925, in Taylorstown, he was a son of Mae Logdson Trussell Smith of Washington and

the late John Trussell.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are two sons, Harry W. Trussell of Burgettstown and Donald Trussell of South Carolina; one daughter, Debbie Trussell of Joffre; three grandchildren; and four brothers, John W. Trussell of Claysville, George Trussell of Carolton, Ohio, Kenneth Trussell of Canonsburg and Charles Trussell of Paxton, Ohio.

Deceased are his wife, Mabel Newman Trussell; one daughter, Nancy Curtis; and one brother,

James Trussell.

#### Mabel G. Trussell

Mabel G. Trussell, 55, of 153 Baird Street, Slovan, died Friday, July 15, 1983, in Mercy Hospital, Pittsburgh.

She was born October 28, 1927, in Buffalo Village, a daughter of John and Florence Bain Newman, and had lived in Smith Township for the last 25 years.

She attended Hopewell Township schools, and was a 1945 graduate of

Trinity High School.

Surviving are her husband, Harry; two daughters, Nancy Curtis of Slovan, and Debbie Trussell at home; two sons, Harry of Burgettstown, and Donald at home; a brother, Charles Newman of Washington; and a sister, Ann Thomas of Taylorstown. There are two grandchildren. In addition to her parents, two brothers, Alvin and Earl are deceased.

#### Rena Clemens

Rena Clemens, 95, formerly of West Wylie Avenue, Washington, died at 9:35 a.m. Monday, June 1, 1987, at Dobshaw's Personal Care Home, Washington, following a six-month illness.

Born May 22, 1892, in Buffalo Township, she was the daughter of Robert and Harriett Allen Allen.

Mrs. Clemens was Protestant.

Her husband, Jasper Clemens, is deceased.

Surviving are two sons, James H. Clemens and Ivan W. Clemens, both of Washington; one daughter, Mrs. Nellie Chipps, also of Washington; two sisters, Blanche Allen and Marie Marris, both of Washington; ten grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren, and 19 great-great-grandchildren.

Deceased are one son, Kenneth Clemens; one daughter, Gertrude Clemems; four brothers, Alvin, Wilbert, Ralph, and Preston Allen; and four sisters, Laura, Hazel, Lilly, Allen and Ivy Wheeler.

In Memory Of

#### RENA CLEMENS

Date of Birth MAY 22, 1892

Date Of Death
JUNE 1, 1987

Services
HUMMELL AND BARNHILL
FUNERAL HOME, INC.
1:30 P.M., WEDNESDAY
JUNE 3, 1987

Officiating
REV. MICHAEL SITKO

Resting Place
NORTH BUFFALO CEMETERY
BUFFALO TWP., WASH. CO., PA

#### **Harry James Bell**

Harry James Bell, 68, of Hall Avenue, Washington, died at 10:50 p.m. Friday, March 4, 1988, in Washington Hospital after a lengthy illness.

He was born December 6, 1919, in Washington, a son of Joseph, Harrison and Margaret Jane

Clemens Bell.

Mr. Bell was a farmer.

He was a member of the Jefferson Avenue United Methodist Church and a member of the Senior Citizens.

Surviving are three brothers, Charles, Tony and John Bell, all of Washington; six sisters, Betty Fisher of Washington, Mrs. Thomas (Eva) Kelly of Washington, Anna Mae Allen of Washington, Helen White of Washington, Mrs. Howard (Christina) Valentine of Rogers, Ohio, and Mary Wesley of Columbus, Ga.; and several nieces and nephews.

One brother, Joseph Leroy Bell,

is deceased.

#### **Raymond Marquis**

Raymond Marquis, 83, of Hickory R.D.1, died Wednesday, May 20, 1987,

in Washington Hospital.

He was born October 16, 1903, in Woodrow, a son of Charles M. and Bessie Jeffrey Marquis. He was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Marquis worked 22 years for the P&WV Railroad and was a selfemployed painter and contractor. He was a member of the Pine Glen Hunting Lodge, Indian Springs Rod and Gun Club and the Mt. Pleasant Township Volunteer Fire Co.

He was married October 8, 1925, to

Sadie Lanier, who survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Betty Jean Bigelow of Bruceton Mills, W.Va.; one son, Charles R. (Bud) Marquis of Hickory; six grand-children; three great-grandchildren; three sisters, Mary Bresnan, Ruth Marley and Jean Mohr, all of Greenville; and two brothers, LeRoy of Greensboro, and Kenny of Cottonwood, Ariz.

Two sisters, Margaret Chapman and Belle Marquis, and three brothers, Wilson, Russell and Robert, are deceased.

#### **Theodore Testa**

Theodore Testa, 72, of Shady Avenue, Burgettstown, died Sunday, April 20, 1986, in his home.

He was born February 17, 1914, in Straights, a son of Vincenzo and An-

tonia Osso Testa

A Burgettstown resident for 70 years, he was the owner and founder of the Testa Machine Company Inc., of Slovan

Mr. Testa was a lifetime member of the Federation of Musicians of

Canonsburg.

Surviving are his wife, Margaret Hogue Testa; one son, Thomas J. Testa of Burgettstown; one daughter, Mrs. Richard (Judy) Lounder of Burgettstown; two brothers, Victor and Anthony Testa, both of Burgettstown; two sisters, Angeline Sprando of Burgettstown and Jennie Bovalina of Toronto, Ohio; four grandchildren, Richard Lounder, Patricia Lounder, Kristi Lynn Testa and Theodore J. Testa.

Deceased are three brothers and

two sisters.

#### Joseph P. Bongiorni

Joseph P. Bongiorni, 72, of Hickory and Cape Coral, Fla., died Thursday, October 23, 1986, in Orlando Medical Center, Orlando, Fla.

He was born October 16, 1914, in Slovan, a son of Frank and Mary Ann

Mosti Bongiorni.

Mr. Bongiorni was Catholic and a retired farmer.

Surviving are his wife, Rose M. Laurich Bongiorni; three sons, Joseph Bongiorni Jr. and Edward (Sonny) Bongiorni, both of Hickory R.D.1, and Robert (Bud) Bongiorni of Burgettstown R.D.3; four brothers, Eugene Bongiorni of Kansas City, Kan., Herman Bongiorni Atlasburg, Domenic Bongiorni of Boca Raton, Fla., and Edward Bongiorni of Burgettstown R.D.3; three sisters, Mrs. Edith Fillipponi of Burgettstown, Mrs. Rose Skarupa of Burgettstown R.D.2, and Mrs. Amelia (Bunny) Beard of Waynesboro, Va.; and nine grandchildren.

Two brothers, James Bongiorni and Harry Bongiorni; two sisters, Alice Tenaglia and Violet Conjeski, and one grandson, Gary Ly

Bongiorni, are deceased.

#### JOHN YAMBER SR.

John Yamber Sr., 50, proprietor of the Pleasant Valley Hotel, Hickory R. D., died Sunday. February 12, 1967, in Veterans Hospital, Pittsburgh.

He was born September 26, 1916, at Noblestown, and operated the hotel the past 14 years. He was a member of Our Lady of Lourdes R. C. Church, Burgettstown.

A veteran of World War II, Mr. Yamber was a member of Kucher Saska VFW Lodge No. 6955; the District Council of Carpenters No. 541; the Hungarian Lodge and the SNPJ Lodge.

Surviving are his wife, Mildred Laurich Yamber; three children, Sandra, John Jr. and Joseph, all at home; his mother, Bertha Yamber, of Imperial; four brothers, Andrew of Oakdale; Joseph, of Imperial; Steve, of Carnegie R. D., and Frank, of Burgettstown R. D.; and three sisters, Mrs. Joseph Klanek, of Coraopolis; Mrs. John Haser, of Moon Run, and Mrs. Alice Engel, of Bethel Park.

#### **Ida Mae Allen**

Ida Mae Allen, 83, of Hickory B.D.1, formerly of Washington B.D.5, died unexpectedly Monday, May 2, 1988, in the Hickory Manor.

She was born January 29, 1905, in West Finley Township, a daughter of Albert and Lessie Elder Dillie.

Mrs. Allen was a member of the North Buffalo Presbyterian Church.

On January 6, 1922, she married Tony Allen, who died January 2, 1970.

Surviving are one daughter. Mrs. Glen (Louise) Powell of Waynesburg: five sons, Leroy Allen of Washington, Charles Everett Allen of Washington R.D.6, James (Ted) Allen of Hickory R.D.1, Sherman Allen of Claysville R.D.1 and Lloyd M. Allen of Washington; two brothers, Raymond Dillie of West Alexander and Cletus Dillie of Claysville; two sisters, Velma Majors of Dallas, W.Va., and Helen Sprowls of the state of California: 14 grandchildren, 22 greatgrandchildren, several step-greatgrandchildren and several halfbrothers and half-sisters.

One brother, Gaylord Dillie, is deceased.

#### Leo Koraido

#### Retired from McGraw Edison

Leo Koraido, 77, of Burgettstown, died Thursday, September 8, 1994, in Washington Hospital.

He was born November 27, 1916, in Cherry Valley, a son of Michael and Mary Wozniak Koraido.

Mr. Koraido was a lifelong resident of Cherry Valley. He was a staff sergeant in the U.S. Air Force during World War II and a crew chief of airplanes mechanics.

He was a member of Hillcrest United Presbyterian Church of Burgettstown.

Mr. Koraido was a retired employee of McGraw Edison.

On June 29, 1946, he married Tillie Kapustynski Koraido, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Joseph Leo Koraido and James Koraido, both of Burgettstown; and one grandson, Michael Koraido.

Deceased are five brothers. John, Raymond, Stanley, Frank and Louis Koraido; and one sister, Bernice Torborsky.

#### Gladys M. Snedeker

Senior citizens member

Gladys M. Snedeker, 86, of Hornhead Road, McDonald, died Thursday, October 5, 1995, in her home.

She was born December 22, 1908, in Washington County, a daughter of Thomas and Mary Schafer Morrow.

Mrs. Snedeker was a member of Westland United Presbyterian Church and Houston Senior Citizens.

On March 6, 1926, she married Andrew E. Snedeker, who died March 20, 1950.

Surviving are two sons, Clifford Snedeker of Washington and Thomas Snedeker of Daisystown; two daughters, Mary Jane Engel of McDonald and Ann Pryor of Washington; a sister, Katherine Rasel of Washington; nine grandchildren; and 17 greatgrandchildren.

Deceased is a daughter, Betty Sethman.

#### Marjorie E. Johns

Eighty Four resident was retired nursing assistant

Marjorie E. Johns, 72, of Eighty Four R.D.3, died at 6:15 p.m. Tuesday, November 14, 1995, in West Penn Hospital, Pittsburgh, following a brief illness.

She was born February 12, 1923, in Washington, a daughter of Julius and Bessie Kelley Frazee.

Mrs. Johns was a retired nursing assistant at Mayview State Hospital. She was a graduate of Trinity High School.

Her husband, Leonard R. Johns Sr., was killed in World War II.

Surviving are one son, Dwight
E. Johns of Canonsburg; three
daughters, Mrs. Nelson (Maxine)
Fletcher of Moundsville, W.Va.,
Mrs. Warren E. (Sharon) Lemley
Jr. of Washington, and Mrs.
William (Diane) Franklin of Eighty
Four; three sisters, Mrs. Russell
(Ruth) Strawn of Washington,
Mrs. Gladys Cline of Avella, and
Mrs. Joseph (Flossie) Iams of
Oxford, Fla.; 15 grandchildren; and
five great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, Leonard R. Johns Jr.; two brothers, Clarence Edward Frazee and Julius Leroy Frazee; and one granddaughter, Mary ELizabeth Fletcher.

#### **Richard Smith**

Vietnam War veteran received Purple Heart

Richard A. Smith, 47, of Joffre died Wednesday, November 29, 1995, from injuries he sustained that evening in a traffic accident in front of his home.

Born March 16, 1948, in Canonsburg, he was a son of Charles W. and Norma Alloway Smith of Weirton, W.Va.

Mr. Smith was employed by Steiminger Masonry Co.

He was a corporal in the U.S. Marine Corps, having served in the Vietnam War. He was wounded in action April 19, 1968, and received the Purple Heart.

Mr. Smith was a member of
Fisher-Lonick Veterans of Foreign
Wars Post 6490 in Atlasburg,
Cherry Valley Sportsman Club,
Westland Sportsman Club, Owls
Club of Joffre and Burgettstown
Italian Club.

Surviving, in addition to his parents, are his wife, Donna M. Engle Smith; two daughters, Shellie Lynn and Jamie Suzanne Smith, both at home; a son, Timothy Richard Smith, at home; two brothers, Charles E. Smith of Hookstown and Donald E. Smith of McDonald; and two sisters, Sharon DeLong and Serenna Ellis, both of Weirton, W.Va.

## Truck strikes, kills Joffre man

A Joffre man was struck and killed by a pickup truck while crossing the road in front of his residence late Wednesday.

Richard Allen Smith, 47, of Joffre-Bulger Road was hit after he attempted to cross both lanes of traffic in front of his residence after a friend dropped him off in a car by the berm of the eastbound lane of Joffre-Bulger Road.

Smith had just left DePaul's Bar in Joffre, according to S. Timothy Warco, Washington County coroner.

Smith was hit by a light pickup truck in the westbound lane.

The accident occurred about 9:45 p.m. Warco pronounced Smith dead at 10:50 p.m.

Warco said his preliminary in-

vestigation showed no evidence that the driver who struck Smith was under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

The identity of the driver was not available from police late Wednesday.

Apparently, the driver of the vehicle which dropped off Smith continued on, unaware of the accident.

Warco said. Warco added that two witnesses saw Smith being dropped off.

Smith Township police were assisted by police from Midway, McDonald and Hanover Township.

Smith Township police were still investigating the accident, and no further information was available at press time.

#### CLIFFORD A. RIZOR

Clifford A. Rizor, Orlando, Florida, formerly of Washington, died Thursday, December 25, 1969.

He was born February 7, 1928, in Washington, the son of the late William O. and Loda J. Rizor.

Mr. Rizor is survived by a stepson, Roy Rizor, Orlando, Fla.; a stepsister, Mrs. Mary Jane McCloskey, Washington, and a stepbrother, William L. Cain, Eighty Four.

Arrangements are in charge of Hausonson Funeral Home, Orlando, Fla.

#### John K. McCarrell

Dr. John Kithcart McCarrell, 79, of Hickory, died Wednesday, August 28, 1991, in Presbyterian Medical Center, Washington.

He was born February 17, 1912, in Hickory, the son of Dr. David and Mary Kithcart McCarrell.

Dr. McCarrell was a lifelong resident of Hickory and a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church, where he had served as an elder.

He also was a member of the Fireside Club of the church.

Dr. McCarrell was a physician, serving the Hickory area from 1940 until his retirement in September 1986.

He was a graduate of Wooster College in Ohio and the University of Pittsburgh Medical School class of 1939.

Dr. McCarrell was a member of the Hickory Lions Club and the Hickory Volunteer Fire Department.

He was a former member of the Mt. Pleasant Township School Board and was board president at the time of the merger to Fort Cherry School District.

Dr. McCarrell was a member of the American Medical Association, the Pennsylvania Medical Society and the Washington County Medical Society, of which he was a former president.

On August 21, 1940, he married Tirzah Hughes, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mary Elizabeth Nunn of Charleston, W.Va., and Sally Fackelman of Alexandria, Va.; three granddaughters, Judy K. Shiflett, Janice K. Nunn and Elizabeth Ann Nunn; a sister, Sara Campbell of Prairie Village, Kan.; and a brother, James J. McCarrell of New Hope.

Deceased is a brother, David K.

McCarrell.

# Educator, historian A.D. White dies at 99



Alvin Dinsmore (A.D.) White, 99, of Hickory, an educator and local historian who wrote several books about the people and places of

northern Washington County, died Monday, July 4, 1994.

A.D. White died in Washington Hospital after having resided in a personal care home for several months.

He was born November 10, 1894, in Smith Township, a son of William C. and Elizabeth Lyle White.

The Rev. Nathaniel Roe of Washington described his friend as a "remarkable and brilliant man who was known and respected and loved by so many people."

Roe said White had a "great concern for people" and "remembered everybody by name."

Mr. White was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church and was a church elder since 1928.

He attended public schools in Smith and Cross Creek townships, graduating from Cross Creek High School in 1913. He attended Muskingum College and later received a bachelor's degree from the University of Pittsburgh. He also attended graduate school at the University of Pittsburgh and California State University.

After several years of teaching in Cross Creek Township schools, he became supervising principal of Cross Creek, Jefferson and Hopewell Township schools. Upon formation of the Avella School District in 1956, Mr. White was appointed elementary principal, the position from which he retired in

1959 after 40 years in the field of education.

In 1919, he married Laura Cooper of Hickory, who died in 1980. They had 10 children, all of whom survive. The are Alvin D. White Jr. of New Mexico, Elizabeth Banyay of Evans City, Albert W. White of New York, Mary Crozier of Florida, John M. White, Robert R. White and Richard L. White, all of Hickory, Marjorie Smith of Wisconsin, Margaret McCance of Maryland and Willard C. White of Washington; 23 grandchildren; 36 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Mr. White was the last of his immediate family. Deceased are two sisters, Mary Welch, who died in 1978, and Janet Phillips, who died in January 1994. Also deceased is a grandson, Brian White, who died in 1977 at age 7.

Mr. White was a fervent student of the history of pioneer ancestors who carved a living out of the wilderness in Western Pennsylvania. He wrote several books and articles and presented many lectures about families who settled in this area and about the history of communities in northern Washington County.

His many memberships included Sons of the American Revolution, Cross Creek Grange, Fort Vance Historical Society, Mt. Pleasant Township Historical Library Association, Washington County Historical Society, Presbyterian Historical Society, Genealogical Society of Southwestern Pennsylvania, Mt. Prospect Cemetery Association and Pennsylvania Retired Teachers Association.

In 1991, he was honored at a testimonial dinner in Avella by more than 300 friends, relatives and professional associates.

#### Chester W. Corwin Sr.

Chester W. Corwin Sr., 73, of Hickory died at 8:19 a.m. Saturday, November 9, 1985, in Washington Hospital.

He was born November 20, 1911, in Pittsburgh, a son of Charles Arthur and Bertha Murphy Corwin.

Mr. Corwin was the founder and general manager of Corwin Jeep

AMC Renault of Hickory.

He was a member of the Hickory United Presbyterian Church. He also was a member of the Pennsylvania Autombile Dealers Association and the National Automobile Dealers Association.

Surviving are his wife, Kathryn VaLelle Corwin; one daughter, Mrs. Mac (Sis) Carter of Hickory; two sons, Chester W. (Bo) and James V. Corwin, both of Hickory; one sister, Mrs. Catherine Shine of Osage, W.Va.; three brothers, Clayton and Paul Corwin, both of Morgantown, W.Va., and Tom Corwin of Fairmont, W.Va., and five grandchildren.

Two brothers, Charles Arthur Jr. and John C. Corwin, are deceased.

#### Samuel B. McMillan

Worked at Fort Pitt Bridge Works in Canonsburg

Samuel Brady McMillan, 79, of 490 Westland Road, Hickory, died Tuesday, March 23, 1993, in his home following a lengthy illness.

He was born June 15, 1913, in Hickory, son of John Hunter McMillan and Louetta Ayres McMillan.

Mr. McMillan was Protestant.

A steelworker, he was retired from the former Fort Pitt Bridge Works of Canonsburg. He was a member of United Steelworkers of America.

Surviving are his wife of 37 years, Anna Marth McMillan; a son, Samuel R. McMillan of Hickory; a daughter, Georgia Winland of Brilliant, Ohio; a brother, Alvin McMillan of McDonald: and three grandchildren, Smauel Brady McMillan, Russell Winland and Jessica McMillan.

Deceased are eight brothers and six sisters.

#### Donna R. Petka

Donna R. Petka, 39, of Eldersville Road, Avella R.D.2, died Tuesday, December 1, 1987, in the Weirton (W.Va.) Medical Center.

Born May 28, 1948, in Burgettstown, she was the daughter of Stanley F. Mozina of Burgettstown and the late Josephine Petroski Mozina.

Mrs. Petka was a bookkeeper for the Burgettstown Area School District.

She was a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Church of Burgettstown.

Surviving, in addition to her father, are one son, David M. Petka at home; one daughter, Wendy A. Petka at home, and one brother, Stanley R. Mozina of Burgettstown.

#### Dr. George A. Hoop

Dr. George A. Hoop, D.D.S., 92, of Hickory, who for the past year lived at Humbert Lane Health Care Center, died at 9:35 a.m. Friday, April 15, 1988, in Washington Hospital.

He was born November 12, 1895, in Uniontown, a son of Elmer E.

and Julia Farr Hoop.

Dr. Hoop practiced dentistry for 50 years in Avella. He was a member of the American Dental Association and the Odontological Society of Western Pennsylvania.

A 1915 graduate of Uniontown High School, he was a 1918 graduate of the University of Pittsburgh

School of Dentistry.

Dr. Hoop was a member of the Hickory United Presbyterian Church, F&AM Lodge No.45, a life member of the Syria Temple and the Consistory. He was also a member of the Hickory Volunteer Fire . Company.

He took an active interest in farming and soil conservation and was an avid hunter and fisherman.

On February 24, 1920, he married Margery Ellen Deffenbaugh,

who died in 1973.

Surviving are three sons, George A. Hoop Jr., J. Wendell Hoop and Dr. Darwin D. Hoop, all of Hickory; one brother, Robert Hoop of Point Marion; six grandchildren and six greatgrandchildren.

One son, Willard B. Hoop; two brothers, Dr. E. Paul Hoop and Thomas Hoop; and two sisters, Valeria Bucy and Frances Hoop,

are deceased.



Cowden, 21, son of Allan and Martha Long Cowden Washington R.D.1, died NATO maneuvers with Marine Corps off coast of Norway.

Cowden Sgt. Lanos Jeffrey Cowden, 21, of 201 Marie Street, Holiday Mobile Home City, Jacksonville, N.C., died of a cerebral hemorrhage while on NATO maneuvers with the U.S. Marine Corps near Norway.

According to a Marines spokesman, he was stricken while on shipboard and was taken by plane to a Nor-Hospital where he wegian

died.

Sgt. Cowden had left for the mission in early September. His remains will be returned Washington for burial

the son of Allan Martha Long He was the son of Dale and Martha Cowden of Washington R.D.1,

who survive. A 1973 graduate of Fort Cherry High School where he was a wrestler, he attended Hickory United Presbyterian Church and Western Area

Vocational-Technical School. He had been active in little league baseball, midget

football and scouting. In October 1974 he was named Marine of the Month was while in basic training at Camp LeJeune and graduated highest in his class that year from basic training.

Expert rifleman in his battalion, Sgt. Cowden participated in the Marines physical fitness program.

Surviving in addition to his parents are his widow, the former Linda L. Voorhes of Washington; one son, Robert Allan (B.C.), at home; maternal grandparents, Mr.

#### Donald Dale Miller

Dec. 3, 1935 – Jan. 27, 2009 33rd Degree Mason



Donald Dale Miller, 73, of H i c k o r y , passed away Tuesday, January 27, 2009, in his home, as a result of acute

myeloid leukemia.

He was born December 3, 1935, at home in Hickory, a son of David Freeman and Robert Jane Malone Miller.

Following graduation from Hickory High School in 1953, he traveled to Greenwich, Ohio, to become an apprentice welder. He was employed as a welder until June 2008, when his illness prevented him from working. His most recent employer was Sabina Manufacturing in Lawrence.

Mr. Miller proudly served in the U.S. Army from December 1958 through December 1960. He was recalled to active duty in September 1961, serving through August 1962, and was discharged with a rank of specialist 5th class.

He loved his Masonic Lodge

#### ALBERT F. (BERT) COLE

Albert F. (Bert) Cole, 71, of House 126, Westland, died in his home at 1 a.m. Friday, Dec. 26, 1969, following a long illness.

He was born Aug. 26, 1898, in England. He was employed at Westland Mine for 24 years, and was justice of the peace for Mt. Pleasant Township for 21 years, retiring in 1966 due to ill health.

Mr. Cole was a member of Local Union 2026, United Mine Workers of America, Fraternal Order of Eagles 687, American Legion Post 175, Loyal Order of Moose No. 22, where he held a fellowship degree, and was a veteran of World War I.

Moose No. 22, where he held a fellowship degree, and was a veteran of World War I.

He is survived by his wife, Catherine Spanogle Cole; one son, Clarence, of Washington; two daughters, Lillian Scott, Carnegie, and Mrs. Donna Thomas, Pittsburgh; five sisters, Mrs. Elsie Bornand, Washington, Mrs. Letitia Piazza, Mrs. Edith Gatscher and Mrs. Kathleen Collins, all of Detroit, Mich., Mrs. Hazel Carson, Pittsburgh, and two brothers, William Cole, Jacobsburg, Ohio, and Clarence Houskie, Battle Creek, Mich.

Also surviving are three grandchildren.

sonic affiliations included no bership in Richard Vaux Lodge 454 in Burgettstown, where he served as master in 1984 and as lodge secretary for the past 25 years; the Scottish Rite of the Valley of Pittsburgh, where he was most wise master of the Pittsburgh Chapter of the Rose Croix from 1993 to 1994; Washington Council 1 of the Royal and Select Masons; and Jacque DeMolay Commandery Knights Templar. He was coroneted a 33rd Degree Mason August 30, 2005.

Mr. Miller was a member of American Legion Post 793 in Cecil.

He was a quiet man who enjoyed nature and loved living in his hometown of Hickory.

Mr. Miller had a deep and abiding faith and was a longtime member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church.

He married Shirlene Holmes and became the proud father of Donald D. Miller II on April 1, 1966, who presently lives with his wife Janice in Cross Creek.

On October 12, 1985, he married Barbara R. Meyer, who was originally from Hamilton, Ohio. They were married for 23 years. With his wife, he lovingly and devotedly raised Helena Ryan (Nathaniel) Cleric, Liam Edward (Laura) Ryan and Louis Meyer (Karen) Ryan, alle of whom live in the surrounding area.

He received great joy from, market was originally supported by the married form of the surrounding area.

He received great joy from his five grandchildren, Valeries Miller, Cody Rankin, Louis Ryan, Lillian Cleric and te Nathalie Cleric.

Deceased is a brother, David Audley Miller.

Friends will be received from 2 to 8 p.m. Thursday and 10 to 11 a.m., the time of service, Friday, January 30, in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, with the Rev. Douglas Reinard officiating.

Burial will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. Richard Vaux Lodge 454 will hold Masonic services at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the funeral home.

Military rites will be accorded graveside by Edwin Scott Linton Post 175 of the American Legion.

Memorial contributions may be made to Washington Hospital Hospice, 155 Wilson Avenue, Washington, PA 15301, or Hickory United Presbyterian

#### Samuel J. Herriott

Samuel J. Herriott, 61, of Weirich Avenue, Washington, formerly of Hickory, died Saturday November 2, 1991, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born August 12, 1930, in Imperial, a son of the late Samuel Herriott and Beatrice Davis Herriott Miller.

He retired in 1985 from Ford Motor Co. in Cleveland, Ohio.

He had served in the U.S. Army.

Surviving are several aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

#### Elsie J. Schilinski

Retired payroll clerk was World War II veteran



Elsie Jayne Criquellion Schilinski, 73, of Blandsford Drive, Manassas, Va., formerly of Allison Avenue, Houston, died Wednesday,

July 20, 1994, in the emergency room of Prince William Hospital, Manassas, following an automobile accident.

Born July 22, 1920, at Hickory R.D.1, she was a daughter of Paul P. and Mattie Belle Mull Criquellion.

Mrs. Schilinski was employed as a payroll clerk for the Department of Public Welfare at Morganza and Western Center for 28 years, retiring in 1983.

She attended Buckhall United Methodist Church and also was a member of Westland United Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Schilinski was a charter member of the Women in Military Service for America Memorial Foundation.

A 1938 graduate of Hickory High School, she served in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps and the Womens Army Corps during World War II from 1943-1945.

On February 10, 1950, she married John Schilinski, who died February 28, 1992.

Surviving are one son, Paul Bryon Schilinksi of Manassas; one brother, Robert Criquellion of Westland; one sister, Mary Margaret Samloff of Hickory; and several nieces and nephews.

#### Julia Ann Conover

Avella native was Colliers Steel retiree

Julia Ann Conover, 63, of Houston, Texas, formerly of Avella, died Monday, September 25, 1995, in the home of her son.

She was born August 25, 1932, in Avella, a daughter of the late John and Veronica Krezanosky Gross.

Mrs. Conover worked at Colliers Steel, retiring in 1994.

On July 2, 1955, she married Paul Conover Sr., who died July 31, 1991.

Surviving are one son, Paul Conover Jr. of Houston, Texas; two grandchildren, Ross and Anna Conover; and one sister, Louise Miller of Hickory.

Deceased, in addition to her parents, are one sister, Mary Gross; and two brothers, Johnny and Thomas Gross.

Graveside services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, September 30, in St. Michael's Cemetery, with Father Pierre Sodini officiating. Arrangements are being handled by Jerome A. Stefkovich Funeral Home, Avella.

#### ALBERT F. (BERT) COLE

Albert F. (Bert) Cole, 71, of House 126, Westland, died in his home at 1 a.m. Friday, Dec. 26, 1969, following a long illness.

He was born Aug. 26, 1898, in England. He was employed at Westland Mine for 24 years, and was justice of the peace for Mt. Pleasant Township for 21 years, retiring in 1966 due to ill health.

Mr. Cole was a member of Local Union 2026, United Mine Workers of America, Fraternal Order of Eagles 687, American Legion Post 175, Loyal Order of Moose No. 22, where he held a fellowship degree, and was a veteran of World War I.

He is survived by his wife, Catherine Spanogle Cole; one son, Clarence, of Washington; two daughters, Lillian Scott, Carnegie, and Mrs. Donna Thomas, Pittsburgh; five sisters, Mrs. Elsie Bornand, Washington, Mrs. Letitia Piazza, Mrs. Edith Gatscher and Mrs. Kathleen Collins, all of Detroit, Mich., Mrs. Hazel Carson, Pittsburgh, and two brothers, William Cole, Jacobsburg, Ohio, and Clarence Houskie, Battle Creek, Mich.

Also surviving are three grandchildren.

## Willard K. Allison Jr.

Hickory postmaster and hardware merchant



Willard K. (Bud) Allison Jr., 66, of Hickory, died at 2:30 p.m. Thursday, October 5, 1995, in his home, following a twoyear battle with

cancer.

He was born January 14, 1929, in Hickory, a son of Willard K. Allison Sr. and Jane McCreary Allison.

He was postmaster in Hickory for 38 years and was a member and past president of Washington County Chapter of the National Association of Postmasters and served as its treasurer for 10 years.

Mr. Allison also owned and operated the Allison Brothers Hardware and Farm Equipment

business for 20 years.

Mr. Allison graduated from Officers' Candidate School at Fort Sill, Okla., in 1951. He served as a second lieutenant in the Second Division Artillery in Korea as a forward observer.

He was past president and a life member of Mount Pleasant Volunteer Fire Department, which he was assistant chief for

eight years

Mr. Allison was a charter member and past president of Hickory Lions Club and a recipient of the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award, the highest award in Lionism. He also directed Lion's Club plays for 20 years.

Mr. Allison was a member of the Richard Vaux Masonic Lodge, the Scottish Rite Valley of Pittsburgh, the National Association of Retired Federal Employees and

Syria Temple.

He was a member of American Legion Post 902 in Houston, the Korean War Veterans Association and Hickory United Presbyterian Church, where he served as elder for six years and deacon for three.

Mr. Allison was instrumental in acquiring the old Hickory High School building and establishing the present Community Center, for which he was serving as treasurer at the time of his death.

He helped organize the Old School House Players and directed and performed in their productions. He also preformed in several productions of Washington Community Theater.

Mr. Allison coached Little League teams and had been active in cancer drives and Friends of Scouting in Mt. Pleasant Township.

He was a 1946 graduate of



DIES - Jane Lowry Litman, 60, of Washington R.D.3, died Thursday, September 1, 1988. She was a mem-ber of the Washington County Fair Board of Directors.

## Jane Lowry Litman

Jane Lowry Litman, 60, of Washington R.D.3, a member of the Washington County Fair board, died at 11:15 a.m. Thursday, Sep-tember 1, 1988, in Washington County Health Center, following a four month illness four-month illness.

She was born August 12, 1928, in Washington, a daughter of Law-rence W. and Florence Davidson

She was the first woman elected to the Washington County Fair Board of Directors of which she served the past nine years. A member of the Grove United Presbyterian Church, West Middletown, she taught children's Sunday school and was active with the Vacation Bible School. She was a member of the Women's Missionary Society. With the Class of 1946, she grad-

uated from Hickory High School. For the past 20 years, she drove School Bus No. 7 for Mable C. Cowden and the Fort Cherry School District. She was a Pennsyl-vania Dairy Herd Improvement supervisor (milk tester) for a total

15 years.

She was a member of the Buffalo Homemakers and was on the auxili-

Homemakers and was on the auxiliary board for the Washington County Homemakers. In 1982, she received the honorary Keystone Farmer award and the honorary Chapter Farmer award in 1979.

Surviving are three sons, Larry Litman of Washington R.D.3, Donald Litman and William Litman, both of Avella R.D.2; one daughter, Mrs. Donald (Sarah) Dille of Prosperty R.D.1; five grandchildren, Michael Litman, Matthew Litman, Ren Litman, Laramey Dille and Joel Dille; also a twin sister, Mrs. George (Ann) Litman of Claysville R.D.3; two brothers, William Lowry of Avella R.D.2 and Robert Lowry of Washington-R.D.3; several nieces and ington-R.D.3; several nieces and nephews.

#### Bessie M. Carter

Bessie M. Carter, 91, of 107½ South Central Avenue, Canonsburg, died at 2 p.m. Sunday, August 4, 1985, in Canonsburg General Hospital following a six-month illness.

She was born March 8, 1894, in Coal Bluff, a daughter of Thomas and

Elizabeth Evans Williams.

Mrs. Carter was a member of the Canonsburg United Presbyterian Church.

Her husband Joseph Carter Sr. died in 1954.

Surviving are five sons, William H. Carter of Eighty Four, Joseph Carter Jr. of McDonald, Calvin Carter of Strabane, Donald E. Carter of Southview and Richard D. Carter of Bethel Park; three daughters, Mrs. Laura Kennedy of Harrisonville, Mrs. Shirley Thomas of Canonsburg and Mrs. Donna L. Mastrangelo of Canonsburg R.D.3; one sister, Mrs. Anne Thomas of Monongahela; 29 grandchildren, 29 great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter.

Two sons, Thomas Carter and George Carter, a daughter, LaVerna, and two grandchildren are deceased. GEORGE A. CARTER
George A. Carter, 46, of
Hickory, R.D.1, died at 3:30 p.m.

Hickory, R.D.1, died at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, September 10, 1969, in Washington Hospital, of injuries suffered in an accident at the Westland Mine.

He was born June 13, 1923, at Bentleyville, a son of Bessie Williams Carter, of Canonsburg, and the late Joseph Carter.

Mr. Carter was employed as master mechanic at the Westland Mine, and was also partner in Carter Brothers a Westland

Westland.

He was a member of the Westland United Presbyterian. Church where he also served as an elder. A 1941 graduate of Cecil High School, Mr. Carter was an Air Force veteran of World War II. He was a member of American Legion Post 902 and VFW Post 191.

Surviving in addition to his mother are his wife, Estella Watson Carter; two sons: George Lesley, of California, and Jeffrey Eugene, a student at West Virginia University; six brothers: William H., of Hickory, R.D.1; Joseph, of McDonald; Thomas, of Brownsville; Calvin, of Strabane; Donald, of Southview, and Richard, of Canonsburg, and four sisters: Mrs. Laverna Reeves, of Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Laura Kennedy, of Eighty Four, and Mrs. Shirley Thomas and Mrs. Donna Mastrangelo, both of Canonsburg.

rownsnip.

He was a 1946 graduate of Hickory High School, where he was president of his class and valedictorian. He attended Waynesburg, Washington and Jefferson and Bethany colleges.

On March 22, 1951, he married Betty Lou Driehorst, who survives

Also surviving are three children, Bill Allison of Hickory, W.K. Allison III of Sacramento. Calif., and Mrs. Steve (Amy) Plyler of New Castle: eight grandchildren. Jennifer and Jessica Allison, Seth, Sam and Sarah Plyler, and Nicholas, Anthony and Hailey Allison; one brother, Jay Allison of Hickory; two sisters, Mrs. Paul (Ruth) Thompson of Convent Station. N.J., and Marian Hoon of Phoenix, Ariz.

A sister, Martha Jane Allison Little, is deceased.

## Rose Dellapiazza

#### Member of St. Alphonsus Church of McDonald

Rose Dellapiazza, 72, of Hickory, died Thursday, February 10, 1994, in Washington Hospital.

She was born September 23, 1921, in Boggs, a daughter of Nicola and Maria Carrico Protoroti

and Maria Caruso Preteroti.

Mrs. Dellapiazza worked for Holiday Inn Parkway West in the housekeeping department, retiring in 1981, and was a member of St. Alphonsus Church of McDonald.

On October 16, 1946, she married Joseph Dellapiazza, who survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Richard (Flora) Gibson of Atlasburg; one brother, Bruno Preteroti of McDonald; and two grandchildren, Dawn Michelle and Clint Richard Gibson.

Deceased are one brother, Nick Preteroti; and an infant son who died at birth.

Visitation and services were private. Arrangements were handled by Nation Funeral Home Inc., McDonald.

## Seitz

George C. Seitz Jr., 59, of Hickory, died at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, February 27, 1982, in Washington Hospital after a short illness.

He was born April 15, 1922, in Swissvale, the son of Dr. George C. and Lillian Masters Seitz Sr.

He was a teacher for 34 years, most recently in the Chartiers Valley School District. He had previously taught at Hickory High School.

Mr. Seitz belonged to the Hickory United Presbyterian Church. He was a member of both the Pennsylvania State Education Association and the National Education Association. He was a veteran of World War II.

Surviving are his wife, Betty Reynolds Seitz; one daughter, Mrs. Richard (Jo Anne) Welch of Hickory; one son, David G. Seitz of Waterloo, Iowa; four sisters, Sarah Thompson of Wilkinsburg, Marion Whitfield of Chambersburg, Margaret Myers of Farmville, Va. and Georgia Pardee of Columbus, Ohio; and three grant-children, James D. Seite Heather Anne Welch and Elizzabeth Jean Welch.

# Girl Killed In Accident

A 16-year-old girl, formerly of Westland, was killed when she was thrown from her car in an accident along a secondary road, two miles west of Hickory, Saturday night.

Karen E. Stewart of Rocky River, Ohio, was taken to Washington Hospital where she died at 2:45 a.m. Sunday.

The victim was an 11th grade student who formerly attended Fort Cherry High School.

State police said she was the driver of a car that failed to negotiate a turn on Mount Pleasant Township Road 496 at 11:15 p.m. The car went off the road, traveled on the berm for 180 feet, came back onto the road and rolled over three times.

Miss Stewart was hurled from the car as it was rolling, but a passenger, Marcie L. Zinn, 15, of Westland, remained in the vehicle. She was treated and released from Washington Hospital.

Miss Stewart was the daughter of John Dennis Stewart of Eighty Four and Mary Jane Allshouse Stewart of Rocky River, Ohio. She and her mother were in the area visiting friends and relatives.

## **Addie Evalyn Kelley**

## Attended Friendship Community Church



Addie Evalyn Kelley, 85, of Washington, died Tuesday, December 26, 2006, in her 2006, in her home, following a two-year

illness.

She was born May 18, 1921, in Washington, a daughter of William Joseph and Isiminger White.

Mrs. Kelley was Protestant and attended Friendship Community Church.

She was a homemaker. On June 1, 1937, she married J. Everette Kelley, who survives.

Also surviving are five sons, James E. (Shirley) Kelley Jr. of Avella, Edward (Gerry) Kelley of Claysville, William (Nancy) Kelley of Washington, Richard "Ace" Kelley at home, and Alex W. (Bonnie) Kelley of Georgia; five daughters, Mabel Isabelle Garber of Washington, Louise (James) King of Avella, Nancy (John) Anderson of Stafford, Va., Evalyn (Robert) Sibert of Montgomery, Ala., and Mary Ellen (Don) Oatman of Washington; a sister, Lenora Taylor of Washington; and numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchil-

dren. · Deceased is a brother,

Charles White. Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, December 28, with Pastors Floyd Marasco and Rick Bruckner officiating.

Burial will follow in North Buffalo Church Cemetery.

Additional information and guest book are online www.NealFuneralHome.com.

## Barbara R. Cole

Route 19 seniors league bowler

Barbara R. Cole, 92, of Hickory, died Thursday, April 5, 2007, in Washington Hospital.

She was born November 23, 1914, in Cherry Valley, a daughter of Martin and Kathryn Pavlin Runtas.

Mrs. Cole was employed at Delphrates, Babirez Dairy, Meadowbrook Golf Course and Village Green Golf Course.

She was a member of Hickory Farm Women and Washington Senior Center and bowled in a seniors league at Route 19 Bowling Center.

On May 2, 1930, she married Leslie A. Cole, who died in 1971.

Surviving are a son, Henry (Judith) E. Cole of Lake Charles, Fla.; two daughters, Margaret Kotyk of Houston and Shirley Peterson of Niles, Ohio; 14 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; five greatgreat-grandchildren; and a sister, Julia "Jay" (Wayne) Cowden of Cherry Valley.

Deceased are three brothers, Walter, Pete and George Run-

friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., 27 Cherry Avenue, Houston, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 7, with the Rev. Douglas Reinard officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hickory United Presbyterian Church Building Fund or the charity of one's choice.

Add or view tributes at www.mcilvaine-speakmanfu-neralhome.com.



DIES - Dr. Kenneth B. Hatfield. Washington chiropractor for the past 26 years, died Monday, May 6, 1985. He was 56.

#### Kenneth B. Hatfield

Dr. Kenneth B. Hatfield, 56, of Washington R.D.1, died at 7 a.m. Monday, May 6, 1985, at Washington Hospital, following a nine-month illness.

Born in Washington April 29, 1929, he was a son of Laura B. Dinch Hatfield of Washington and the late

Earl Braden Hatfield.

Dr. Hatfield was a chiropractor who had practiced in Washington for the past 26 years.

A 1949 graduate of Trinity High School, he was a 1957 graduate of the Lincoln School of Chiropractics. In addition, he was a graduate of Eliz-abethtown College, Elizabethtown. He served with the 110th Infantry

Regiment in Germany.

Dr. Hatfield was a member of the est Christian Church of Washington. He was also a member of the American Legion of Elizabethtown, the Pennsylvania Chiropractic Society, the TPA, the Delta Tau Delta fraternity, and had been a member of the Trinity High School Band, as well as the Buccanators Club.

On June 4, 1954, he married Eileen

Ruth Cramer, who survives.

Surviving in addition to his wife and mother are one son, Kenneth B. Hatfield Jr. at home; three daughters, Cynthia Hatfield at home, Mrs. Boger David (Judy) Horne of Mrs. Roger David (Judy) Horne of Washington and Katherine Jane Hatfield at home; one sister, Mrs. Robert (Loretta) Staley of Washington R.D.1; and two grandchildren, Tara Lynn Hatfield and Tiffany Horne, both of Washington.

## Leroy Alvin Malone

Retired coal miner served in U.S. Navy

Leroy Alvin Malone, 80, of Henderson Avenue, Hickory, died Saturday, July 3, 1993, in Kade Nursing Home, Washington, after a one-year illness.

He was born November 22, 1912, in Burgettstown, a son of Henry H.

and Anna McKinney.

Before retiring, Mr. Malone was employed as a miner by Rae Mine in Hickory and Clark Coal Mine in Westland. He was a member of United Mine Workers Local 2026, District 5.

He served in the U.S. Navy

during World War II.

On July 11, 1936, he married Loretta Clark Malone, who survives. Next week, the couple would have celebrated 57 years of marriage.

Surviving are one son, Leroy W.

Malone of Washington.

Deceased are one brother, Samuel Malone.

## **Nancy Lee Curtis**

Nancy Lee Trussell Curtis, 35, of 50 Church Street, Burgettstown, died Thursday, March 10, 1988, in the Weirton (W.Va.) Medical Center.

She was born October 20, 1952, in Taylorstown, a daughter of Harry Trussell of Slovan and the late Mabel G. Newman Trussell.

Mrs. Curtis was a member of the Presbyterian Church in

Taylorstown.

Surviving are her husband, Richard Curtis of Burgettstown; a sister, Debbie Trussell of Joffre; two brothers, Harry Wayne Trussell of Midway and Donald Trussell of North Carolina.

#### Deanna L. Duchi

Washington woman was active in community

Deanna L. Duchi, 52, of Bench Avenue, Washington, died Sunday, March 21, 1993, in her parents' home following a lengthy illness.

She was born February 16, 1941, in Washington, a daughter of Jeff J. and Gladys M. Briggs Jr. of Washington.

She was a member of First United Presbyterian Church, where she was a Sunday school teacher. She was a graduate of Canon-McMillan High School and retired from CPI Photo as a clerk.

She was an avid craftswoman, rollerskating judge, den mother of Cub Scouts Pack 1004 and Girl Scout leader. She also was a member of Pythian Sisters Lodge 172 and the Dames of Malta.

Surviving, in addition to her parents, is one son, John Duchi of Baton Rouge, La.

#### Clare M. White

Retired farmer and elder at Hickory U.P. Church

Clare M. White, 93, of Testa Road, Hickory, died Monday, December 9, 1996 in Washington Hospital.

He was born June 15, 1903, in Hickory, the son of John P. and Mary Anne Miller White.

Mr. White was a retired dairy

famer.

He was a member of the Hickory United Presbyterian Church, where he served as an elder, clerk of session, and for 11 years, church treasurer.

Mr. White was a 1921 graduate of Mt. Pleasant Township High School. He attended Iowa State University, where he received a bachelor of science degree in 1925 and his master's degree in 1926, both in agricultural engineering.

He had also taught for Cecil, Avella and Hickory high schools.

On August 2, 1929, he married Helen Louise Trenary, who survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Dorothy Wingert, of Warren; three sons, William White of Cochranton, Samuel White of Poland, Ohio and George White of Houston; nine grandchildren and 13 greatgrandchildren.

Deceased are five brothers,
James McCalmont White, J.
Thompson White, Edward White,
Roland White and John Parker
White; two sisters, Mary E.
White and Elizabeth White; and a
great-granddaughter.

#### HIRAM EDWARD REEDY

Hiram Edward Reedy, 65, of Hickory R. D. 1, was dead on arrival at Washington Hospital Tuesday, April 8, 1969, at 4:10

He was born July 19, 1903, at Island Run, a son of Wesley and Emma Hanenkrat Reedy. An auto mechanic his entire life, he had operated Reedy's Garage at Hickory since 1951. He was a member of the

Hickory United Presbyterian Church. He was married June 10, 1925, to Myrtle Alice Marquis, who

survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Elaine, wife of John T. Caldwell, and one son, William E., both of Hickory; four brothers, Lester, of Hickory R. D. 1; Samuel, of Washington; Arthur, of Zanesville, Ohio, and Clair, of Taylorstown; two sisters, Mrs. Minnie Cook, of Hickory, and Mrs. Mae Ray, of Lone Pirte, and six grandchildren.

A sister, Edna, died at the age of three.

#### ROGER G. THOMPSON

Roger G. Thompson, 737 Wayne Street, died in the Presbyterian - University Hospital, Pittsburgh, Tuesday, March 1, 1966.

He was born March 22, 1921, in Washington, the son of John W. and Clara Kelley Thompson.

He had been employed as an operator at the Metro Glass Company until illness forced his retirement.

retirement.

Surviving are his wife, Patricia Carlton Thompson; and the following children, Patricia Brewer, Robert, Rebecca, Connie Roger David Cindy Can

nie, Roger David, Cindy, Candice, Thomas Thompson, all at home; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Thompson, Washington: four brothers, Bernard

ington; four brothers, Bernard, Detroit, Michigan, Armour Gerald, and David, all of Washington; six sisters, Sylvia Fagan, Detroit, Clara Aulicino, Pittsburgh, Geraldine Rutkowski, Cleveland, Rebecca Smith, Irene Poland, and Ada Silvers.

Detroit, Clara Aulicino, Pittsburgh, Geraldine Rutkowski, Cleveland, Rebecca Smith, Irene Poland, and Ada Silvers, all of Washington. Three deceased brothers are Clair, Irvin, and Raymond.

#### Robert E. Strike

Robert E. Strike, 71, of Edgewood Avenue, Washington, died at 9:56 p.m. Wednesday, May 30, 1990, in Washington Hospital.

He was born March 20, 1919, in Houston, a son of Jacob E. and Gertrude Dean Strike.

He was employed as a custodian at Western Center until retiring in October 1982.

Mr. Strike was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church, where he was a ruling elder and a Sunday school teacher, and was a charter member of the Mt. Pleasant Volunteer Fire Department, where he was a lieutenant and captain.

On March 3, 1945, he married Helen Moore Strike, who survives.

Also surviving are one son, Robert V. Strike of McDonald; two daughters, Mrs. W.R. Alice May (Sue) Eichelberger Jr. of Washington, and Mrs. George (Debbie) Micik Sr. of Washington; one sister, Sarah Sickles of Washington; eight grandchildren, Robbie and Justin Eichelberger, Christina, Michelle and Brian Strike, and George Jr., Joshua and Helen Micik.

Deceased are one brother; one sister; and one grandson, Stephen Eichelberger.

## Virginia Caldwell

Virginia (Aunt Ginny) Caldwell, 80, of McDonald, died Friday, Febru-

ary 6, 1987, in her home.

She was born August 20, 1906, in Hickory, daughter of Joseph Milton and Flora Ella Jane McCarrell Caldwell

Miss Caldwell was a 1927 graduate of California Normal School, now California University of Pa. She was a former schoolteacher, retiring in 1971 after having taught elementary school in the Hickory area for 44 vears.

She was a member of Mt. Prospect United Presbyterian Church, Hickory, and was a member of the Heany Memorial Sunday school class of Trinity United Presbyterian Church, McDonald.

Surviving are seven nieces and nephews, Donald Campbell of Aliquippa, Doris Jean Cowden of Mc-Donald, Richard D. and William C. Campbell, both of Hickory, Jane Popeck and David Davis, both of Washington, and Josie Crumling of Wrightsville, Pa.; 19 great-nieces and nephews; and six great-great-nieces and nephews.

Two brothers, William Howard Caldwell and Donald Milton Caldwell; two sisters, Florella McCarrell Campbell and Lois Davis one nephew, Robert Campbell; and one great-great-nephew, Bryce

Campbell, are deceased.



DIES — Elizabeth Mae Durbin Briggs of Washington R.D.1 died Saturday. She was 100 years old.

## Elizabeth Briggs Elizabeth Mae Durbin Briggs, 100,

of Washington R.D.1, died at 10 a.m. Saturday, September 21, 1985, in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ethel Null, following a brief illness. Born November 27, 1884, in

Born November 27, 1884, in Hopewell Township, Greene County, she was a daughter of George and

Clarinda Funk Durbin.

She was a Protestant and spent most of her life in the Hickory area.

In 1914, she married Andrew Briggs, who died in October 1957.

Surviving are one son, David Kenneth Briggs of Washington R.D.1; three daughters, Mrs. Ethel Null and Mrs. T.L. (Roberta) Alrutz, both of Washington R.D.1, and Mrs. Dorothy Johnson of Claysville R.D.3; one sister, Velma Durbin of Washington R.D.5, 14 grandchildren and 35 greatgrandchildren.

Deceased are one daughter, Georgia Powell, one great-great-grandson, Thomas Ryan, two sisters, Anna and Wilmetta Durbin, and three brothers, Oliver, William and George Durbin. Six additional brothers and sisters died in infancy.



**DIES** — Nicholas Pavkovich, 63, of Amity R.D.1, formerly of Washington, died Saturday, December 22, 1990. He was a 24-year employee of K mart and a former country music singer.

## Nicholas Pavkovich

Nicholas Pavkovich, 63, of Amity R.D.1, formerly of Washington, died at 2:05 p.m. Saturday, December 22, 1990, in his home after a four-year illness.

He was born November 27, 1927, in Washington, a son of the late George and Rose Posegay Pavkovich.

Mr. Pavkovich was last employed at the K mart in Washington before taking a medical retirement in 1987. He was employed there for 24 years.

He previously was employed at Hazel-Atlas Glass Co. Plant No. 1, and for many years sang country music with Lew Wade and the Radio Pals, and with Roy Scott.

He was a member of the Amity United Methodist Church.

In February 1945, he married Elizabeth Marie Yerman Pavkovich, who survives.

Also surviving are one son, Larry Pavkovich of Gainesville, Ga.; two daughters, Linda Marie Sprowls and Cathy Pavkovich, both of Washington; two brothers, Steve Pavkovich of Niles, Ohio, and Frank Pavkovich of Bainbridge, Ga.; six sisters, Ann Abajace, Rose Ross, Barbara Nicolella, Nancy Wilson and Kay Brownlee, all of Washington, and Helen Irey of Orlando, Fla.; and six grandchildren.

Deceased are one sister, Mary Strawn; and two brothers, Joe and John Pavkovich.

## James E. Kelley III

1982 Avella H.S. graduate James Everett (Bodie) Kelley III, 32, of Severn, Md., died Saturday, December 7, 1996, in Washington, D.C.

He was born March 24, 1964, in Washington, a son of James Everett Jr. and Shirley Ann King

Kelley of Avella.

Mr. Kelley was employed by G.T.C.O. Corp. and was a member of Grace Bible Church of West Middletown.

He was a 1982 graduate of Avella High School and attended Slippery Rock College for four years.

Surviving in addition to his parents are three sisters, Patti Jean Riggs of Wellsburg, W.Va., Penny Lynn Closser of Claysville and Mary Margaret Stoey of Waterfall; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Kelley of Washington; maternal grandmother, Mary King of Avella; and two nieces and a nephew.

Additional arrangements will be announced by the William G. Neal Funeral Home Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington.

#### Walter L. Marcott

Walter L. Marcott, 64, of Hickory R.D.1 died Friday, September 14, 1990, in St. Clair Memorial Hospital, Mt. Lebanon.

He was born June 8, 1926, in Cross Creek Township, a son of Silvio and Eleanor Vergellesi Marcott.

Mr. Marcott served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

He worked for over 30 years as a well driller, retiring in 1984.

He has lived in the Hickory area since 1949.

On August 9, 1946, he married Kathryn Monticello, who survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Anita Marcott Riley of Farmington Hills, Mich.; one brother, Henry Marcott of Rea; and one granddaughter, Denise Riley.

Deceased are two daughters, Mary Beth Marcott and Victoria Lynn Marcott.

Funeral services will be private.

Family suggests memorial contributions to the American Cancer Society or the Washington County Hospice Care.

#### **Peter Scariot**

Peter Scariot, 60, of Joffre, died Wednesday, April 10, 1985, in his home.

Born May 28, 1924, in Joffre, he was a son of Angelo and Anna Scopel Scariot.

At the time of his death, he was employed by the Massarro Construction Co., Pittsburgh. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

Surviving are his wife, the former Thelma Armagost; three sons, Peter A. Scariot and Willis A. Scariot, both of Langeloth, and Michael Scariot of Burgettstown; one daughter, Lavonna Mroczkowski of Langeloth; eight grandchildren; two brothers, Tony Scariot of Atlasburg and Angelo Scariot of Joffre; and two sisters, Pauline Labishak of Bulger and Mary Zak of Pittsburgh.

Two sisters, Stella and Emma, and one brother, Albert Scariot, are de-

ceased.

## Blanche S. Gorby

Blanche Shirlene Gorby, 52, of 180 Point View Drive, Washington, formerly of Hickory, died at 10:50 p.m. Saturday, January 12, 1985, in Washington Hospital, following a long illness.

Born December 25, 1932, in Detroit, Mich., she was a daughter of Violet Majewski Holmes of Washington and the late H.L. (Dutch) Holmes.

On June 21, 1983, she married William E. Gorby,

who survives.

Mrs. Gorby was last employed as a seamstress for Bobby Brook Co. and had formerly worked for Hazel-Atlas Glass and Brockway Glass.

She was a 1949 graduate of the Washington High

School. She was a Catholic.

Surviving, in addition to her husband and mother, are one son, Donald D. Miller II of Hickory; one stepson, William C. Gorby of Washington; one brother, Harry L. (Cappy) Holmes Jr. of Washington; one sister, Mrs. Ralph (Bette) Vanucci of Flint, Mich., and a niece and four nephews.

## Helen L. Baumgardner

Had formerly worked at Hazel Atlas Glass Plant 2

Helen L. (Honey) Baumgardner, 62, of Scenic Drive, South Franklin Township, died at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, June 9, 1996, in her home following a 19-month illness.

She was born January 21, 1934, in Buffalo Township, a daughter of the late Clyde and Helen M. Ross Kelley.

Mrs. Baumgardner was a homemaker and had earlier worked at the former Hazel Atlas Glass Plant No. 2.

She was affiliated with the Liberty United Methodist Church and was formerly of member of the Washington County Bottle Club and a volunteer for 4-H.

On December 28, 1953, she married Paul H. Baumgardner, who survives.

Also surviving are four daughters, Mrs. Buck (Debbie)
Moriarty, Mrs. Rodney (Pam)
Maze and Mrs. Ray (Kim) Sifinski, all of Washington, and Mrs. Joe (Judy) Oliverio of Mims, Fla.; two brothers, Clyde William Kelley of Hickory and Paul E. Kelley of Hamilton, Ohio; two sisters, Mrs. Reese (Christine) Bruckner of Washington and Mrs. Donald (Violet) Byers of Claysville; and three grandchildren, Jason Whipkey and Jenny and Roddy Maze.

A brother, Dale Leon Kelley, is deceased.

At the request of the deceased, private services will be held at the convenience of the family.

The family suggests memorial contributions be made to Hospice of Washington County Inc., 42 West Maiden Street, Washington.

#### Dorothy W. Neal

Dorothy Walker Neal, 78, of Hickory R.D.1, died at 9:15 a.m. Saturday, June 30, 1984.

She was born September 16, 1905, in Valier, a daughter of Richard G. and Gertrude Means Walker. She was a Methodist.

Mrs. Neal was formerly a member of the Hickory Farm Women's Club.

On July 28, 1924, she married William G. Neal Sr., who died July 15, 1980.

Surviving are three sons, Richard W. Neal of Cadiz, Ohio, William G. Neal Jr. of Washington and James Dee Neal of Hickory; 10 grand-children; 10 great-grandchilden; and several nieces and nephews.

A brother, Dr. Robert M. Walker, and a sister, Eleanor Leach D'Amico,

are deceased.

#### Bertha A. Ward

Bertha A. Ward, 65, of Avella R.D.2 died at 9:10 a.m. Sunday, April 28, 1985, in Washington Hospital.

She was born November 7, 1919, in Bertha Mine, a daughter of Perry W. and Anna Mae Schmidt Freshwater.

She was a resident of Avella for 39 years and was a member of the Avella Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Ward had served as secretary for the Avella American Legion Bert C. Siders Post No. 643 Ladies Auxilliary and was an election judge for Precinct No. 2, Cross Creek Township.

On December 24, 1936, she married George Ward, who died January 27,

1984.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Earl (Shirley) Dinch of Bladensburg, Md., and Mrs. Cleo Latshaw of Mc-Donald; nine sons, George P. Ward of Langeloth, James Ward of McDonald, William W. Ward of Carmichaels. Gary Ward of Avella R.D.2. Kenneth Ray Ward of Houston, Henry J. Ward of Avella R.D.2, David Ward of Bavington, Tommy Ward of Greenbelt, Md., and Fred Ward of Avella R.D.2; one brother, Perry W. Freshwater of McDonald R.D.1; two sisters, Viola Diamond of Langeloth and Eleanor Bender of Slovan, 26 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

A one son, Wayne, and a sister, Helen DeBaker, are deceased.

#### Glenn O. Bedillion

Glenn O. Bedillion, 61, of Mc-Donald R.D.4 died at 4:15 p.m. Thursday, May 5, 1988, in the Weirton (W.Va.) Medical Center.

He was born November 10, 1926, in Mt. Pleasant Township, a son of William K. and Eva McCloskey

Bedillion

Mr. Bedillion was employed by the Hickory Feed Mill.

During World War II, he served

in the U.S. Navy.

A lifelong resident of the Hickory area, he was a member of the Midway VFW and the Cherry

Valley Sportsmen's Club.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. David (Donna) Reedy of Denver, Colo., Glenda Trussell of Matthews, N.C., and Barbara Bedillion of Denver; one son, Robert Bedillion of Cromwell, Conn.; two sisters, Mrs. Ralph (Ruth) Dias of Brighton, Mich., and Mrs. James (Wilma) Nunn of Hickory; one brother, Warren Bedillion of Rea, and five grandchildren.

#### William E. Gorby

William E. Gorby, 58, of 180 Point View Drive, Canton Township, died at 2:45 a.m. Monday, April 29, 1985, in his home following a lengthy illness.

Born January 9, 1927, in Washington, he was a son of Kate Gallagher Gorby of Washington, who survives,

and the late William Gorby.

He served with the U.S. Navy during World War II and with the Army's 28th Division during the Korean conflict.

In 1982, he retired as a buyer from Jessop Steel Co., Washington, where he had been employed for 26 years.

For the past seven years he owned and operated Washington Amusement Co.

He was formerly a constable in Canton Township.

Mr. Gorby was a member of American Legion Post No. 175, Arms Club of Washington, Alpine Club and Jessop Employees Club.

His wife, Blanche Shirlene Gorby,

died January 12, 1985.

Surviving in addition to his mother are one son, William C. Gorby of Washington; one stepson, Donald D. Miller of Hickory; four sisters, Mrs. Willis (Loretta) Henry of Chapin, S.C., Mrs. William (Margaret) Lindsay and Juanita Sensky, both of Washington, and Mrs. Michael (Sylvia) Altieri of Meadow Lands, and several nieces and nephews.

One brother. Charles Francis (Fats) Gorby, is deceased.

## Stanley Bednarzik

Stanley (Newt) Bednarzik, 72, of Bulger, died Tuesday, November 7, 1989, in The Washington Hospital.

He was born November 23, 1916, in Beaver Falls, a son of John and

Agnes Bednarzik.

Mr. Bednarzik retired after 30 vears of service as a grinder from Universal Cyclops Steel in Bridgeville.

He was a member of St. Ann Roman Catholic Church in Bulger.

His other memberships included the SNPJ Club of Midway, the Veterans of Foreign Wars clubs in Bulger and Midway and the Sportsmen's Club of Cherry Valley.

On September 23, 1939, in St. Alphonsus Church in McDonald, he married Helen Chestnut, who survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Victoria Hucko of Peters Township; two sons, Thomas Bednarzik of Philadelphia and Dr. Robert Bednarzik of Columbia, Md.; three sisters, Frances Stopenski of Bulger, Laura Morra of Burgettstown and Viginia Tarhalla of Bulger; and six grandchildren.

One brother, Walter Bednarzik, is deceased.

#### Jacob E. Nelson

Jacob E. Nelson, 87, of Hickory, formerly of 356 Beacon Avenue, Washington, died Thrusday, November 23, 1989, in the Presbyterian Medical Center, Washington, after a short illness.

Born February 13, 1902, in Bristoria, Greene County, he was a son of George Whitfield Nelson and Lucy L. Patterson Nelson.

He was a member of First Christian Church of Washington and worked for Columbia Gas Co. in the oil field as a worker and rigger. He was a farmer and member of the Century Club of Columbia Gas.

On August 28, 1928, he married Iris E. Majors, who survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Madaline Cathers of Las Vegas, Nev., Mrs. Joseph (Frankie) Keene of Hickory, and Mrs. Dale (Helen) Watkins of Reno, Nev.; one brother, Walter Nelson of Holbrook; two sisters, Mrs. William (Genevieve) Perry of Eastview, and Betty Lee Knapp of Miami, Fla.; eight grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Deceased are three brothers, Ralph W. Nelson, James L. Nelson and Whitfield Nelson.

#### Donna L. Zalaznik

Donna L. Zalaznik, 60, of Bulger, died Friday, January 12, 1990, in Mercy Hospital, Pittsburgh.

Born July 8, 1929, in Primrose, she was a daughter of the late Frank and Frances Pintar Nagode.

Mrs. Zalaznik was a member of

St. Ann Church in Bulger.

On January 27, 1951, she married Donald Zalaznik, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Donald Zalaznik and Dennis Zalaznik, both of Bulger; two daughters, Diane Zalaznik and Debra Zalaznik, both of Bulger; one brother, Donald Nagode of McDonald; and six grandchildren.

#### **Mervin Williams**

Mervin Williams, 55, of Atlasburg, died at 10:47 p.m. Wednesday, November 8, 1989, in Washington Hospital.

Born January 4, 1934, in New Matamoras, Ohio, he was a son of the late Gilbert and Mae Moore Williams.

He was worked for American Bridge (a division of USX Corp., formerly U.S. Steel), for three years before taking over William's Garage in Atlasburg, which he owned and operated for 34 years.

Mr. Williams lived in Atlasburg since 1942.

He was a member of the Moose Lodge of Washington, the Knights of Pythias Lodge 204 of Canonsburg, Polish National Alliance Group 1870 of Slovan, Polar Star Mutual Benefit Society of Avella, the Small Business Association, and the Burgettstown Chamber of Commerce.

On July 4, 1955, he married Josephine Spataro, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. James (Stephanie Williams) Lindenberger of Erie and Mrs. Michael (Denise) Young of Atlasburg; three granddaughters, Elyssa, Ashley and Marah Lindenberger; and two sisters, Mrs. Albert (Betty) Stefkovich of Avella and Mrs. Evelyn Bingiel of Atlasburg.

Deceased is one sister, Grace Mae Williams.

Dorothy A. Orrick

Dorothy A. Orrick, 70, of 334 North Central Avenue, Canonsburg, died in the Canonsburg General Hospital Monday, July 11. 1988, at 9:15 a.m.

She was born in Pittsburgh June 4. 1918, the daughter of Isaac Taylor and Lucy Kinemond Wil-

liams.

Mrs. Orrick was a lifelong resident of the Hickory-Canonsburg area and a 1937 graduate of Hickory High School and the Pittsburgh Beauty Academy. She was also a member of the Canonsburg United Presbyterian Church.

Her husband, Colby W. Orrick, died January 17, 1974.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Richard (Linda) Springfield of Canonsburg, Mrs. Charles (Janice) Greene of Graysville and Mrs. Robert (Mollie) Metts of Cecil: one son, Colby Wesley Orrick Jr. of Canonsburg; one sister, Mrs. William (Wilma) Porkolab of Mercer; one brother, Ray Clifford Williams of Hickory; five grandchildren, Brenda Springfield, Richard Springfield Jr., Charles Greene III, Dennis Greene and Colby Wesley Orrick III.

Deceased are one brother, John T. Williams, who was killed in action in France in World War II: and one grandson; Kenneth Mark Greene.

### JOSEH PRIBISH

Joseph Pribish, 50, of Avella R. D. 1, died unexpectedly Tuesday, April 8, 1969, at 4:15 p.m. at his home.

He was born March 8, 1919, at Coral, Indiana County, a son of John and Anna Bokosh Pribish, and lived in the Avella community since 1924. He was a veteran of World War II.

Mr. Pribish was a member of Bert C. Siders American Legion Post 643 and was post; a member of the Polar Star Society and AFL - CIO Local 833.

Surviving are his wife, Emma

Valdiserri Pribish; one son, Joseph Michael, at home; three brothers, John and Steve, both of Avella, and Mike, of Weirton, W. Va., and three sisters, Mary, wife of Edward Takima, of Coraopolis; Anna, wife of Harry Sarnicke, of Atlasburg, and Sue, wife of John Rencheck, of Avella.

## Joseph G. Matesic Sr.

Joseph G. Matesic Sr., 61, of Burgettstown R.D.3 died Saturday, August 19, 1989, in Weirton (W.Va.) Medical Center.

He was born November 10, 1927, in Slovan, a son of George and Mary Bishop Matesic.

He was an engineer for Weirton Steel and was a member of St. Peter and Paul Church in Cherry Valley.

Surviving are his wife, Josephine Matesic of Burgettstown; two sons, Joseph Matesic and John Matesic, both of Burgettstowm; one daughter, Rosalie Ringer of Hickory; three sisters, Clara Becki and Mary Rogowski, both of Pittsburgh, and Catherine Grubor of Weirton, W.Va.; and three grandsons.

Deceased are four brothers and two sisters.

### Albert W. Russell

Albert William (Ab) Russell, 74, of 1290 Wilna Street, Washington, died at 11 a.m. Friday, July 10, 1987.

Born March 22, 1913, in Hollidayscove W.Va., he was a son of William A. and Effie Earnest Russell.

He was a member of the North Buffalo United Presbyterian Church where he had served as a trustee.

Mr. Russell was employed as a machinist for the past 18 years at McGraw-Edison. He was a member of the United States Steel Workers Local No. 3968.

In 1934 he married Rose Clemens,

who died in 1949.

He is survived by his wife, Ethel A. Clemens, whom he married in 1950; five sons, Charles Russell and Harold Russel both of Washington, Albert L. Russell of Avella R.D.1, Gaylord Russel of Oildale Calif., and Howard Russell of Canonsburg; five daughters, Florence Sifert, Mrs. David (Betty) Torböli, Mrs. Robert (Louis) Weaver and Mrs. Wayne (Darlene) Elliott, all of Washington, and Mrs. Frank Clara Turk of Westland; one sister, Mrs. Zelda Bowen of Oildale, Calif.; 22 grandchildren; and eight greatgrandchildren.

Deceased are five brothers, Clarence Russell, George Russell, Herman Russell, and two who died in infancy; three sisters, Olive Beabout, Marie Craig and Effie Riley; and two

grandchildren.

## Bernice Beaumariage

Bernice Bell Carter Beaumariage, 78, of Hickory, died of 2:30 p.m. Thursday, April 3, 1986, in Canonsburg General Hospital following a 10day illness.

She was born May 15, 1907, in Mount Pleasant Township, a daughter of Robert Frederick and Lina E.

Mitchell Bell.

Mrs. Beaumariage was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church, and had served as a ruling elder in the church. She had been an elementary school teacher, having taught in Cecil Township, Cross Creek Township, Canon-McMillan School District, and the last five years in the Fort Cherry School District.

She graduated from Hickory High School in 1924 as valedictorian, and Muskingum College, New Concord,

Ohio, in 1926.

She was a member of the state and national Retired Teachers' Associations, Mount Pleasant Society of Farm Women, the Women's Missionary Society of the church and the Fireside Club.

After retirement from teaching she served as a companion to the

elderly.

She was twice married, first to Clarence E. Carter on June 11, 1931. He died on January 30, 1970. On July 31, 1971, she was united in marriage to Jules N. Beaumariage, who died August 1, 1971.

Surviving are three sons, Robert L. Carter and Elden D. Carter, both of McDonald R.D.4, and Larry G. Carter of Avella R.D.2; a daughter, Mrs. Harry R. (Gayle) McDonald of Washington R.D.4; three stepdaughters and nieces, Mrs. Donald (Patricia) Rhodes of Monroeville, Mrs. Bernard (Phyllis) Flynn of Washington and Mrs. Wendell (Nancy) Pryor of Eighty Four R.D.3; a sister, Mrs. Oakley (Volena) Lighthizer of Summerfield, Fla.; a brother, Denny N. Bell of Rogue River, Ore.; 11 grandchildren, seven step-granchildren, seven great-grandchildren and three step-great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a stepson and nephew, Gerald Wayne Beaumariage, and two sisters, Mary Beaumariage and Roberta Beaumariage.

## Nora M. Phillips

Nora M. Phillips, 65, of Hickory, died Wednesday, March 18, 1987, in

Washington Hospital.

She was born November 9, 1921, in Erie Mine, a daughter of Wilbur Lee and Nora Virginia Moore. She retired from the Hickory Post Office in 1981.

She was a member, Sunday school superintendent and former elder of Hickory United Presbyterian Church and a member of the church women's association. She was secretary-treasurer of the Mt. Prospect Cemetery Association, and a charter member and historian of the Hickory Lioness Club.

On December 15, 1950, she married Joseph Clark Phillips, who died September 22, 1971.

Surviving are a daughter, Lois M. Phillips, at home; a son, Thomas L. Phillips of Hickory; two grand-daughters, Melissa A. and Amy L. Phillips; five brothers, Wilbur A. Moore of Hickory, Samuel T. Moore of McDonald, Charles E. Moore of Burgettstown, Harry P. Moore of Clarington, Ohio, and William H. Moore of Fredonia; three sisters, Alma L. Schwab of Burgettstown, Mary L. Wilson of Hickory and Martha Jane Briggs of Burgettstown.

## Nettie C. Langenheim

Nettie Cain Langenheim, 85, of Waynesburg R.D.1, died Wednesday, May 31, 1989, in Greene County Memorial Hospital, after being ill for the past month.

She was born February 10, 1904, in Washington County, a daughter of John and Rosie Fields Cain.

Mrs. Langenheim lived her early life in Washington and resided for 36 years in Burgettstown. She was a resident of Greene County for the last 10 years.

She was a member of the Hickory United Presbyterian Church. She was a housewife.

Her husband, Leroy E. Langenheim, died April 25, 1981.

She is survived by two sons, James Robert Plymire of Hudson, Fla., and Paul Kenneth Plymire of Newburg, Md.; seven grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; three sisters, India Mae Pettit of San Leandro, Calif., Violet Cain of the state of California and Virginia Farabee of Washington; and a brother, John Fields of Waynesburg.

Deceased are an infant daughter, Ruth; two sisters, Blanche Antill and Sylvia Fields; and five brothers, George, James, Robert and Arthur Fields and Paul Cain.

#### FLORA DINCH

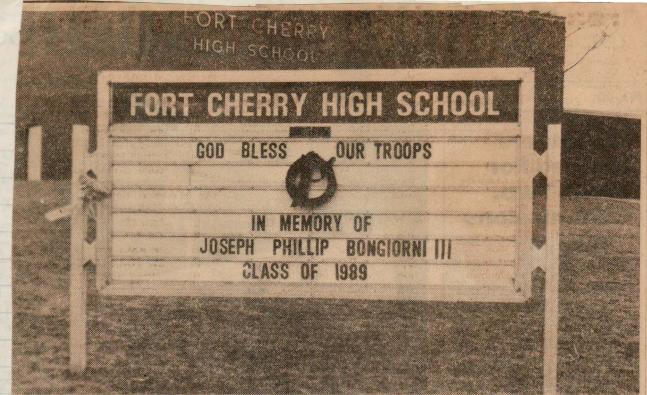
Flora Lee Dinch, 90, of West Alexander R. D. 1, died Wednesday, December 24, 1969, at 8 a. m. in Millers Rest Home, Claysville.

She was born August 26, 1879, in Washington, a daughter of John and Elizabeth Bedillion Allen.

Her husband William, whom she married in 1905, died in 1960. Surviving are two sisters:

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Five brothers and three sisters are deceased.



Fort Cherry High School pays tribute to almunus Spc. Joseph P. Bongiorni III.

# Bongiorni Remembered At Fort Cherry

By Liza Northrop and Dave Molter

A lone trumpet played "Taps" Thursday at Fort Cherry High School in memory of a fallen soldier in the Persian Gulf War, a young man who was well known at his alma mater and who could have done justice to the melody of sadness.

The soldier, Spc. Joseph P. Bongiorni III, had himself played the trumpet since fourth grade being taught by high school teacher Dick Burns, who honored his former student by playing "Taps" at an impromptu ceremony before 200 Fort Cherry students.

#### FLORA DINCH

Flora Lee Dinch, 90, of West Alexander R. D. 1, died Wednesday, December 24, 1969, at 8 a. m. in Millers Rest Home, Claysville.

She was born August 26, 1879, in Washington, a daughter of John and Elizabeth Bedillion Allen.

Her husband William, whom she married in 1905, died in 1960.

Surviving are two sisters: Mrs. Bird Myers and Mrs. Ida May Allen, both of Washington, and several nieces and nephews.

Five brothers and three sisters are deceased.

"This was something Dick Burns really wanted to do," said Jesse King, high school principal. "Joe was a very special student to him."

Bongiorni was special to many people in the community and at the school

A memorial ceremony held at the high school Thursday remembered the former National Honor Society student. In front of the school, on a sign displaying the words, "In memory of Joseph Phillip Bongiorni III, Class of 1989," a black wreath now hangs.

While a student at Fort Cherry, Bongiorni, who turned 20 on Jan. 30, was a member of the Rangers football and baseball teams, school band and numerous other scholastic clubs.

Bongiorni was a student at West Virginia University in Morgantown, where he was majoring in civil engineering

Maj. Charles D. Betoney, a military science instructor at the university, called Bongiorni "one of my favorites."

"I had him for two semesters," Betoney said. "He was very sincere, very thoughtful, very patriotic in his own quiet, intense way. He served his country well and was proud to serve. I think this young man exhibited the qualities we would all like to have."

Betoney said Bongiorni was wellliked by those who shared classes with him at Stansbury Hall, headquarters of WVU's ROTC program.

"Those who knew him dearly loved him," Betoney said.

Bongiorni joined the 99th Army Reserve Command, headquartered in Oakdale, during his junior year in high school. Before his senior year, until late in the day. The eight members of the school's Student Support Team, composed of teachers and administrators, decided not to reveal the news to students Wednesday.

"We thought if we could hold off, it would be much better if the students could hear this at home and deal with it with their families," King said.

The Rangers boys' basketball team dedicated its Class AA playoff game to Bongiorni Wednesday night. A moment of silence was observed before the game and team members wore black bands on their uniforms.

King's official announcement Thursday morning of Bongiorni's death also was followed by a moment of silence.

The support team helped grieving students at school Thursday.

Bongiorni's mother, Rita, and grandmother, Twila Armstrong of Avella, attended the ceremony.

A memorial service sponsored by Mt. Pleasant Township Volunteer Fire Department department and Hickory area service clubs was held at 3 p.m. Sunday at the fire department.

he completed military basic training at Fort Dix, N.J.

The shock of the young man's death has been difficult for those at Fort Cherry, said King.

Although rumors that Bongiorni had been killed circulated throughout the school all day Wednesday, school officials did not receive confirmation

## **Robert Chess**

Robert Wayne Chess, 73, of Petroleum Avenue, Claysville, died at 9:26 a.m. Wednesday, February 26, 1986, in his home, following a long illness.

He was born July 6, 1912, in Harveys, Greene County, son of Jonas B. and Almeda Clutter Chess.

Mr. Chess was a member of the Claysville Christian Church, where he had been a deacon. He was a heavy equipment operator working out of the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 132. He retired in 1978 after 30 years of service. Previously, he was employed by S. George Paper Factory, Wellsburg, W.Va.

He attended Coon Island Grade School and Claysville High School. He was a veteran of World War II, having served the 263rd Coast Artillary of the U.S. Army. He was a member of American Legion Post 639, Claysville, and the Legion Drill

Team.

On July 9, 1942, in Russell, Ky., he married Ruth Seaman, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Daniel (Becky) Riggle of Claysville and Susan Chess of Washington; four brothers, Blaine Chess of West Alexander, Arthur Chess of Claysville, Ray Chess of Fairmont, W.Va., and Joe Chess of Kailua, Hawaii; three sisters, Mrs. Samuel (Fern) Mack of Beech Bottom, W.Va., Mrs. Gertrude Kimberland of St. Mary's, and Mrs. Earl (Martha) Beattie of Claysville; two grandchildren, Karie and Jeff Kuhn and several nieces and nephews.

## **Heather Greenslate**

# Midway woman was mother of three

Heather L. Ray Greenslate, 26, of Midway, died Monday, May 30, 1994, from injuries she received in an automobile accident.

She was born February 21, 1968, in Pittsburgh, a daughter of James A. Ray of Jacksonsville, Fla., and Anita M. Ashmore of Midway.

She was raised by her mother and stepfather, James W. Ashmore.

Survivng are a daughter, Mara R. Richards of Bulger; two sons. Robert L. Greenslate III of Burgettstown and Mark E. Richards of Bulger; four sisters, Kathy L. Ashmore of Bulger. Jennifer P. Ashmore of Midway. Mary K. Nestor of Washington and Angela J. Coward of Mobile, Ala.; two brothers, James W. Ashmore III of Pensacola, Fla., and Adrian R. Ashmore of Bulger; her maternal grandparents, Elizabeth and Jules Lefebvre of Midway; and her paternal grandparents, Irene and William Nathoway of St. Stephen, S.C.

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In Loving Memory of SPC. Joseph P. Bongiorni III January 30, 1971 February 25, 1991

#### **PRAYER**

May the angels lead you into Paradise, may the Martyrs receive you at your coming, and take you to Jerusalem, the holy city. May the choirs of the Angels receive you, and may you with the once poor Lazarus, have rest everlasting.

Amen.

#### (Roman Ritual)

May the Souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

### Jesse A. Roach

Jesse A. Roach, 74, of Bulger R.D.1 died Wednesday May 4, 1988, in Washington Hospital.

He was born May 18, 1913, in Hickory, a son of George and Lena

Boldt Roach.

He was a dairy farmer and a retired equipment operator for the Smith Township Road Department.

He was a member of the Cherry

Valley Sportsmen's Club.

Surviving are his wife, Elsie Stevens Roach; five sons, Robert, Donald, William, Gerald and Ronald Roach, all of Bulger R.D.1; two daughters, Betty Mae Bonner of Bulger R.D.1 and Terri Bonazza of Washington; one sister, Emma Clemens of Burgettstown R.D.3; 11 grandchildren and five greatgrandchildren.

One brother, William George

Roach, is deceased.

#### Anna K. Baic

Anna K. Baic, 89, of 44 Main Street, Slovan, died Sunday, May 26, 1985, in the Weirton (W.Va.) Medical Center.

Born June 19, 1895, in Yugoslavia, she was the daughter of Phillip and

Anna Mikisie.

She operated a restaurant and tavern in Slovan for 51 years and was a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Church and the SNPJ Lodge, both of Burgettstown.

Surviving are two daughters, ara Sanjek of Yugoslavia and phine Lonick of Atlasburg; seven children; five great-grandn, and several nieces and Gallatin Bank, Roule 10, Mickey,

# Jacob Rupnik Jr.

Jacob Rupnik Jr., 63, of Midway, died Monday, February 24, 1986, at Washington Hospital.

He was born October 16, 1922, in Evans City, a son of the late Jacob

and Anna Durkowski Rupnik.

Mr. Rupnik was owner of Jake's

Bar in Midway. He was a veteran of World War II, having served in the U.S. Army. He was a member of St.

Anne's Church of Bulger. His wife, Marsha Pardo Rupnik,

died in 1981. Surviving are a daughter, Erica Stuart of Phoenix, Ariz.; a grandson,

Tamulinas, both of McDonald; six rothers, William Rupnik of Midway, Trank Rupnik of Hopewell Township. chn Rupnik of Bulger, Carl Rupnik Sturgeon, Paul Rupnik of Carnegie,

and Edward Rupnik of Warren, Ohio.

Jason Stewart of Phoenix, Ariz.; two isters, Jennie Piazza and Frances

## Joseph P. Bongiorni III

U.S. Army Reserve Spc. Joseph Bongiorni III, 20, of Hickory 3.0.1, died Monday, February 25, 3.0.1, in an Iraqi Scud missile attack on a U.S. military barracks in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia.

He was born January 30, 1971, in Washington, a son of Joseph P. Jr. and Rita M. Armstrong Bongiorni.

A 1989 Fort Cherry High School graduate, he was a second-year student at West Virginia University, majoring in civil engineering.

He was with the HHC 443rd Area Support Group in Oakdale since his junior year in high school before volunteering to join the 475th Quartermaster Group of Greensburg for active duty.

He played offensive guard and defensive end on the Fort Cherry football team, as well as being a member of the marching band, the National Honor Society and the science, math, ski and varsity clubs.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by two sisters, Lorie Bongiorni of Morgantown, W.Va., and Jody Bongiorni, at home; his paternal grandmother, Mrs. Rose Bongiorni of Cape Coral, Fla.; and his maternal grandmother, Mrs. Twila Armstrong of Avella.

Preceding him in death were his paternal grandfather, Joseph P. Bongiorni, in 1985, and his maternal grandfather, Harry Armstrong, in 1986.

BONGIORNI — Friends of U.S. Army Reserve Spc. Joseph P. Bongiorni III of Hickory R.D.1, who died Monday, February 25, 1991, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday at the Lee and Martin Funeral Home, 73 Highland Avenue, Burgettstown, where a blessing service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, March 8, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial, celebrated at 11 a.m. by the Rev. Rudolph Smoley at Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church, Burgettstown. Burial, with full military honors, will be held at Mt. Prospect Cemetery. Hickory. The family suggests memorial contributions be made to the Joseph P. Bongiorni III Scholarship Fund, Gallatin Bank, Route 18, Hickory, Pa., 15340.

#### In Memory Of

MARTHA M. FILAURO

Born

January 4, 1924

Died

September 21, 1980

Services

Frank J. Nation Funeral Home McDonald Penna.

Wednesday 11:00 A.M. September 24, 1980

Clergyman

Rev. David Vogel S. Central Christan Church

Interment
Center Cemetery

In Memory Of

CARL T. MILLER

Date of Birth
DECEMBER 21, 1918

Date of Death

Services
HUMMELL AND BARNHILL
FUNERAL HOME, INC.
1:00 P.M., FRIDAY
MAY 27, 1988

Officiating
REV. THOMAS E. BROWN

Resting Place
WASHINGTON CEMETERY
WASHINGTON, PA

#### Carl T. Miller

Carl T. Miller, 69, of 1092 Addison Street, Washington, died unexpectedly at 4:58 p.m. Tuesday, May 24, 1988, in Washington Hospital.

He was born December 21, 1918, in Johnstown, a son of Pearl Miller Davis.

He was raised in Uniontown and moved to the Washington area in 1943. He was a railroad engineer for the Donora Southern Railroad for 20 years. He was last employed as a metal worker at Molycorp, Washington, retiring in 1983 after 20 years. He was a member of West Washington United Methodist Church and a veteran of World War II, serving the U.S. Navy.

On October 2, 1948, he married Edna Lee Ellis Miller, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. John (Karen) Brezinski and Mrs. John (Kathy) Babeji, both of Washington; and three grandchildren, Lori Brezinski, Erin Brezinski, and Jason Babeji, all of Washington.

## Carl Dodd Miller

Worked in steel, oil and farming



Carl Dodd Miller, 81, of Reed Road, Avella, died at 11:10 p.m. Thursday, March 13, 1997, at Presbyterian Medical Center.

He was born April 29, 1915, at Crothers Station, son of Edward G. and Viola Sarah Craig Miller.

Mr. Miller was a member of North Buffalo Presbyterian Church and had been a selfemployed farmer for 42 years.

He had also been employed by Washington and South Penn Oil Field and Jessop and Weirton

Steel.

He attended Trinity High School.

On February 27, 1937, he married Marion A. Ashmore, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Thomas E. Miller of Avella and Carl Dodd Miller Jr. of Washington; a daughter, Carol A. Bentrem of Washington; three brothers, Gale Miller of Taylorstown, Edward Miller and Cecil Miller, both of Washington; three sisters, Mabel Brookman, Lucille Tiano and Nellie Ashmore, all of Washington; eight grandchildren, Marcy Fortunato, Suzanne McCoy, Thomas A. Miller, Rebecca Bandi, Robert Logsdon, Annie Bentrem, Chris Miller and Missy Miller; seven greatgrandchildren; and three stepgreat-grandchildren.

Deceased are a brother, George Miller; and a sister, Anna

Mary Hunter.

MILLER - Friends of Carl Dodd Miller of Reed Road, Avella, who died Thursday, March 13, 1997, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday and noon to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday at William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where a service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, March 17, with Pastor Gary Gibson officiating. Interment in North Buffalo Church Cemetery.

#### Ivan W. Clemens

Findlay Refractories retiree served with U.S. Army

Ivan W. Clemens, 80, of 1217 1/2 Wayne Street, Washington, died at 7:10 a.m. Thursday, March 13, 1997, in his home, following a two-year illness.

He was born October 2, 1916, in Acheson, Washington County, a son of Jasper and Rena Allen Clemens.

Mr. Clemens retired from Findlay Refractories in 1981 after working 13 years in the kiln department.

He had previously been employed as a maintenance worker at Hazel Atlas Glass Plant No. 2 for 33 years.

Mr. Clemens was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II, having served with the 831st Engineering Battalion.

On August 23, 1957, he married Eleanor J. Gorby, who survives.

Also surviving are five sons, William Engle of Smyrna, Del., John Engle of Warner Robins, Ga., Jeffrey L. Clemens of Pittsburgh, Richard I. Clemens and David D. Clemens, both of Washington; one daughter, Beverly J. Shoup of Amity; his twin sister, Nellie Chipps of Washington; eight grandchildren; and four greatgrandchildren.

Deceased are two brothers, James H. and Kenneth Clemens; and one sister, Gertrude Clemens.

CLEMENS – Friends of Ivan W. Clemens of 1217 1/2 Wayne Street, Washington, who died Thursday, March 13, 1997, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in Hummell and Barnhill Funeral Home Inc., 585 Fayette Street, Washington, where a service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 15, with Robert Davison of the Church of Christ, officiating. Burial in North Buffalo Cemetery will be private.

## Rebecca M. Durila

Claysville resident attended Elm Road Baptist Mission

Rebecca Mae Durila, 81, of Claysville R.D.1, died at 1:25 p.m. Monday, February 24, 1997, in Humbert Lane Health Care Center, following a lengthy illness.

She was born March 25, 1915, in Buffalo Township, a daughter of Harry and Kizzie Kelly Dinch.

Mrs. Durila was a homemaker, attended the Elm Road Baptist Mission and Trinity High School.

On December 15, 1933, she married John Durila, who died July 26, 1961.

Surviving are eight sons, John of Washington, Robert E. of Mesa, Ariz., Paul M., Michael E. and Kenneth B., all of Claysville, David L. of Youngstown, Ohio. James L. of Amity and Jeffrey L. Durila at home; six daughters, Helen L. Beall of Beaufort, S.C., Nancy E. Mullins of Houston, Mary L. Willhoft of Avella, Rebecca M. Posgate of Wolfdale. Lorna B. Orum of Claysville and Kelly S. Miller of Washington; a brother, Edward Dinch of West Alexander; a sister, Laura Hatfield of Washington; 54 grandchildren and 67 greatgrandchildren.

Deceased are a grandson, William Willhoft; a greatgranddaugther; a brother, Russell Dinch; and a sister, Elizabeth Haskell.

DURILA – Friends of Rebecca Mae Durila of Claysville R.D.1, who died Monday, February 24, 1997, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday in the William G. Neal Funeral Home Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, where funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, February 27, with the Rev. John H. Milliken officiating. Interment in Independence Cemetery. Family suggests memorial contributions to the donor's choice.

#### MRS. JEANNETTE B. SHAFFER

Mrs. Jeannette B. Shaffer, 61, of Hickory, R. D. 1, died at 10:45 p.m. Sunday, August 9, 1970, in Presbyterian University Hospital, Pittsburgh, after an extended illness.

She was born November 21, 1909, in Painters Run, a daughter of John W. Jester, of Canonsburg, and the late Wilma Roman Jester.

She was married September 29, 1927, to Lewis H. Shaffer, f who survives.

Surviving, in addition to her father and husband, are five daughters: Jeannette, wife of Glenn Morrison, and Verdie, wife of John R. Fischer, both of McDonald, R. D. 4; Darlene, wife of John Watson; Betty Michelucci, and Judy, wife of Ed Carter, all of Hickory; one son, Lewis H. Jr., of Hickory; four sisters: Mrs. Anna Marth, of Houston; Mrs. Pauline Gump, of Canonsburg; Mrs. Wilma Curdie, of Eighty Four, and Mrs. Katherine Oshetsky, of Bentleyville; three brothers: Alex Jester, of Strabane; John Jester, of Canonsburg, and Robert Jester, of Washington, and 17 grandchildren.

One son, Charles; two daughters, Linda and Rose Mory; three grandchildren and one brother are all deceased.

Herman J. Engel

Herman J. (Junie) Engel Jr., 62, of Hickory R.D.1 died Tuesday, September 30, 1986, in his home, after a long illness.

He was born May 13, 1924, in Mt. Pleasant Township, a son of Clara England Engel and

Herman J. Engel Sr.

He was a member of the Hickory United Presbyterian Church and the Mt. Pleasant Township Volunteer Fire Department, of which he was vice president and a past president.

Mr. Engel was a bus driver for the Fort Cherry School District for 37 years and was an equipment

operator for Mt. Pleasant Township.

Surviving are his wife, Mabel Riggle Engel; two daughters, Karen O'Leary, Washington, and Susan Willis, Danville, Va.; one son, John Engel, Hickory; six grandchildren; one brother, John D. Engel, McDonald R.D.3; one stepdaughter, Mary Lee Suprek, Colorado Springs, Colo., and one stepson, Ronald Wayne Braddock, Zolfa Springs, Fla.

# William Arthur Phillips

William Arthur Phillips, 56, of 118 Central Street, Morgan, died Thursday, August 8, 1985, at the Presbyterian-University Hospital, Pittsburgh, following a long illness.

He was born April 20, 1929, in Woodrow, a son of Janet White Phillips and the late David M. Phillips.

Mr. Phillips was an elder in the Gladden United Presbyterian Church, and a port authority bus driver for 23 years. During the last six years, he was a transit operations coordinator for the Port Authority. He was a member of SNPJ Lodge No. 6, the VFW of Cuddy, an auctioneer, and member of the Washington Toastmasters.

In July, 1950, he married Edna Ann Wagner Phillips, who survives.

Also surviving are one daughter;
anne Jenkins of Venice; three sons,
an R. Phillips of Hunting Ridge,
aneth A. Phillips, at home, and
ald J. Phillips of Glendale; one
Evelyn Borden of Woodland
Calif.; and one brother, Joseph
ps of Washington; three gr

#### Welch

M. Reed (Junior) Welch III, 60, of 4111 Talon Lane, Indianapolis, Ind., formerly of Hickory, died in an automobile accident Wednesday, June 1, 1977.

Born June 12, 1916, in Cherry Valley, a son of the late M. Reed Welch and Jean Buchan Welch of Hickory, who survives, he was the former owner and operator of Meadowbrook Golf Course in Hickory and a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church.

He was also a member of the Richard Vaux Lodge No. 484 Free and Accepted Masons; Pittsburgh Consistory; and Syria Temple. He was presently employed by Carson Ford Sales of Brownsburg, Ind.

Surviving are his widow, Dorothy Beadling Welch; three sons, M. Reed Welch IV of Santa Clara, Calif.; Richard G. Welch and John B. Welch, both of Hickory; one brother, Willard of Lancaster; one grandson, John B. Welch Jr. of Hickory.

#### **Ronald W. Bedillion**

Ronald W. Bedillion of Washington Avenue, Hickory died July 11, 1996, in Washington Hospital. He was 67.

Born Feb. 24,1929, in Hickory, he was the son of the late John D. and Leila S. Redinger Bedillion.

He was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church.

He was a terminal manager for Capplin Trucking Co., and later Zimmerman Trucking Co., retiring in 1984. Following his retirement, he was a school bus driver for Fort Cherry School District.

He was a 1947 graduate of Hickory High School and a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean

Conflict.

He enjoyed the outdoors and was

On June 1, 1954, in Hickory, he married Rowena (Skip) Retzer, who survives.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by one daughter, Lori Wagner of Hickory; two sons, Kurt W. and William R., both of Hickory; two sisters, Barbara Shaffer and Leila White, both of Hickory; three brothers, John J., James R. and Gary R., all of Hickory; and four grandchildren, Emilee, Patrick and Courtney Bedillion and Michael Wagner.

Friends were received July 12 in the McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., Houston. Services were held July 13 in the funeral home, the Rev. Craig Kephart officiating.

#### Harrower

Alexander P. Harrower, 53, of Hickory, died in Mercy Hospital, Pittsburgh, Saturday, October 16, 1976.

He was born in Cowdenbeath, Scotland, September 1, 1923, a son of Christina Paton Harrower, who survives, and the late Andrew Harrower.

He was employed by McGraw-Edison Power Systems Division, Canonsburg. A member of the Hickory United Presbyterian Church, he served in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

He is survived by his widow, Mildred Rozanc Harrower; a daughter, Rosanna, wife of William Baskind of Mt. Vernon, N.Y.; a son, David A. Harrower of Canton, Ohio; his mother, Christina Paton Harrower of Washington; a brother, Andrew of Canonsburg R.D.1, and a grandchild, Paton Harrower.

One brother, James, is deceased.

## **David Audley Miller**

David Audley Miller, 54, of Hickory, died in his home at 4:15 p.m. Sunday, April 28, 1985, following an illness of a year and a half.

Born September 30, 1930, in Washington, he was a son of Roberta Jane Malone Miller of Hickory and the late

David Freeman Miller.

He was a member of the Hickory United Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Miller had been a self-em-

ployed furnace mechanic.

He served in Korea with the U.S. Army during the Korean conflict. He was a member of Skinner-Brun VFW Post 7218 of Bulger.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are one son, David Wayne Miller of Washington; one daughter, Mrs. Charles D. (Debra Ann) Browell of Graysville; one brother, Donald D. Miller of Hickory; and three grand-children, Suzanne, Michelle, and Holly Browell, all of Graysville.

#### **Edward Lonchiek**

Former Hickory resident

Edward Lonchiek, 83, of 1682 Stevens Street, Lancaster, formerly of Hickory, died Thursday, January 13, 1994, in Lancaster General Hospital, following a two-week illness.

He was born November 3, 1910, in Pittsburgh, a son of John and Katherine Slonska Lonchiek.

Mr. Lonchiek worked at the Disco Plant of the Pittsburgh Consolidated Coal Co.

Surviving are his wife,
Josephine Poznak Lonchiek, with
whom he celebrated his 58th
wedding anniversary on
September 4, 1993; one son,
Edward D. Lonchiek of New York,
N.Y.; one daughter, Mrs. Donald
(Lisa L.) Murray of East
Petersburg; eight grandsons; four
sisters, Kate Shulin of Michigan,
Helen Werner of Imperial, Mary
Williams of Chicago, Ill., and Ann
Bruce of Aliquippa.

Services will be held at the convenience of the family.

### Iris Elizabeth Nelson

Washington native member of First Christian Church



Iris Elizabeth Nelson, 82, of Hickory, died at 8:40 a.m. Wednesday, October 12, 1994, n her home after a lingering illness.

She was born March 7, 1912, in Washington, a daughter of Arthur and Margaret Stockdale Majors.

Mrs. Nelson was a member of the First Christian Church, Washington.

She was a clerk at G.C. Murphy Co., Washington, retiring in 1971.

On August 28, 1928, she married Jacob E. Nelson, who died November 23, 1989.

Surviving are three daughters, Madaline Nelson Cathers of Los Vegas, Nev., Mrs. Joe (Frankie Nelson) Kehn of Hickory, Helen Nelson Watkins of Reno, Nev.; three sisters, Gladys McCloskey of Washington, Alice Hartley of Follansbee, W.Va., and Opal Clausser of Florida; eight grandchildren; 12 greatgrandchildren; and one greatgreat-grandchild.

A brother, Hugh David Majors, is deceased.

#### Charles A. Sethman

# Owned sign business, service station

Charles A. Sethman, 65, of Western Avenue, Hickory, died Friday, January 10, 1997, in Washington Hospital.

He was born January 5, 1932, in Westland, a son of Emily Emery Sethman of Hickory and the late Charles E. Sethman.

Mr. Sethman was selfemployed and owner-operator of Sethman Magnetic Signs and the former Sethman Mobile service station.

He was a member of Westland Sportsman's Club and Muse Independent Club.

On August 26, 1949, he married Betty V. Snedeker Sethman, who died December 17, 1994.

Surviving are a son, Charles Sethman of Westland; and two grandsons, Shawn and Scott Sethman.

## Betty V. Sethman

Employed by Black Box Corp.

Betty V. Sethman, 62, of Western Avenue, Hickory, died Saturday, December 17, 1994, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, following a brief illness.

She was born October 22, 1932, in Hickory R.D.1, a daughter of Gladys Marie Marrow Snedeker of McDonald and the late Andrew Erett Snedeker.

Mrs. Sethman worked in the quality maintenance department of Black Box Corp., Lawrence. She was a member of Westland Presbyterian Church.

On August 26, 1949, she married Charles Sethman, who survives.

Also surviving, in addition to her mother and husband, are one son, Charles Sethman Jr. of Westland; two grandchildren, Shawn and Scott Sethman; two brothers, Clifford Snedeker of Washington and Thomas Snedeker of Daisytown; two sisters, Mary Jane Engle of McDonald and Ann Pryor of Washington.

#### Sondra Acheson

#### Resident of McDonald

Sondra Acheson, 53, of Fort Cherry Road, McDonald R.D.4, died unexpectedly Saturday, July 15, 1995, in her home.

She was born November 30, 1941, in Michigan, a daughter of the late William and Mildred

Acheson Dallmeyer.

Surviving are one aunt, Lois Acheson of Hickory; and several cousins.

Deceased are her husband, Brian Acheson; and one daughter, Laura Jean Acheson.

There will be no visitation and services are private.

Arrangements are being handled by the Thomas and Little Funeral Home, McDonald.

#### William A. Laurich

William A. Laurich, 72, of Cape Corral, Fla., formerly of Atlasburg, died Wednesday, December 11, 1985, in Fort Myers, Fla. Community Hospital.

He was born December 16, 1912, in Etna, son of Anthony and Antoinette

Alec Laurich.

Mr. Laurich was a retired employee of Climax Molybdenum Co. of Langeloth.

He was Catholic.

Surviving are his wife, Lottie Zakulec Laurich of Cape Corral, Fla.: two sons. Martin Laurich of Burgettstown R.D.2 and William Laurich of Wooster, Ohio: one daughter, Mrs. Robert (Gloria) McGivern of Atlasburg: one brother, August (Goose) Laurich of Burgettstown; five sisters, Mrs. John (Hannah) Pollana and Mrs. Joseph (Rose) Bongiorni, both of Cape Corral, Fla., Mrs. Mildred Yamber and Mrs. John (Evelyn) Ostop, both of Burgettstown R.D.3, and Mrs. Frank (Marv) Yamber of Burgettstown R.D.2, and six grandchildren.

## Mary Beaumariage

Mary Bell Beaumariage, 82, of Hickory, died Wednesday, January 8, 1986, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

Born December 13, 1903, in Cecil Township, she was a daugther of Robert F. and Lina Mitchell Bell.

In 1922, Mrs. Beaumariage graduated from Hickory High School and in 1927, she graduated from Muskingum Collge, New Concord, Ohio.

She taught in both the Mt. Pleasant Township and Canon-McMillan school

districts.

Mrs. Beaumariage was a member of the Pennsylvania State Retired Teachers Association, the National Retired Teachers Association, the Pennsylvania Farmers Association and the Venice Presbyterian Church.

In addition, she attended the Christian Reformed Church of Washington.

Her husband, Alexander C. Beau-

mariage, died August 30, 1966.

Surviving are two daughters, Marjorie Kay Beaumariage at home and Mrs. John L. (Priscilla) Bernard of Hickory; two sisters, Bernice Beaumariage of Hickory and Volena Lighthizer of Summerfield, Fla.; one brother, Denny N. Bell of Rogue River, Ore.; and two grandchildren, Michelle and Michael Bernard of Hickory.

Deceased is one sister, Roberta.

#### Edna Jean Snedeker

Edna Jean Snedeker, 55, of Souview, died at 8:10 p.m. Thursda December 25, 1986, in Washington Hospital after a six-month illness.

She was born August 1, 1931, in Leechburg, a daughter of the late John Hazlett and Frances Held Hazlett of Washington, who survives.

She was a member of SNPJ Lodge

No. 265, Southview.

Surviving in addition to her mother are her husband, Clifford Snedeker; one daughter, Mrs. Gordon (Suzan) Holmes of Bulger R.D.1; one son, Clifford Snedeker Jr. of Hickory; four grandchildren; one brother, Donald Hazlett of Washington; and two sisters, Naomi Ayre and Sandy Lewis, both of Washington.

# Former owner of Langeloth dies at 90

Gus J. Barbush, 90, philanthropist and one-time owner of Langeloth, died Wednesday, May 17, 1989, in Washington Hospital.

Barbush, who bought Langeloth when American Zinc and Chemical Co. closed after World War II, was born May 21, 1898, in Greece. He was a son of John and Anna Vourakis Bourbakis.

Mr. Barbush came to America in 1914. Andrew Enos, a cousin who lives near the West Virginia border in Paris, remembers him as a hard worker and philanthropist.

"Whenever someone had a need. Gus was the first one there," Enos. said.

Mr. Barbush worked first as a butcher in a company store in Langeloth. Making good via his work ethic, he later purchased the. store. He continued in this and other businesses and invested his money wisely.

After World War II wound down. the town's major employer, American Zinc and Chemical Co., went under. But Barbush wouldn't let the town go with it.

"He bought the town," said Enos. "Then, after he got older and wanted to ease some of his headaches, he sold most of the houses to the people living in them."

Mr. Barbush never married, but found his family in the community. "Gus liked to dine out, and he would always go over to friends and offer to by them a drink," said Enos. "He loved to talk."

A member of the Pittsburgh Press Old Newsboys, Barbush decorated his home with thousands of lights each Christmas. Viewing the



GUS J. BARBUSH

display became a Langeloth holiday tradition. Viewers' donations went to Children's Hospital, Pittsburgh.

Mr. Barbush was a member of five Greek Orthodox churches in the tri-state area and once gave each a \$10,000 bond.

In 1978, he was honored as Burgettstown Community Citizen of the Year by the Burgettstown Lions Club in recognition of 64 vears' dedication to the area.

Enos said Barbush "tried to visit Greece nearly every year. It was his homeland."

Next week, he will be buried on the isle of Crete.

Surviving are three sisters, Mary Kladakis of Paris, Eletheria Pisadakis and Pelagia Gavrilakis, both of Greece; and a brother, Criss Bourbakis, also of Greece, Also surviving are a number of nieces and nephews in Greece and in this country.

Deceased are a brother, Mike Bourbakis, Nick Bourbakis and George Bourbakis; and a sister, Gregoria Karakis.

#### Dellapina

Leo M. (Biggie) Dellapina, 53, of Hickory, died unexpectedly Tuesday, September 12, 1978, in Cecil.

He was born in Wyano April vi 1910, the son of Dominick n and Anselma Balisaro ly Dellapina.

Mr. Dellapina had been employed as a safety engineer for the Rockwood insurance Co.

He spent most of his life in he Bulger area, and he was a nember of St. Ann's Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Dellapina had been a nanager and player in sandlot baseball in the area, and was the first commissioner of the Burgett-stown Area Little League.

He was a former Burgettstown Area School Director.

A veteran of World War II, he was a member and past commander of the Skinner-Brun VFW Post in Bulger. He was a member of the Hickory Lions Club and the Raccoon Valley Golfers Association.

Surviving are two sons, Richard Dellapina of Springfield, Ohio, Ronald Dellapina of Burgettstown; two brothers, Louis Dellapina of Mt. Lebanon, Geno Dellapina of Bulger; five sisters, Thelma Nixon of Cleveland, Ohio, Louise Burchianti and Edith Rometti, both of Bulger, Lena Compel of Mt. Lebanon, Marie in Italy, and eight grandchildren.

His wife Jean A. Mazzier Dellapina, died January 1, 1969. One brother and one sister are deceased.

#### quellion

88, of Hickory R.D.1 died at 5:35 a.m. Friday, December 7, 1979, in Canonsburg General Hospital following a one-month illness.

Born August 23, 1891, in Mc-Govern, she was the daughter of David J. and Mary Jane

McCarty Mull.

She was a member of the Westland United Presbyterian Church.

In 1919, she married Paul P. Criquellion, who died in 1953.

Surviving are one son, Robert of Hickory R.D.1; two daughters, Mrs. William (Mary Margaret) Samloff of Hickory R.D.1 and Mrs. John (Elsie) Schilinski of Houston; and one grandson, Paul Schilinski of Cheyenne, Wyo.

Deceased are two sisters, Margaret Kennedy and Georgianna Marth; and three brothers, Ralph, Lou and Wil-

liam Mull.

#### John W. Watson

John W. Watson, 75, of Hickory, died at 6:30 p.m. Friday, December 27, 1985, in Allegheny General Hospital of Pittsburgh, following a fourmonth illness.

He was born October 23, 1910, in California, a son of James and Margaret Woolridge Watson.

Mr. Watson was a retired coalminer. He was last employed at Pittsburgh Coal at the Westland Mines.

He was a member of the Fairhill Manor Christian Church and the UMW.

On November 23, 1937, he married Maxine Stewart, who survives.

Surviving, in addition to his wife are one son, John E. Watson of Hickory; one daughter, Mrs. Thomas (Maxine) Farabee of Amity; one brother, Willard Watson of Hutchison, W.Va.; one sister, Mrs. John (Mabel) Carpentar of Upland, Calif., ten grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Deceased are one grandchild, Michael Wayne Hoffman, and two brothers, James and Alvin Watson.

#### James M. Spiller

James M. (Jamo) Spiller, 45, of Hickory R.D.1, formerly of West Greene Street, Waynesburg, died Wednesday, May 17, 1989, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, following a lengthy illness.

He was born July 13, 1943, in Houston, a son of Armeda Gibellino Spiller Martorana of Hickory and the late James Spiller.

He was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Spiller was a member of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees.

He was employed by the Pennsylvania Game Commission, where he worked with the Food and Cover Corps, the Farm and Game Management Project, and also served as a deputy wildlife conservation officer.

Mr. Spiller was a Navy veteran of the Vietnam War.

He was engaged to marry Joanne Dire of Hickory.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are a sister, Joylene Markish of Hickory; his stepfather, Frank Martorana of Hickory; two nieces, Pamela Bezusko and Tracey Engel; and a nephew, Bernard Guidos Jr.

#### Edward B. Richards

Canon-McMillan School District teacher Edward "Buzz" Brian Richards, 42, of Washington, died Thursday in Washington Hospital.

Mr. Richards, formerly of Hickory in Mount Pleasant Township, taught in the district for 20 years. At the time of his death, he also was girls' volleyball coach at Canon-

McMillan High School.

He was a member of Immaculate Conception Church, Washington, and the Pennsylvania State Education Association.

Mr. Richards was a 1966 graduate of Fort Cherry High School and a 1971 graduate of California State Teachers College, now known as California University of Pennsylvania.

Surviving are his wife, Mary Martin Richards; his mother, Grace Wade Richards of Hickory; two daughters, Emily and Jill, both at home; two brothers, Mark and Timothy, both of Hickory; and a sister, Sandra Bongiorni of Burgettstown.

Friends will be received from noon to 3 and 7 to 9 p.m. today in the Piatt and Barnhill Funeral Home, 420 Locust Ave., Washington. A funeral mass will be offered at 10:30 a.m. tomorrow in Immaculate Conception Church, Washington, with the Rev. Robert Seeman as celebrant. Burial will be in Washington Cemetery.

#### **Lenna Taylor**

Lenna Taylor, 57, of Hickory died at noon Saturday, October 18, 1986. She had been seriously ill for the past three months.

She was born January 19, 1929, in Washington, a daughter of Fred and Marie Luellen Schneider.

Mrs. Taylor was employed at Hazel-Atlas No. 2 and the Ruco Corp. Her last place of employment was the Snowy White Laundry.

In August 1970, she married Charles Frederick Taylor, who

survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Donley and William Martin, both of Dunn Station; three brothers, James Martin of Washington, Donald Schneider of Washington and Fred W. Schneider of Columbus, Ohio; two sisters, Mary Cheze of Washington and Sarah Sanner of McKeesport.

Two brothers, Darrell and William

Martin, are deceased.

#### **Katherine Esno**

Member of St. John's Byzantine Catholic Church

Katherine Esno, 77, of Burgettstown, died Tuesday, December 3, 1996, in Washington Hospital.

She was born October 18, 1919, in Etna, a daughter of Anna Petrunich and John Santek.

Prior to her retirement, Mrs. Esno had been employed by Kusic & Haynes Corp., Weirton.

She was a member of St. John's Byzantine Catholic Church, Avella.

Surviving are two sons,
Michael (Bucky) Esno of
Burgettstown and Donald Esno of
Cristline, Ohio; six daughters,
Joan Marie Seik of Hookstown,
Mary Ann Bongiorni of
Burgettstown, Kathy Yazevac of
Langeloth, Arlene Frances
Jobkar of Atlasburg, Patty Ann
Budash of Atlasburg, and Ann
Marie Drazick of Stewart, Fla.;
two sisters, Mildred DePaul of
Joffre and Annie Schilinski of
Sarasota, Fla.; 18 grandchildren;
and 15 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are her stepmother, Kate Santek; her husband, Mike Esno; one son, Robert Esno; one brother, Sam Santek; one sister, Barb Schilinski; one grandson, Gary Bongiorni; and one greatgrandson, Michael Edward Bongiorni Jr.

#### **Esther Viola Kelley**

Esther Viola Kelley, 52, of Sycamore Street, Washington, died at 1:30 p.m. Friday, August 23, 1991, in the Washington County Health Center following a 10-month illness.

She was born March 27, 1939, in Washington, a daughter of Myrtle Edith Grimm Byrd of Washington and the late Russell Charles Byrd.

Mrs. Kelley was a member of New Life Tabernacle Church of

Washington.

On September 15, 1958, she married John Kelley, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, John Douglas Kelley and William Eric Kelly, both at home; two daughters, Mrs. Mark (Debbie) Bails and Mrs. Doug (Patricia) Ranegar, both of Washington; three brothers, Russell, Howard and Richard Byrd, all of Washington; five sisters, Evelyn Furbee, Sarah Donley, Shirley Kelley, Janet Jenkins and Carol Ann Byrd, all of Washington; and two grand-children, Kristy and Douglas Ranegar.

A sister, Betty Lou Byers, is de-

ceased.

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#### Margaret Woodford

Margaret S. Woodford, 73, of Glasgow, Scotland, formerly of Hickory, died Tuesday, December 31, 1985, at 6:25 a.m. in Strathclyde Hospital in Motherwell, Scotland, following a lengthy illness. She had lived in Scotland the past two years.

She was born January 1, 1912, in High Blantyre, Scotland, daughter of Matthew and Georgina Maxwell

Speirs.

Mrs. Woodford was a former member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church.

Her husband, Robert Woodford,

died in 1983.

She was Hickory correspondent for The Observer for a number of years until November 1978.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Janet Gray of Blantyre; one sister, Mrs. Agnes Mackenzie of High Blantyre, Scotland, and four grandsons.

One daughter, Georgina, is de-

ceased.

Services were held in Blantyre Old Parish Church, January 6. Officiating was the Rev. Peter O. Price who had served in the Royal Navy and who was a chaplain for Queen Elizabeth when she was at sea.

A memorial service will be held in Hickory United Presbyterian Church Tuesday, January 28, at 11 a.m. with the Rev. Harvey O. Johnson officiating. The cremated remains will be interred in Mt. Prospect Cemetery.

#### Mary M. McCarrell

Mary Marthetta McCarrell, 84, of Hickory, died at 11:45 p.m. Tuesday, July 4, 1989, in Presbyterian Medical Center following a brief illness.

She was born April 16, 1905, in Hickory, a daughter of Andrew Donaldson and Mary McBurney McCarrell.

Miss McCarrell was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church, Hickory Women's Club, and Mt. Pleasant Township Historical Society Library.

She attended schools in Hickory, as well as the Washington Seminary and Muskingham College.

For three years she taught school at Primrose and for 37 years at Hickory, now the Fort Cherry School District. She was a member of Washington County Retired Teachers Association and the Pennsylvania State Education Association.

Surviving are several cousins.



DIES — Mary Marthetta McCarrell of Hickory died Tuesday, July 4, 1989. She had been a teacher in the Fort Cherry School District for 40 years.

#### Donald R. Shaffer

Retired electrician was World War II Navy veteran

Donald R. Shaffer, 71, of Wabash Avenue, Hickory, died Thursday, April 29, 1993, in his home.

He was born November 24, 1921 in Mercer, a son of Harvey and Blanche Henderson Shaffer.

Mr. Shaffer was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church and a World War II Navy veteran.

He worked for Columbia Gas Co. as an electrician, retiring in 1986.

On October 23, 1948, he married Barbara Bedillion, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Mrs. A. Thomas (Betsy) Kiefer of Hickory; a son, Ric Shaffer of San Diego, Calif.; a grandson, Matther Burk; and two brothers, Robert Shaffer of Kalispell, Mont., and John Shaffer of Fremont, Calif.

Deceased are two brothers, George and William Shaffer.

#### Lovina B. Lesjak

Lovina Baughman Lesjak, 51, of Presto, died Friday, November 20, 1987, in her residence.

She was born May 1, 1936, in Southview, a daughter of James A. and Helen Hopkinson Baughman Sr.

Mrs. Lesjak was a member of St. Barbara's Church of Presto, and the Christian Mothers of the church. She was also a member of the SNPJ Lodge No. 265 of Southview, and the Wednesday Morning Bowling League of Bridgeville.

Surviving are her husband, Harry R. Lesjak Sr.; one daughter, Mrs. Rick (Lisa) Santoro of Greentree; one son, Harry R. Lesjak Jr. at home; two sisters, Mrs. Kenneth (Tootie) McElhaney of Southview and Mrs. Alden (Cathy) Partozoti of Southview; one brother, James B. Baughman Jr. of Hendersonville; one granddaughter, Cassandra O'Hosky.

#### Evelyn H. Wallace

Evelyn H. Wallace, 74, of Hickory, died Wednesday, May 1, 1985, in University Hospital, Augusta, Ga., following a long illness.

She was born November 2, 1910, in Paris, Texas, daughter of Thomas Jefferson and Sellie Bell Cabiness

Hodges.

Mrs. Wallace was a retired secretary at Washington Hospital and a member of the Hickory United Presbyterian Church.

Her husband, Chandler C.

Wallace, died in June 1961.

Surviving are two daughters, Carolyn O. Wiggins of North Augusta, S.C., and Jean Ann Spencer of Hickory; one son, Richard C. Wallace of Hickory; one brother, Mark Hodges of Paris, Texas; and seven grandchildren.

Ten brothers and sisters are de-

ceased.

#### **Dennis Atchison**

Dennis James Atchison, 31, of Washington R.D.2, died Sunday, May 3, 1987, in an auto accident in Warren.

He was born February 14, 1956, in Washington. A dockworker for the Overnite Transportation Co., he was a graduate of Ft. Cherry High School and a member of ABATE.

Surviving are his wife, Grace E. (Goldie) Ankrom Atchison; his mother Ivadean Atchison-Mays, Washington; his grandparents, Mrs. Alwilda Atchison and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Atchison, and several aunts and uncles.

His father, Chester Mays, is deceased

#### Anthony W. Spada

Anthony W. Spada, 71, of Hickory, died Monday, March 31, 1986, in Mercy Hospital of Pittsburgh.

He was born December 14, 1914, in Cherry Valley, a son of Vincenzo and Regina Rizzotto Spada.

Mr. Spada was a retired coal miner, who had been employed at the Westland Mine. He was a member of the UMWA Local Number 2026.

He was a member of the Cherry Valley and

Westland Sportmen's clubs.

Surviving are his wife, Jean Boni Spada; one daughter, Toni Spada at home; one sister, Irma Baronick of Summersville, W.Va.; a half sister, Mary Bozic of Washington, and a half brother, Albert Costa of Cherry Valley.

Deceased are his stepfather, Leopolda Costa,

and a half brother. John Costa.

#### **Angelina Sprando**

Angelina Sprando, 87, of 33 Stella Street, Burgettstown, died Friday, May 16, 1986, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh.

She was born April 11, 1899, in Amantea, Italy, a daughter of Vincenzo and Antonia Osso Testa.

Mrs. Sprando was a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, the Christian Mothers, the Catholic Daughters of America, the Italian Ladies' Society, and the Slovan Fire

Department Auxiliary.

Surviving are three daughters, Inez Leskovitz of Midway, Jennie Wojnar of Slovan, and Bernadine Sprando of Burgettstown; two sons, Albert Sprando of Adena, Ohio, and Frank Sprando of Chicago; a sister, Jennie Bovalino of Toronto, Ohio; two brothers, Victor Testa and Tony Testa, both of Burgettstown; 14 grandchildren, and 15 great-grandchildren.

Her husband, Sam Sprando Sr., died September 23, 1970. Also deceased are two sons, Gene Sprando and Sam Sprando Jr.; two sisters Margaret Simone and Genera Emane; and four brothers, Frank, Sam, Jim and Ted Testa.

#### Mary Julos

Mary Jane Elizabeth Kelley Julos, 60, of 178 Barnett Street, Washington, died at 6:35 p.m. Wednesday, June 25, 1986, in Washington Hospital, following a lengthy illness.

She was born June 28, 1925, in Washington, a daughter of Mary C. Krugle Kelley of Washington and the

late Jack P. Kelley.

Mrs. Julos was a member of the First Lutheran Church of Washington.

She was a graduate of Washington High School and the Washington Hos-

pital School of Nursing.

Prior to her retirement, she was last employed by the Visiting Nurses Association of Washington.

On September 27, 1950, she mar-

ried George Julos, who survives.

Surviving, in addition to her mother and husband, are one daughter, Mary (Susan) Julos of Washington; three sons, George (Nick), Jace Allen and Michael John Julos, all of Washington; two sisters, Helen (Joy) Lazek and Mildred (Rose) Kelley, both of Washington; one brother, Walter (Jack) Kelley of Washington, and one granddaughter, Jennifer of Washington.

#### Mr. and Mrs. John Scott

John Mark and Elizabeth Ann Scott of 17 College Street, West Middletown, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary with an open house Sunday, July 19, from 2 to 5 p.m. in the West Middletown Community Pavilion.

The couple were united in marriage July 17, 1942, in Cheswick Presbyterian Church, Cheswick, by the Rev. Raymond Brittain.

He is a son of the late John Everett and Reatha Maria Scott and she is a daughter of the late Andrew Frederick and Clara Mabel Mackey.

Their children are Mrs. Arthur (Nancy) Gilkes of Pittsburgh, John Mark Scott Jr. of Avella R.D.1, Mrs. Paul (Amy) Stokes of Graysville, and Sarah C. Scott of Pittsburgh.

The couple's grandchildren are Arthur and John Gilkes; Andrew, Benjamin and Hope Scott; and Adam and Cristin Stokes.

Mr. Scott, before retiring, was a longtime pastor of North Buffalo



**50TH ANNIVERSARY** 

United Presbyterian Church, and is now minister of visitation at Hiland Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh

Mrs. Scott is active in local municipal government and is a home-maker.

The couple requests that gifts be omitted.



60TH ANNIVERSARY — Open house was held Sunday, Sept. 16, in Hickory Fire Hall for the 60th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clemens of Hickory. Mrs. Clemens is the daughter of the late James and Elizabeth Kelly, and her husband is the son of the late Edward and Margaret Clemens. They were married September 20, 1913, in Wellsburg, W.Va., by the Rev. Mr. Holmes, and are the parents of seven children, Russel W. Clemens of Cherry Valley; Peg Grabski of Slovan; Betty Donaldson, Mary Walters, Helen Cooke and Clara Bell Goughenour, all of Hickory, and a daughter, Beulah Mae Allen, who died in 1940. There are 19 grand-

children and 19 great-grandchildren.

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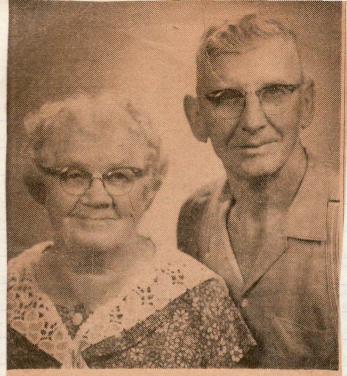
#### Goughenour-Kennedy

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clemens. Hickory, announce the marriage of their daughter, Clara Kennedy, to Burl Goughenour of Marianna. The marriage took place Nov. 5, with Rev. John Mark Scott, pastor of the North Buffalo United Presbyterian Church, officiating.

Attendants were the bride's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Walters. The bride was attired in a navy blue suit with corsage of yellow rosebuds. Her attendant wore a gray suit with corsage of red rosebuds.

After the wedding a reception was held at the newlyweds' home in Hickory. Guests were present from Claysville, Cherry Valley, Slovan and Hickory. The couple received many beautiful and useful gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Goughenour are at home to their many friends in the Beaumariage property, Hickory. >



WED FIFTY YEARS-Friends are invited to call Sunday, September 22 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clemens of Hickory who are observing their 50th Wedding Anniversary. They have 7 children, 18 grandchildren, and 7 great grandchildren.

# Hickory Couple To Mark 50th Anniversary Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clemens late Edward and Margaret Clemof Hickory will observe their ens and Mrs. Clemens is the fiftieth wedding anniversary Sun daughter of the late James and day, September 22. Friends are Elizabeth Kelley. invited to call at their home. Their seven children are Rus-

burg, West Virginia, by the Rev. Grabski of Slovan, Betty Donald-Holmes on September 20, 1913, son, Mary Walters, Helen Mr. Clemens is the son of the Cooke, and Clara Bell Goughen-

They were married in Wells-sel W. of Cherry Valley, Peg our all of Hickory. One daugh-

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#### Bride-Elect



Mr. and Mrs. John Casey of Atlasburg announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Margaret, to SP-4 Charles P. Walters, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Walters of Hickory. Miss Casey is a senior at Burgettstown Area High School. Her fiance is serving in the United States Army, now stationed in Germany after completing two tours of duty in Vietnam. Wedding plans are indefinite.

# Engaged



Mr and Mrs. Verner Mcore, Hickory, announce the engagement of their daughter, Nancy Lynn, to Bernie Vizyak, Avella R. D. 1. Miss Moore is a 1966 graduate of Fort Cherry High School and is employed at Brody's Furniture, McDonald. Her fiance is employed at Coll Tire Company, Burgettstown. No wedding date has been set.

# Secret of their success:

# 'Sometimes you're boss and sometimes you ain't'

It may be her diamond anniversary, but Mabel Kelley said diamonds have never been her best friend.

James and Mabel Kelley of 20 Euclid Avenue, Washington, are celebrating their 75th anniversary today.

"That's something I don't have is a diamond. Jim wanted to get them for me, but I don't care a thing about them," Mrs. Kelley said.

The Kelleys have known each other since they were children.

Mrs. Kelley said in their youth they often square danced in Buffalo, Canton and Chartiers townships.

They were married April 11, 1914, in Wellsburg, W.Va. Although Wellsburg was known as a marriage capital at that time, Mrs. Kelley said she and her then-fiance chose Wellsburg "just for the trip."

The couple lived on a farm in Buffalo Township for 30 years.

"That's where we reared our eight boys," Mrs. Kelley said.

Their son, James Everett, still lives there. He raises corn, oats and beef cattle.

The Kelleys have lived the rest of their married life on Euclid Avenue.

"There's been a lot of ups and downs," she said. Asked if she had any advice for couples hoping to reach a diamond anniversary, Mrs. Kelley said, "Just fight it out. You have to give and take. You have to give in sometimes. Sometimes you're boss and sometimes you ain't."

Mr. Kelley is the son of the late James and Elizabeth Kelley. Mrs. Kelley is the daughter of the late James and Mary I. Roupe of Wolfdale.

They have eight sons, J. Everett, George W., Walter L., T. Earl, Samuel C., Edward M., John R. and David H., all of Washington; 28 grandchildren; 62 greatgrandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

Mr. Kelley is retired from Hazel Atlas Glass Plant No. 2. Mrs. Kelley will celebrate her 94th birthday in June and Mr. Kelley will be 95 in July.



MR. AND MRS JAMES KELLEY marking 75th anniversary today

# Roy J. Zoog, Bridgeville Girl Wed In Bethel Park

#### Couple Takes Wedding Trip To Florida

Susan Marie Ringel, of 419 Shady Avenue, Bridgeville, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles O. Gilchrist, Columbiana, Ohio, became the bride of Roy J. Zoog. son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Zoog, Hickory, in a double ring ceremony performed by Rev. Robert Messenger in Christ United Methodist Church, Bethel Park, at 4:30 p.m. Saturday, July 19, 1969.

Mrs. David Caldwell was the organist.

The bride was given in marriage by her stepfather. She wore a floor length gown of silk organza with a train and short sleeves embellished with alencon lace. Her fingertip veil was of silk il-lusion. The bridal bouquet was composed of a princess orchid, stephanotis, white roses and ivy.

The matron of honor was Mrs. Ronald Bacon, the bride's sister. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Fred Wilson and Miss Nancy Schneider. They wore gowns of pink linen.

Lou Kirchner was best man. The ushers were David Avolia, Richard Strauss and Frank Ringel, the bride's brother.

A reception for 225 guests was held in Capelli's ark 50th Restaurant, Bridgeville, following the ceremony.

Upon their return from a wedding trip to Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., the couple will reside at 419 Shady Avenue, Apt. 2, Bridgeville.

The bride is a 1961 graduate of Bethel High School and a 1965 graduate of Mount Union College. She is employed as a teacher in the Upper St. Clair School District.

The bridegroom graduated from Hickory High School in 1959 and is a 1963 graduate of Washington and Jefferson College. He is a member of Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity. He is employed as a secretary by the Bridgeville Trust Company.



MRS ROY J. ZOOG



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# Edward Lonchieks Mark 50th

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lonchiek of Hickory celebrated their golden wedding anniversary with a family dinner at their home.

The couple were married September 4, 1935. Mrs. Lonchiek is the former Josephine Poznak, daughter of the late Andrew and Katherine Poznak. Mr. Lonchiek's parents are the late John and Katherine Lonchiek.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonchiek are the parents of three children, Mrs. William (Jane) Sinning of Pittsburgh, Mrs. Donald (Lisa) Murray of Washington, and Edward Lonchiek of Provincetown, Mass. They



MR. AND MRS. EDWARD LONCHIEK

incetown, Mass. They also have seven grand- sons.

Flower girl was Lisa Donati, Hickory, and ring bearer was Ricky Moore, Midway, cousin of the bride.

George Norton, Wheeling, was best man and ushers were Bernard Vizyak, Joffre, uncle of the bride, and Robert V. Strike, Hickory, brother of the bride.

Aides at the reception held in Hickory Fire Hall were Mrs. William Donati, Mrs. Paul Pakisz, Mrs. Ben Mader, Mrs. Walton Moorehead, and Mrs. Raymond Martin. Signing of the bride's book was supervised by Patti Pakisz, cousin of the bride.

The bride, a graduate of Fort Cherry High School, is employed by Washington Foodland. Her husband, a graduate of Linsley Military Institute and West Virginia Wesleyan College, is employed by R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company.

The newlyweds will reside at West Hallam Avenue, Washington, following their return from a trip in the Southern States.

### Hickory Couple Wed 54 Years

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clemens of Hickory were pleasantly entertained Sunday in honor of gifts and flowers and a large cake.

Callers included Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Seaman of Claysville; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bumgardner, Pam and Kim, Washington R. D. 6: Mr. and Mrs. James Clemens and Marcia, Jimmie and Chris, Langeloth; Mrs. Burl Goughenour and Gary, Janet, Peggy and Amy, Mrs. O. H. Cooke and Donnie and Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Walters and Butch, Mr. and Mrs. William Donaldson, Charles Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Strike and Debbie, Miss Sue Strike, Miss Wanda Dinsmore, Patty and Nancy Kennedy.

#### Engaged



Mary Elizabeth and John Roman announce the engagement of their daughter Mary Elizabeth to Charles David Clingenpeel of Burgettstown.

Charles is the son of Ertha and Woodrow Clingenpeel of Moon Town-

ship.

Mary Elizabeth is employed at Hawthorn Manor - A. R. Building in Oakdale.

Charles is employed at Testa's Machine Inc. in Slovan.

A wedding date has been set for December 1990.

## Bride-Elect



Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Kelley, Hickory, announce the engagement of their daughter, Carolyn, to Renzie L. Davidson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Renzie Davidson, Hickory. A fall wedding is being planned.

#### Phillips - Wilson

Colette Wilson and Thomas Phillips were married August 26, 1995, in United Presbyterian Church, Hickory. The 3:30 p.m. ceremony was performed by Dr. Keith Nickles.

The bride was given in marriage by her parents, Clarence and Carole Wilson of Washington. The late J. Clark and Nora Phillips are the parents of the bridegroom.

Matron of honor was Shirley Jones of Washington. Attendants were Karen Kopko of Washington; Melissa Phillips of California, daughter of the groom; Amy Phillips of Charleroi, daughter of the groom; and Andrea Kopko of Washington.

Best man was Billy McClelland of Washington. Ushers were Dave Zalewski of Washington; Ricky Kovalcik of Avella; and sons of the bride, Jimmy and Zackery Maier of Canonsburg.

A reception was held at the Alpine Club, Washington.

The new Mrs. Phillips is a 1977 graduate of Trinity High School



and a 1979 graduate of Penn Commercial Beauty Academy. She is a secretary at Kopko Construction, Washington.

Her husband is a 1971 graduate of Fort Cherry High School and served with the U.S. Army in security. He is a service technician for Agway, Meadow Lands.

The couple took a wedding trip to Aruba, Venezuela, Martinique, St. Thomas and Puerto Rico and are living in Washington. The couple took a trip to the Bahamas.

They will reside at 20B Pem Brooke Court, Pittsburgh, after August 5.

The bride, a dietician for Colonnade, Pittsburgh, is a graduate of Fort Cherry High School and Muskingum College, New Concord, O.

Mr. Anderson is a graduate of Penn Hills High School and Muskingham College, and is a member of the National Guard, Greensburg Unit. He is a sales representative for Mine Safety Appliances.



MARRIED 45 YEARS — Mr. and Mrs. Tony Allen of Washington R. D. 5. will celebrate their 45th wedding anniversary at a family dinner given by their children in the Holiday Inn, Sunday, January 8. Mr. and Mrs. Allen were married in Claysville, January 6. 1922. Mr. Allen has been employed by the Molybdenum Corporation for the past 25 years. They are the parents of six children: Leroy Allen, Washington R. D. 5.; Evert Allen, Washington; James T. Allen, Hickory; Louise Powell, Waynesburg; Sherman Allen, Washington R. D. 5., and Lloyd Allen, Country Club Road. There are 12 grandchildren.

### Mrs. Walker Feted At Picnic

Mrs. Winfred Walker of Hickory was honored at a picnic at the home of Ethel Dinsmore.

The Walkers have resided in Hickory the past 20 years, but will return to Texas Sept. 8.

The day was spent in conversation. The honored guest was presented a farewell gift. Present were:

Veronica Wilson, Bethel Park; Mary Toward, Olive Cowden, Myrna McCalmont, Mary Esther Ray, Gladys Cowden, Gertrude Phillips, Sherry Phillips, Lena Findling, Florence Britt, Ethel Dinsmore and the honor guest, all of Hickory.



Graduated from the practical nursing class of the Western Area Vocational Technical School included: row 1 L. to R. Darlene Dami, Jannine Scultz, Mary Sedora, Laureen Glieve, Kim Whitfield, Judy Johnston and Dorothy Margaria. Row 2 L. to R. Delanie Rohrbacher, Sandra Sayre, Terry McCutcheon, Ed Yankovitch, Amy Goughenour, Lynda Giuffrida, Linda Schirosky, and Linda Gwynn. Row 3 L. to R. Anna Woodburn, Debby Mawhinney, Darleen Waggoner, Vickie Fields and Carol Dille Oct 85

Photo by Virginia Simon

## Kumer - Reed

The Hickory United Presbyterian Church was the setting for the Saturday, June 24, 1989, doublering ceremony that united in marriage Sherri Annette Reed and Gregory John Kumer. The Rev. Stuart D. Broberg officiated at the 4:30 p.m. nuptials. Organist was Toni Sears.

The bride is the daughter of Donald G. and Shirley Reed Sr. of Hickory. Parents of the bridegroom are John and Donna Kumer of Hickory.

The bride was given in marriage by her father.

Kris Georgetti of Avella was the matron of honor with Sherri Doumont of Hickory, cousin of the bride, as maid of honor. Attendants were Cheryl Reed, sister of the bride, Terri Kumer, sister of the bridegroom, and Lori Bedillion, all of Hickory, and Lori Valduga of Washington, cousin of the bride. Flower girl was Amanda Seybert of Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

Ralph Kumer of Washington served as his brother's best man. Ushers were Don Reed Jr., brother of the bride, John McGivern and Tony Coffield, both of Hickory, Rich McGinnis of Houston and



MR. AND MRS. KUMER

Barry Main of Washington. Ring bearer was Timmy Poland of Washington, nephew of the bridegroom.

A reception for 350 guests was held at the Hickory Fire Hall with Tracy McFarland, cousin of the bridegroom, in charge of the bride's book.

Both are graduates of Fort Cherry High School. The bride is a graduate of Penn Commercial Beauty Academy and is a hairdresser at Country Cuts in Avella. The bridegroom is employed by Al Lorenzi Lumber Co.

After a wedding trip to Niagara Falls, the couple will be making their home in Hickory.



MAY 29 WEDDING — Mr. and Mrs. Burl Goughenour of Hickory announce the engagement of their daughter, Peggy Jo, to Dan Bracher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Bracher of Raytown, Mo. Peggy Jo, a graduate of Fort Cherry High School, is a secretary for Custard Insurance Co. Her fiance, a graduate of Raytown South High School, is employed by the Sante Fe Railway in Kansas City, Mo. A May 29 wedding is being planned.

Guess Who's...



#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

and many, many more!

Love from

Mom, Sister and brothers

#### Local Man **Faces Charges**

A Washington man, charged with disorderly conduct, making terroristic threats, resisting arrest and public drunkeness was released from the County Jail after making bail.

James C. Cowden Jr., 37, of 269 South College Street, was arraigned Saturday before Magistrate June Lilley on charges filed by the McDonald Police Department. His bond had been set at \$2,500 with 10 percent

acceptable.

According to a spokesman for the McDonald Police, Cowden had been banned from Kio's Lounge, McDonald, as the result of an incident which occurred a couple of years ago. Cowden entered the bar on Saturday night and refused to leave, police said.

#### Aspen Honeymoon Follows Cooke-Herman Ceremony

A honeymoon trip to Aspen, Colo., followed the October 29, 1983, wedding ceremony of Amanda Herman and Donald E. Cooke. The Rev. James Adair officiated the 4:30 p.m., doublering ceremony at the First United Presbyterian Church, Houston, and Judy Lutz was organist.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. John P. Herman, Canonsburg, and Mr. and Mrs. O.H. Cooke of Hickory. Grandparents of the bride are Mrs. Julia Testa of Canonsburg. The bridegroom is the grandson of Mrs. Minnie Clemens of Slovan.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of Chantilly lace overlay and a mantilla-style headdress.

Mrs. Judi Kemis, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. Justena Jawn Kemis, niece and godchild of the bride, was junior bridesmaid.

Gordon Cooke served as his brother's best man and John E. Kemis III, nephew of the bride, was junior usher.

Jenna Aquaria Kemis, niece of the bride, was flower girl and Joshua Isaiah Kemis, nephew of bride, was ring bearer.

The blue satin gowns worn by the matron of honor, bridesmaid and flower girl were made by Mrs. John P. Herman, mother of the bride.

A reception for 150 guests was held at the Red Fox Lodge, Hickory. Rita Cooke, sister-in-law of the bridegroom, was in charge of the bride's



MRS. COOKE

book. Mrs. Judi Kemis, sister of the bride, designed and made the five-tier wedding cake.

The bride is a 1977 graduate of Canon-McMillan High School and a 1983 graduate of Penn Commercial. Her husband, a 1975 graduate of Fort Cherry High School, is employed by Norfolk and Southern Railroad.

The couple are residing in Hick-

ory.



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#### Restaurant destroyed

A fire early Saturday in Hickory destroyed J.J.'s Restaurant, commonly known as The Shanty, and an adjacent craft shop, Gracie's Country Gifts. Several vacant stores in the complex, located at the intersection of Routes 18 and 50,

sustained smoke, water and heat damage. The state police fire marshal will investigate the blaze, which was battled by more than 100 firefighters in near-zero temperatures.

# Hickory restaurant destroyed by fire

By Terri T. Johnson

More than 100 firefighters from 10 fire departments battled a blaze for four hours early Saturday that destroyed a Hickory restaurant and craft shop.

Three adjacent vacant stores were heavily damaged by smoke, water and heat.

J.J.'s Restaurant and Gracie's Country Gifts, commonly referred to as The Shanty, at the intersection of Routes 18 and 50, were destroyed when fire ripped through the one-story frame buildings, according to Mick Maga, chief of the Mt. Pleasant Vol-

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unteer Fire Department.

Firefighters were hampered by a lack of water and near-zero temperatures as they battled the fire, which started shortly after 3 a m

"The nearest hydrant is 5 miles away so we had to haul all the water in. The road iced over and really, everything iced up," Maga said.

The temperature at 3 a.m. was 9 degrees, with a wind chill factor of 27 below zero, according to a spokesman from the National Weather Service in Pittsburgh.

There were no serious injuries reported, according to Maga, adding several fire-fighters suffered minor cuts and punctures from nails.

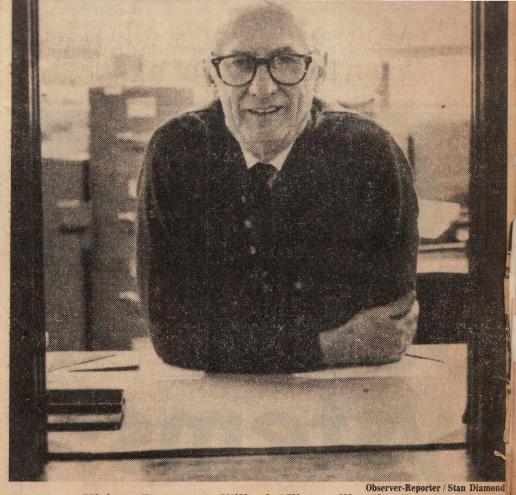
He said it was difficult to place a dollar amount on the loss, but estimated the fire caused about \$50,000 in damage.

"The cause of the fire is under investigation, but it might have been caused by a wood burning stove," Maga said.

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The state police fire marshal will be asked to investigate.

A false ceiling caused the fire to spread and made fighting the fire difficult, according to Maga.



Hickory Postmaster Willard Allison will retire Dec. 1.

## Where does the man stop and the building begin?

By Patrick Ponticel, Staff Writer

ICKORY — You can take the post office out of the man, but you can't take the man out of the post office.

Or something like that.

The point is, when Willard Allison retires as Hickory postmaster Dec. 1, he won't stray far from the postal scene.

As a mischievous kid, he used to ride his bicycle through an abandoned building that later would become home to the Hickory Post Office. As a young man, he worked in the same building as a part-time postal clerk, then as postmaster. And upon retirement, he will establish his personal office — where else. . . in the same building.

No wonder it's called the Allison Build-

And for extra measure, the man they call "Bud" is going to be the building custodian.

His father, Willard Allison Sr., a post-master himself before the younger Allison became head mailman in 1967, purchased the building in 1945. Willard Jr. started as a part-time postal clerk in 1953, and has been there ever since.

Allison, it seems, is as much an institution in Hickory as the post office.

And the Allison name will continue, if not in the ranks of postmaster, at least in the ranks of the postal service. His son, Bill, is a carrier in Bulger, "but he's not interested in becoming postmaster," said his father.

Despite the enjoyment he has derived from being postmaster, Allison said he is excited about escaping the eight-in-themorning-to-five-in-the-evening routine.

"On my first day of retirement, I'm going to sleep in, relax, take it easy."

But not long afterward, he will be at his office, "checking up on Jim." Jim Carlisle, that is. Carlisle, Hickory's mail carrier since 1965, and Allison have been fafriends for more than two decades. Discussing the goings-on in Hickory has been a favorite pastime for the guys.

Allison's personal office will be separated from the post office by a mere wooden door, and he and Carlisle will see plenty of each other after Allison's retirement.

"He's terrific. He's the best postmaster I've ever had," Carlisle said respectfully of Allison. But in the next breath, with no less respect, Carlisle said, "He's the only one I've ever had.

"I regret he's retiring now. I'd like to see him stick around a little longer so we could

go out together.'

For many Hickory residents, Allison is the only postmaster they have known. And judging from the countless conversations Allison finds himself involved in with the townsfolk doing business at the post office, the respect is mutual between the postmaster and the community.

ter and the community,
"The people in Hickory are great,"
Allison said.

He said he hopes the community will treat the new postmaster with as much warmth as it did him.

To Tracey L. Davies of 413 McClelland Road, Canonsburg, July 19, 1992, at Magee Women's Hospital, Pittsburgh, a son, Tanner Gravelle Davies. Maternal grandparents are Ivor G. and Mary M. Davies of Canonsburg.

To Gordon and Rita Cooke of Hickory R.D. 1, at St. Clair Hospital. on April 19, 1989, twins, a daughter, Christa Dawn, and a son, Clayton Alexander. Maternal grandparents are Frank and Dolores Alexander of Sturgeon. Paternal grandparents are Orville and Helen Cooke of Hickory R.D. 1. Maternal great-grandparents are Leo and Helen Baronti of Neville Island

To Michael and Amy Bongiorni of McDonald R.D.3 on August 5, 1992, at Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, a son, Michael Geno. Paternal grandparents are Robert and Maryann Bongiorni of Burgettstown. Maternal grandparents are Burl and Clara Goughenour of Hickory. Paternal great-grandmothers are Rose Bongiorni of Cape Coral, Fla., and Katherine Esno of Burgettstown.

#### 96 Hickory

The daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. Burl Goughenour in Wash-

ington Hospital, June 28, has been named Amy Beth. Mrs. Goughenour is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clemen/

#### Robbery Suspect Wounds Himself

HICKORY — Following a thwarted robbery attempt at the Hickory Junction Bar Friday night, state police said the suspect went to his Hickory home and shot himself in the head.

State police reported Anthony Joseph Stankiewicz, 38, entered the bar about 8 p.m. Friday and ordered a six-pack of beer. When bartender James Dry asked for \$3, the suspect responded he did not have any money. John Grose,

owner of the bar, also asked for the

The suspect then allegedly pulled a 6-inch hunting knife on the two men, made a threat and left the bar. Grose said he followed the suspect outside when another threat was allegedly made by Stankiewicz. Grose returned to the bar and locked the door.

When state police arrived at the Stankiewicz home, they heard several shots. They were greeted by Stankiewicz' wife who said her husband had shot himslef. Stankiewicz was found in the living room with a .22-caliber rifle nearby. A bullet had grazed his scalp.

Stankiewicz was treated at Washington Hospital and taken to Mayview Hospital for evaluation.

State police said they will charge him with robbery and assault upon his release from Mayview.



NO GENERATION GAP — Five generations of the family of Mrs. Birdie Myers, Washington, R. D. 5, and the late Albert Myers, are shown at a recent get together. Seated, from the left, are Mrs. Myers and her son, Tony Myers, Washington, R. D. 5. On Mr Myer's lap is his great grandson, Billy Smiley, nine months old, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Smiley Waynesburg, R. D. 2. From the left, standing, are William Smiley and Mrs. Glen Powell, Waynesburg, R. D. 2, the daughter of Mr. Myers. Mr. Smiley Mrs. Powell's son by a former marriage.

#### CLEMENS

The Clemens reunion was held July 13 in the home of William J. Donaldson.

Prizes were awarded to: Mrs. Birdie Myers, oldest woman; Chalres Clemens. oldest man; Amy Beth Goughenour, youngest baby; Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Seaman, farthest away.

The next reunion is planned for the second Sunday in July

at the same place.

Attending were: Mrs. Anna Hartzog; Mr. and Mrs. Tony Allen, Mrs. Birdie Myers, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Clemens, and Patty Kennedy, all of Washington; Mr. and Mrs. John Kelley Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Kelley, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Kelley, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Seaman, Mrs. Mandy Myers, Claysville;

Willis Clemens and James Clemens, Coon Island; Russel Clemens, Mrs. Jerry Krenzelak, Brain and Mark, Cherry Valley; Gerge Haught, Wastland; Ronnie Grabski and Dottie Kincade, Beaver Falls; Mr. and Mrs. Tony

Filauro, Primrose;

Mr. and Mrs. James Clemens, Marcia, Jimmy, and

Chris, Langeloth; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clemens, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Walters, Mrs. O. H. Cook, Donnie and Gordon, Jack Clemens, Regina Cilia, Charles Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Burl Goughenour, Nancy, Gary, Peggy, Janet, and Amy Beth, Mr. and Mrs. William Donaldson, all of Hickory.

#### Five Injured At Hickory

Five persons were taken to Washington Hospital after a two - car collision on Route 50 at Hickory at 9 p. m. Wednes-

James E. Rice, 18, of 320 Murray avenue, Bridgeville, one of the drivers, suffered head and facial lacerations.

Sarah Dempster, 15, of Carnegie, suffered facial bruises, and Victoria Gates, 15, of Bridgeville, had a laceration of the head. Both were passengers in Rice's car.

The other driver, Hazel Rea. of Avella R. D. 2, suffered a fractured leg, and Debra Rea, 11, had a neck injury.

State Police said Rice crossed the road and struck the Rea car, which was traveling in the opposite direction.



PRIMARY MEDAL WINNERS are front row, from left, Jenna Lemley, Katie Fehl and Brittany Bongiorni. Back row, Kevin Powell, Stacy Ardeno, Nick Heirendt and Janet Gilbert.

### Seaman Family Plans Reunion

The W. L. Seman family will have a get - together Sunday afternoon and evening, March 13, in the Community Building, Main street, Claysville. This is the first time the family has been together in three years. Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Seaman and family have just returned from Scotland, where Mr. Seaman was stationed with the Jnited States Air Force.

Wilbert and Emily Scott Seanan marked their 25th wedding nniversary in January and the ccasion will be celebrated at his time. They are the parents f seven children, and there are three grandchildren.

Friends of the family are welcome to attend the Sunday gathering. MARCH '66

#### Engaged



Mr. and Mrs. Marino Cilia, Avella R. D. 2, announce the engagement of their daughter, Regina, to Jack L. Clemens, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Walters, Hickory. The brideelect is a 1967 graduate of Avella District High School and a 1968 graduate of Duff's Business Institute, Pittsburgh. She is employed by McGraw Edison Powers System Division, Canonsburg. Her fiance was graduated from Fort Cherry High School in 1965 and served for three years with the Armed Services. He is employed by St. Joseph Lead Company, Monaco. No wedding date has been set.



#### 1946 production champs

The Westland coal mining production champs of 1946 were, standing, from left, Joseph Kolba, Chester Casper, George Telesko Sr., Frank Ergan and Frank Mrenak; front row, Charles Sample. Ignatz Suhayda, Walker Lynch and Albert Suhayda (photo courtesy of Chester Casper).

#### Herman Engels Wed 25 Years

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Engel, McCarrell Road, Hickory, will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary Sunday, September 14, with an open house in their home from 2-6 p.m. Friends, neighbors, and relatives are invited.

The former Martha Joan Ray and Herman John Engel were married September 12, 1944 by the late Rev. C. T. Lytell, former pastor of the Venice United Presbyterian Church, in the home of the bride.

Mrs. Engle is the daughter of James and Mary Esther Paul Ray, Hickory and Mr. Engel is the son of the late Herman and Clara England Engel.

Mr. Engel is employed as road foreman for Mt. Pleasant Township.

They are the parents of three children: Karen, a registered nurse at Washington Hospital; Susan and John, both at home.

#### TWO MEN HAVE BEEN

arrested, and a warrant has been issued for another in connection with the Nov. 22 robbery of the One Stop convenience store in Hickory.

Arrested by state police and charged with robbery and criminal conspiracy were Terry L. Kover, 23, of Houston, and James H. Clemens, 25, of Hickory.

William J. Stankowski, 22, of 382 McLane Farms Road, Washington, remained at large Wednesday night.

Kover and Clemens were released on nominal bond after being arraigned by District Justice June Lilley.

#### Hickory

Mr and Mrs. Paul Walters held a wiener roast at the home nd Janet, Amy and Peggy Jo, Beaver Falls; Mr. and Mrs.

Mr. and Mrs. Willian Donaldson, Chuck Miller, Mr and Mrs. Paul Walters and Butch, Jack Clemens and Regina Cilia, of Hickory; Mrs. of William Donaldson in honor of Edward Grabski and Shirley and heir son, "Butch," who left for Tammie, and James Strope, lietnam on July 9. Attending Slovan: Mr. and Mrs. James ere Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clemens and Marcie, Jimmie lemens, Mr. and Mrs. O. H. and Chris, Langeloth; Miss ooke and Gordon and Donnie, Patty Kennedy, Washington; Ir. and Mrs. Burl Goughenour Ronnie Grabski and Dottie, BONGIORNI, Robert Dylan, son of Michael and Amy Bongiorni of Southview, on March 9, 1995, at Washington Hospital, Paternal grandparents are Robert and Maryann Bongiorni of Burgettstown, Maternal grandparents are Burl and Clara Goughenour of Hickory.

#### ELEPHANT STEW

One elephant; two rabbits (optional); Salt and pepper to taste.

Cut elephant into bite-size pieces. This should take about two months. Cook over kerosene stove for four weeks at 465°. This will serve 4,500 people. If more are expected, two rabbits may be added. But do this only if necessary, as most people do not like hare in their stew!

#### Car hits school bus, no students injured

escaped injury when the bus in which they were riding was struck from behind while stopped on Route 519 in Hickory, Mt. Pleasant Township, Tuesday afternoon,

The school hus driven by Nancy

state police said.

Nineteen school students

which was unloading students when it was struck from behind by a car driven by Gary Lee Kennedy, 39, of Hickory, state police said.

Neither driver was injured

E. Halling, 46, of Burgettstown, was

stopped behind another school bus,

Fire, fanned by high winds, destroyed the Canonsburg Milling Co. feed mill and damaged three nearby houses in Hickory. Damage was set at \$30,000 to

\$32,000.



ON LEAVE — Spt. 4 Charles P. Walters is spending a 30-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Walters, of Hickory. He has completed one year of duty in Vietnam, and will leave July 17 for another six months of duty there.

#### DUI charges to be filed

A Hickory R.D.1 man will be charged with drunken driving and other traffic violations after his car struck a parked vehicle on Main Street in Hickory about 5:30 a.m. Tuesday, state police said.

Albert J. Shekerko Jr., 22, was traveling west at a high rate of speed when his car hit a parked car and went into a yard at the home of Grandville Cohenour, damaging a sign and some plants. Shekerko was not injured.

#### -police report-

#### Man hospitalized after fight

A Houston man was injured when he was hit by a van after a fight at 10:37 p.m. Saturday at the Palanka Sportsman's Club, North Main Street, Houston.

Chartiers Township police said a large group of people was having a party at the club when a fight broke out. The fight moved outside and into the driveway of the club when one of the people involved got into a van and drove away, hitting Arthur Stimmel, 26, of 537 Railroad Street, Houston, according to police.

He was taken to Canonsburg Hospital and transferred by ambulance to Allegheny General Hospital, where he was listed in good condition Sunday night.

Police said James Clemens, 21, of 155 Elm Street, Claysville, was also hit by the van but he refused treatment. The incident is under investigation and several arrests are pending, police said. They were assisted by police from Canonsburg Borough and North Strabane Township and two Chartiers Township constables.

A HICKORY WOMAN was injured in a one-car accident on

State Route 18 in Mt. Pleasant Township at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, state police said.

Peggy Andrews of Hickory R.D.1 was admitted to Washington Hospital, according to a hospital spokeswoman.

Miss Andrews was trying to pass another vehicle on Rt. 18, when

Miss Andrews was trying to pass another vehicle on Rt. 18, when she lost control of her car because of hydroplaning, according to state police.

#### Nancy Kennedy Recent Bride

Nancy Kennedy and Kenneth McElhaney Jr. were married Saturday, August 10, 1974, in the manse of North Buffalo United Presbyterian Church.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Clara Goughenour of Hickory and the late Ralph Kennedy. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth McElhaney Sr. of Southview are parents of the bridegroom.

The double ring ceremony was officiated by the Rev. John Mark Scott at 4 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dawson of Southview, brother-in-law and sister of the bridegroom attended the couple

Both graduates of Fort Cherry High School, the bride is employed by Bobbie Brooks Inc. and her husband is employed by Gacon Construction.

# Man sente crimina l c

A Hickory man will serve as many as 12 months in jail after pleading guilty Thursday to theft and criminal conspiracy charges before Washington County President Judge Thomas D. Gladden.

James Henry Clemens, 26, Hickory, was sentenced to serve 3 to 12 months in Washington County Jail for his part in the robbery of a Hickory convenience stored in which he admitted he drove the getaway car for two other men. A robbery charge was reduced to theft.

Clemens was also ordered to pay one third of the \$467 stolen in the robbery.

Hickory, announce the marriage of their daughter, Betty, to William Donaldson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Donaldson, Hickory, R. D. 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clemens.

The marriage took place at the home of the Rev. A. I. Dickenson, pastor of the Upper Buffalo Presbyterian Church Wednesday, Aug.

The bride wore a poudré blue

street-length dress with white accessories, and a corsage of white rosebuds. Her only attendant her sister, Clara Clemens who was attired in pink with white a essories, with a corsage similato that worn by the bride.

Ralph Kennedy of Canonsburg, served as best man.

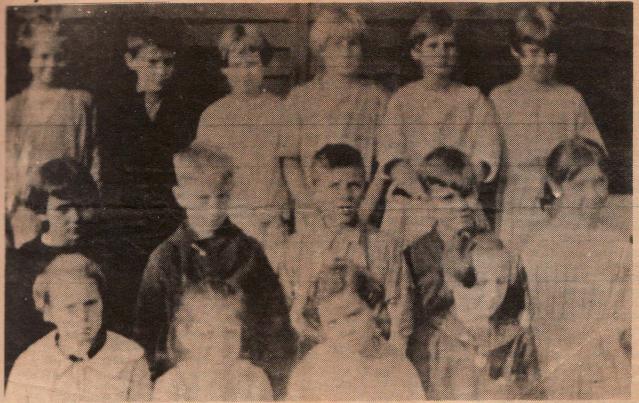
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were honor guests at a chicken dinner served at the home of the bride's parents.

Prior to her marriage the bride was an employe of Herd's Drug store.

After a short wedding trip, the couple are at home to their friends at Hickory, R. D. 1.

#### Taylorstown Grade School In 1924 Long Ago



GEORGIA CROWE, first girl in the last row, was kind enough to lend us this picture. She was Georgia Fields back in the Taylorstown Grade School when it was taken in 1924. It had been pasted on a folder of a 1924 calendar which she

thought so much of she did not tear off the monthly pages. Others in the picture are George Eckles, Dorothy Martin, Joe Phillips, Kenneth Nuzum, Alvin Frye, Bessie Dunn, Sara Conger, Margaret J. Scott and Beaulah Clemens.

# Vandals Damage Hickory School, Fire Department

Vandals broke into the Hickory Elementary School and the Mt. Pleasant Township Fire Hall in Hickory early Monday causing widespread damage to both buildings.

Damage at the school was discovered when teachers reported for an in-service day. There were no classes Monday because of the Veteran's Day holiday.

Jack Schwartz, superintendent of the Fort Cherry School District, said the vandals entered the school by breaking a door window in a second grade classroom.

Rooms were ransacked, four or five windows were broken, furniture was upset, and an aquarium was smashed. Chemicals from the janitor's storeroom were dumped on the floor, locks to various doors were broken, and obscene words were scrawled on the walls with chalk.

Two fire extinguishers were emptied in the building, and they were found where the vandals threw them over a hill outside the building. A storage shed at the football field was also forced open, but there was

nothing of value in the shed.

Schwartz said there appeared to be nothing taken, and no damage to any of the school equipment except for a telephone ripped out in the janitor's room.

Custodians were working to clear the mess Monday morning, and Schwartz said it will not affect school opening Tuesday.

"A few years ago, someone broke into the safe here," Schwartz said, "but we've never had anything like this. This is deliberate vandalism."

A survey is being made to determine a monetary estimate of damage.

In the fire hall incident, virtually every room in the building was ransacked with damage estimated at more than \$1,000.

According to Charles Bezusko, Mt. Pleasant Township Police Chief, the incident occurred after 3 a.m. There was no apparent damage to any of the fire trucks. Although all the phones in the building were ripped out, communications were restored quickly and the department

was operational by mid morning.

Bezusko said a piece of iron pipe from a table was used to bash holes in all the doors. Windows were broken, the freezer and refrigerator were ransacked and food strewn on the floor. Vending machines were forced open, table ware was thrown to the floor from the Women's Auxiliary supply room, and several locks were broken open.

A truck-tractor parked in the fire hall lot was also damaged. A CB radio was ripped from the cab, a sun vizor was torn off, papers were thrown out and the sleeper section was ransacked.

Police said the truck is owned by John McGivern, who lives next to the fire hall.

"I've seen vandalism before, but never to a fire company like this . . . not to something that protects, their own homes," Bezusko said. "They must be sick."

The chief said the fire hall was hit by vandals about four months ago. In that incident, all the wires to the outside of the building were cut, shutting off power and communications.

#### Trial For Mother Whose Baby Was Found Dead Begins

Trial for the mother of an 11-most old baby found dead last September a Jollick Manor will begin Tuesday before President Judge Thomas D Gladden.

A jury of nine women and three men was selected late Monday to hear the case against Elaine Haley who is charged with endangering the welfare of children.

The body of Robert Kelly Jr. was found in an upstairs bedroom at the apartment complex, a death which prompted an investigation into the living conditions inside the apartment.

old McDonald woman was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol after her car overturned early Saturday on Route 980, Cecil Township police said. Janet Kennedy was charged after tests revealed her bloodalcohol level was more than twice the legal limit, police said. Police said Kennedy was traveling north on Route 980 near Reissing Road at 1:45 a.m. when she told police a small animal darted in front of her car. She lost control of the car before it struck an

DRIVER CHARGED: A 40-year-

the car before it struck an embankment and overturned.

Kennedy was treated at Canonsburg General Hospital and released, according to a hospital spokeswoman.

# Convicted kidnapper returned to Pa. jail

By Jon Stevens. Staff Writer

Twelve years after a Washington County deputy sheriff was overpowered, disarmed and taken at gunpoint from the basement of the county courthouse, Robert Castner will begin serving 10 to 20 years for kidnapping.

Castner, 43, was returned Friday to Pennsylvania from Indiana, where he had been confined in a federal prison for robbing banks. At 6:30 p.m. Friday he arrived at the Washington County Jail, where he will be held until he is transferred to Western Penitentiary.

His brother, Larry Castner, 30, also is serving time for bank robbery, and eventually he, too, will be returned to Pennsylvania.

Each was sentenced to 20 years for bank robbery.

The Smith Township brothers

# Area man sentenced for holding deputy sheriff hostage in 1977

were adept at eluding capture. They did it successfully for 15 months, and turned themselves in

only after two women with whom they were living were picked up in Indiana and charged with harboring fugitives.

But before that and before they allegedly robbed banks in Oakdale, Imper-

ial and Heidelberg in May, June and September 1977, respectfully, they engineered a daring escape

R. CASTNER

and kidnapping earlier that year.
The Castners' odyssey began

Feb. 25, 1977.

Robert, on his way to court for a post-conviction hearing, was being escorted by Deputy Sheriff Steve Novicki. Robert was going to challenge a 1976 sentence he received for robbing and threatening a game protector.

Nevertheless, as they approached the elevator in the courthouse basement, Novicki was overpowered and disarmed by Robert and Larry, who had stationed himself nearby.

They took Novicki hostage. Several hours later, after a wild ride through the western part of Wash-

ington County in a getaway car, the Castners released Novicki unharmed near West Alexander.

After their flight, there were at least two bona fide sighting reports. The first was in early June 1977, when police received a reporthe Castners were in an abandone cabin in a remote region of Robinson Township not far from their home in Burgettstown.

Then in mid-August of the same year, a ground and air search involving dozens of police officers failed to flush out what was believed to be the pair.

Finally, in June 1978, the two brothers turned themselves in to the FBI in Indianapolis, Ind., when the two women were arrested. They offered to surrender if the women were freed.

# Frankie N. Nelson and Joseph B. Kehn Jr. remarry

The children and parents of Joseph B. Kehn Jr. and Frankie N. Nelson announce their remarriage. The bride and bridegroom were married the first time for 15 years and had four children: Debra Kehn, Joyn Kehn Dallopiazza, William Joseph Kehn and Jody K. Kehn. They were remarried February 21, 1987, in their home by the Rev. Charles Bails.

The bride is the daughter of Jacob and Iris Nelson of Washington. The bridegroom is the son of Sadie M. Kehn of Pavia, formerly of Hickory, and the late Joseph B. Kehn Sr.

Given in marriage by her father, Jacob E. Nelson, the bride wore an orchid suit.

In pink, Jody K. Kehn of Hickory was maid of honor for her parents.

Serving as best man for his father was William Joseph Kehn, son of the bride and bridegroom.

The new Mrs. Kehn is a graduate of Washington High School, and her husband is a graduate of Hickory



MR. AND MRS. KEHN

High School.

They are making their home in Hickory.





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#### Five generations of Kelleys

James E. Kelley III age 4 weeks, is held by his great-great-grandfather James Kelley Sr., 96. To his right is Edward Martin Kelley Sr., the great-grandfather. In the back is James E. Kelley Sr., grandfather, and James E. Kelley Jr. at right, is the baby's father. All of the Kelley men are from Washington.



PLANT SAFETY RECORD — The local Drakenfeld Division plant of Hercules, Inc., has received a corporation safety award plaque for days worked without a tabulable accident. Oldry Sedenka, production manager, presents the award to Earl Meeks, chairman of the plant safety committee. Standing next to Meeks is John Wright, plant safety engineer. In

the background, from the left: D. Potts, plant superintendent; Mel Sargent, Burl Boughenour, Jim Thomas, Bill Theakston and John Kraushaar, all members of the plant safety committee. As of February 1 the plant had operated 427 days without an accident and the prior record of 369 accident-free days was surpassed last November 30.

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Mt. Pleasant firefighters Mickey Maga, left, and Frank Richards brought an impressive prize back with them from a North Carolina seminar — a rescue truck Richards won in a drawing.

### Stroke of luck

#### Area firefighters bring home some prize — a rescue truck

By Patrick Ponticel. Staff Writer

HICKORY - Five members of the Mt. Pleasant Volunteer Fire Department went to a training seminar in Charlotte, N.C., early in May hoping to bring back with them a thing or two in the way of new technology and procedures.

They did that.

They didn't expect to bring back a brand new, \$30,000 rescue truck.

But they did that, too, thanks to Frank Richards of Southview whose name was drawn from a 55-gallon drum filled with entries. The drawing was held at the close of the three-day training seminar equipment exhibition.

According to contest rules, the truck became the property of the fire company to which the winner belongs.

Ironically, Richards almost missed the drawing. Had he not been there to accept the prize, another name would have been drawn.

"We just stared at each other and laughed when Richards' name was drawn," said MPVFD Chief Mickey Maga. "Someone hollered out that he thought we (the Mt. Pleasant contingent) were gone. and we were afraid they'd pull another name."

But Thomas Krenn of the Mc-Donald Volunteer Fire Department, who accompanied the Mt. Pleasant firefighters to Charlotte. was sitting up front for the drawing and made it clearly known that. indeed, the Mt. Pleasant contingent was in attendance and ready, willing and able to accept the gift.

Richards made his way to the front to accept the prize, and the gang drove the Betten Roll Up truck home the next day, easily negotiating the hills of West Virginia.

Among those who will miss seeing rural mail carrier Jim Carlisle who retired Friday is a friendly and helpful 8-year-old cocker spaniel.

The dog, Duffy, always waits outside his home along Route 18 near the Village Green Golf Course for Carlisle to drive up with the mail. Carlisle gives the day's mail to Duffy who then "delivers" it to his owners, Howard and Shirley Carl.

Carlisle, who has delivered mail for 30 years from the Hickory post office, has briefed his replacement, Nancy Logreco, on his special delivery arrangement with Duffy.

"Jim's been our mailman for 23 years and we're going to miss him," said Shirley Carl. "But Duffy's going to miss him most."

#### CLEMENS The Clemens reunion was held

Sunday, July 9, at the home of W. J. Donaldson, Hickory R. D. 1, with more than 50 attending. The oldest man present was Charles Clemens; oldest woman, Anna Hartzog; youngest baby, Amy Goughenour; those traveling the farthest, Marjorie Johns and Bessie Frazee. Attending were: Anna Hartzog, Clara Thomp-

son, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Kelley, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Baumgardner, Pam, Kim, Judy and Debbie, of Washington; Mrs. Bessie Frazee and Mrs. Mar-jorie Johns, Sharon and Diana

Graysville; Mr. and Mrs. Sher man Seaman, Claysville; Mr and Mrs. John Brager Jr., San dy, Cookie, Johnnie, Jimmie and Terry, Avella.

Mrs. Edward Grabski, Shirley, Linda, Frank and Ron, Slovan; Mrs. Burl Goughenour, Patty, Nancy, Gary, Janet, Peggy and Amy, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wal-

ters, Jack and Butch, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clemens, Mr. and Mrs. James Clemens and Marcia, Jimmy and Chris, Mrs. O. H. Cooke and Gordon and Donnie, Miss Sue Strike, Miss Patty

and Mrs. William Donaldson. Hickory. The reunion next year will be

Poland, Chuck Miller and Mr.

held the second Sunday in July.

### Wolfdale Man Killed By Car

#### William L. Plants, 68, Victim Of Mishap

A Wolfdale man was fatally injured late Tuesday afternoon when struck by a car while crossing Route 844 in Canton Township.

State Police identified the victim as William Lloyd Plants, 68, of 1930 Jefferson avenue.

According to troopers, he was hit by an auto driven by Samuel R. Devenney, 35, of 3051½ Jefferson avenue.

The mishap occurred near the Club 31 tavern about 5:50 p. m. Dr. Ernest L. Abernathy, Washington Hospital pathologist, said Plants was killed instantly.

Police said Devenney was charged with failure to stop at the scene of the accident and failure to reveal his identity. However, troopers added that he later voluntarily returned to he scene.

# Burgettstown bank robbed

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Mrs. Klein said she heard the black truck pass her house on Florence Avenue Extension, headed toward the gamelands, about 15 minutes after she and her husband had been confined to their chairs.

According to their chairs.

According to the dispatcher, the Kleins were in their kitchen finishing supper between 5:15 and 5:30 p.m. when two men knocked on their back door. One of the men pulled his nylon mask down and pointed a sawed-off shotgun at her husband, she said. The two men who robbed the bank were reportedly carrying M16s, the bank official said.

It is unknown if the two men who entered the Klein home robbed the bank, Smith Township Police said.

"I thought they were kidding," said Mrs. Klein, who has dispatched for Burgettstown Borough, as well as Smith and Hanover townships, for the past 14 years. "Then, they yanked a phone out of the wall."

The two men then used duct tape to confine the Kleins to their chairs.

Mrs. Klein said she and her husband

were left facing each other.

"They kept telling us, we don't want to hurt you and they told us they'd be back in 20 minutes to untie us," she said.

Mr. Klein said he was able to free himself by using scissors to cut the tape. He said the scissors were in a drawer near his chair.

In addition to the three police phones, Mrs. Klein said her emergency radios were disconnected.

"All I worried about was my husband. He has a bad heart," she said.

Neither state police nor Burgettstown police could be reached for comment Friday night.



DEATH CAR — Car pictured above, driven by Samuel R. Devenney, 3051½ Jefferson Avenue, struck and killed William Lloyd Plants, 68, of 1980 Jefferson waship late Tues by afternoon.

# Two killed, six injured in head-on collision

REA — Two people were killed and six were injured, one critically, late Thursday in a two-car, head-on crash on Route 50 near the entrance to Cross Creek County Park.

The dead were identified as Tina McKee Markish, 21, of Slovan and Michael Roberts, 23, of Avella. Both were front-seat passengers in a car driven by Robert Donald Eckles, 23, of Avella.

Jodi Lynn Seng, 22, of Avella, who was a front-seat passenger in the Eckles car, is in critical condition in the trauma unit at Allegheny General Hospital, where she was taken by helicopter with back and neck injuries.

Both Eckles and the driver of the other car, Mary Ellen Blasini, 23, of Avella, were admitted to Washington Hospital. Information on their conditions was not available.

The three backseat passengers in the Eckles car, identified by police as Robert Smith, 20, of Burgettstown, Erik Conway,

HINES-In loving memory of Kelsey Nicole Hines 1-6-98 - 12-24-04 on her Birthday



To the brightest little star in Heaven,

We love and miss you so much, Aunt Kathleen, Aunt Cindy, and all of your Family

#### AN AVELLA MAN HAS BEEN charged with drunken driving in connection with a two-car accident Saturday on LR 62029 in Mount Pleasant Township. Four persons received minor injuries.

Joseph E. Yuhas, 33, of Avella R.D.2, was charged with drunken driving after his northbound car crossed the center line and struck an

The operator of the other vehicle, Lawrence S. Heirendt, 17, of 315

oncoming car at 7:50 p.m. about 3½ miles north of Hickory. North McDonald Street, McDonald, and two passengers in his vehicle, Lori Doumont, 16, and Dale Doumont, 17, both of Hickory, all received minor injuries, as did a passenger in the Yuhas vehicle, Joseph S. Yuhas,

9. The elder Yuhas was not injured.

#### Tina L. Markish

Tina Louise Markish, 21, of Slovan, died Friday, August 10, 1990, from injuries received in an automobile accident on Route 50 in Cross Creek Township.

She was born July 1, 1969, in Washington, a daughter Peter Thomas McKee Jr. of Slovan and Shirley Jean Wilkins Cox of Slovan.

Surviving are her husband, Samuel Edward Markish Jr. and two sons, Samuel Edward Markish III and Matthew Thomas Markish, all of Joffre; three brothers, Peter Thomas McKee III and Anthony Carlisle McKee, both of Slovan, and Larry Harshey Jr. of Atlasburg; a sister, Lori Harshey of Atlasburg; and maternal grandmother, Mary Jane Wilkins of Slovan.

Deceased are her maternal grandfather, Arthur Nathanial Wilkins; and paternal grandparents, Peter and Mary McKee. ONE-CAR CRASH: A Hickory man faces a charge of driving under the influence of alcohol following a one-vehicle crash on Route 519 south of Route 50 in Mt. Pleasant Township about 11:15 p.m. Monday.

State police said Eugene D. Karns, 55, was injured when his vehicle went off the road, hit a

tree and went into a culvert.

He was taken to Canonsburg General Hospital and then flown to Allegheny General Hospital in Pittsburgh, where he was listed in serious condition Tuesday.

#### W.Va. man held in the county jail

BURGETTSTOWN - A man who is charged with indecent assault against a 13-year-old girl was in the Washington County Jail on Tuesday in lieu of \$5,000 bail.

Rick Zombeck, 32, of Weirton, W.Va., was arraigned before Magistrate Thomas McGraw of Burgettstown on Monday on charges of indecent assault and corrupting the morals of a minor.

Zombeck, who was arrested by state police Monday, was charged with assaulting the girl on several occasions between October 1984 and September 1986, when charges were filed in the Washington County district attorney's office.

Zombeck's preliminary hearing is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Tuesday,

March 24.



Robert J. Pavuchak/The Pittsburgh Press

## Camel companion

Jim Stephens is the kind of guy who'd walk a mile for a camel. "I just love animals," says Stephens, petting Sierra, a 10-month-old dromedary and the newest acquisition at Stephens' farm of exotic animals near Avella. Sierra came from a camel dealer in Makin, Mo.

#### Birthdays

Mrs. Minnie Clemens celebrated her 86th birthday in her home on Sunday, October 15. She received a phone call from her granddaughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. William Mullen of South Dakota. Those helping Mrs. Clemens celebrate her birthday were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Walters. Mrs. Burl Goughenour and family, Gary, Peggy and Amy, Betty Donaldson, Patty Kennedy, Peg Grabski,

#### Three Jailed For Robbery In Hickory

Three men were arrested by state police Wednesday night in connection with the robbery and beating of a Hickory service station operator.

Being held in the county jail were William Martin Ferguson, 19, of 17 Maple Avenue, Burgettstown, Roger William Walters, 18, of Atlasburg, and Randall Elias, 18, of Joffre, All were charged with robbery and aggravated assault.

State police said Ferguson and Elias were arrested at home and Walters was apprehended in Cecil Township when he was en route from Pittsburgh.

Ferguson and Walters were arraigned before Magistrate June Lilley. Elias was arraigned before Magistrate Henry Mavrich. Bond for all three men was set at \$20,000.

Ralph N. Kurtz, 67, of Hickory R.D.1, was found in his Route 50 gasoline station Monday night by a customer after he had been beaten during a robbery. He was reported in serious condition in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, Wednesday night with severe head injuries.



BASIC TRAINING — Leroy Malone, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Malone, Hickory R. D. 1, entered the U.S. Navy July 28. He is a graduate of Fort Cherry High School and the Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics. He is currently undergoing basic training at Great Lakes Naval Training Center. His address is: SR Leroy Malone, B46 14-57, Co. 948, 2nd Reg., USNRT-RTC, Great Lakes, Ill. 60088.



#### **Five generations**

The family of Eula Townsend Hines, 92, of Amity, has reached the milestone of five generations. Standing behind Mrs. Hines are, from left, her great-grandson, Leonard Sweany of Amity, holding 10-week-old great-great-granddaughter, Rachel Sweany; Maribel Hines Sweany of Clarksville, daughter; and John Sweany of Marianna, grandson.



#### Hickory High School Class of 1948

The Hickory High School Class of 1948 held its 40-year reunion at the Meadowlands Holiday Inn. Those attending were from left, front row: Mrs. Hammett, teacher; Genevieve Caleffe Thomas, Betty Kler Lohr, Scotty Russell, Patty Beaumariage Rhode Stella Rae Evans, Elsie Smith. Second row: Donald Nagode, Roy Briggs, Twila Atchison Martin, Rozella Atchison Beegle, Mary Jane Snedeker Engle, Lois Lee Cowden, Zona Bowen White, Mary Ann Patnesky Ferlic, Richard Lee, Mike Dire, William Milligan, William Loffert, Richard Burgoon.

# Three escape fire at home in Hickory

Three personal care home residents and the owners escaped injury Wednesday afternoon when fire was discovered in an upstairs bedroom of the Hickory home.

"Thank God no one was hurt," said Betty Cohenour, who is the coowner of the DomCare Home in Hickory with her husband, Granville.

The Cohenours and James Hancock, 21, George Brincko, 62, and George Kier, 73, safely escaped from the house shortly after a fire alarm alerted them to the fire at 1:30 p.m.

Mrs. Cohenour was doing laundry when she thought she heard a small burglar alarm ring. But the ringing was one of the several fire alarms in the brick two-story house on Route 50.

"Neither I nor James could get up the stairs because of the smoke," she said.

The fire apparently started in an upstairs bedroom and traveled to the attic, according to Mt. Pleasant Volunteer firemen.

"We are still investigating the cause of the fire," one unidentified fireman said. "I will discuss my findings with Fire Chief Lee Robinson and he will decide whether or not to call in the state



Mt. Pleasant volunteer firefighters Jim Dillards and Wayne Lewis, partially hidden, fight fire at personal care home.

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Cross Creek Lake will soon be one of the premier fishing spots in Washington County.

# Cross Creek To Cure Fishing III

ashington County has always been considered picturesque with its gently rolling farmlands and abundant woodlands.

It has been considered one of the top whitetailed deer producers for the past decade. However, as a county for good bass fishing, Washington never made the top 67, and there are just that many counties in Pennsylvania. This will change soon when bass season opens June 15 because of a 258-acre lake called Cross Creek.

The lake will be open to fishing 6 a.m., Saturday, May 11 for panfish anglers. And if that doens't sound exciting, consider:

The lake, which lies in the 3,000-acre county park of Cross Creek, holds black crappie bass, green bluegills, and thousands of bluegills. Some 5,000 crappies were stocked during the filling of the impoundment and many of the species, including the crappies, weigh from one-quarter to three-quarters of a pound. This was confirmed as the Fish Commission electro-shocked the lake during their research.

The study will continue for approximately three more years and the findings so far have shocked biologists and technicians, who found it hard to believe the bass and other species in the lake have grown to such a size after a short time.

The PFC placed some 100,000 fathead minnows into the lake for predator forage, and they were quickly gobbled up by the largemouth bass and walleyes which inhabit the lake.

Blake Weirich, a commission biologist, and his crew of three technicians are doing extensive research on the lake, specifically growth studies

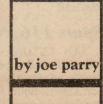
and fish population counts.

Last Wednesday, an electro-shock turned up 502 largemouth bass. Better than 25 percent of this number ranged between 2½ and 3½ pounds. There are a number of reasons for the large

The lake's water quality is excellent. Its pH of above seven makes it rich in lime content, food and cover, three factors necessary for a great bass fishery.

Keith Small and Weirich said that 13,000 largemouth fingerlings and 500 adult breeders were placed in Cross Creek and are growing at an alarming rate. Weirich went as får as to





compare Cross Creek with Lake Arthur, which had more Citation Fish caught from its waters last year than any other lake in the state.

According to Weirich's studies, Cross Creek Lake, which is three miles long with nine miles of shoreline, may hold enough Citation Fish (largemouth bass five pounds and over) within a year to take the title away from Lake Arthur.

The lake, 55 feet deep at the breast with an average depth of 12 feet, is home to millions of walleyes. Three years ago, the PFC stocked it with a million newly hatched walleye, which are growing at an astounding rate.

In 1984, the lake was stocked with 200 adult walleyes, breeders which were nearly two feet long and weighing over three pounds each. The minimum size limit for largemouth bass, unique to Cross Creek Lake, is 15 inches.

Visitors will receive a special regulations book from a Creel Clerk at the park's entrance and other information may be found on page 25 of the Fishing Regulations Summary provided with a Pa. Fishing License.

The bluegill species, the crappies and yellow bullhead catfish all range between eight and 12 inches and are quite thin in girth size. White suckers are showing up in trap nets and some of these are over 18 inches. Nearly 3,500 channel cats were also stocked into the lake.

One trap net recently turned up more than 400 white suckers ranging from 12-18 inches. Those bass which were shocked to the surface were also of good size. More than 125 of the 502 exceeded 15 inches.

Some of the special regulations are as follows:

Park hours are 6 a.m.-10 p.m. and boaters will be given a signal 30 minutes before closing to allow enough time to get their crafts out the water.

Boat engines are limited to 10-HP while boats with larger engines

must have props out of the wa

No Wake areas are bouys and this regulation appliabout 50 percent of the lake

✓ Sail boats, 17 feet or less permitted on the water.

Launch permits are \$5 per

There is a 15-inch limit on and smallmouth bass while the fish limits will be supplied by Creel Creek at the park entrans

Cross Creek Lake is located of 50 near Rea, Pa. From Washingtake Rt. 18 to Rt. Would turn Signs will guide you it on there

While all vehicles must leav park by 10 p.m., walk-in night fi is permitted. Those wishing to must park outside Cross Creek grounds.

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# Flooding forces evacuation in Avella

By Andrew MacBeth

Staff Writer

AVELLA — The congregation at the First Presbyterian Church will probably find Sunday's sermon ironically appropriate in light of flooding Friday morning.

The sermon is entitled, "Walking on the Water."

Storms that brought up to 6 inches of rain Thursday night and early Friday flooded homes in Avella, forcing the evacuation of about 100 residents and keeping firefighters from four companies working

Firefighter hurt, 200 left homeless

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around the clock.

Independence Township Emergency Management Coordinator Joseph Boga said flooding of Cross Creek forced Avella firefighters to evacuate about 100 people from Cedar Grove and Browntown Road at about 1:30 a.m. Chief Gerald McClain estimated about 6 inches of rain fell overnight.

Most of the evacuees stayed with family or friends in higher areas, but eight took refuge in the Avella Area High School, where teachers and Red Cross volunteers gave them coffee and donuts. Classes were canceled Friday and the school will stay open as a shelter over the weekend, Boga said

Jim Morris, an Avella Area schoolteacher who lives on Browntown Road, first noticed about an inch of water in his basement when a neighbor knocked on his door with news of the evacuation at 2:45 a.m. A few minutes later, the water was up to his knees, he said.

Morris, his wife, Toni, and their son spent the rest of the night at the school. When Morris came home at 5 a.m., Cross Creek, which usually flows past his backvard, was flowing through his basement.

The family's dog, which had been chained in the backyard, drowned in the floodwaters.

Theresa Valduga, who lives across the creek on the other side of Browntown Road from Morris, left her home at about 2 a.m.



Houston firefighters directed a steady stream of water on the stubborn blaze that took over 16 hours to completely extinguish. Curious onlookers were kept a safe distance away to avoid possible injury from flying debris.



Houston was divided in half when water flooded the intersection of West Pike Street and Western Avenue after six inches of rain fell before dawn Friday. The driver of the stranded car was not injured. In the background, firefighters battle a fire that started when water allegedly shorted the electric system. Water receded

# Four Charged With Burglary

Four McDonald men have been lodged in the Washington County Jail after being arraigned before Magistrate June Lilley on charges file by the McDonald Police Department.

David Matthews, 19, of 309 Cherry Street; Ralph Rance, 24, of 303 Cherry Street; Thomas S. Tennant, 25, of 320 Center Avenue; and John E. Blussick, 37, of Fannie Street, have been charged with burglary, theft, criminal conspiracy and receipt of stolen property.

A spokesman for the McDonald Police said that the four broke into the Sportsmen's Tavern, South McDonald Street, and removed money from a machine, as well as some beer. The amount of money taken had not been determined Sunday night, the spokes-

man said.

The incident occurred between 2 and 5 p.m. Sunday.

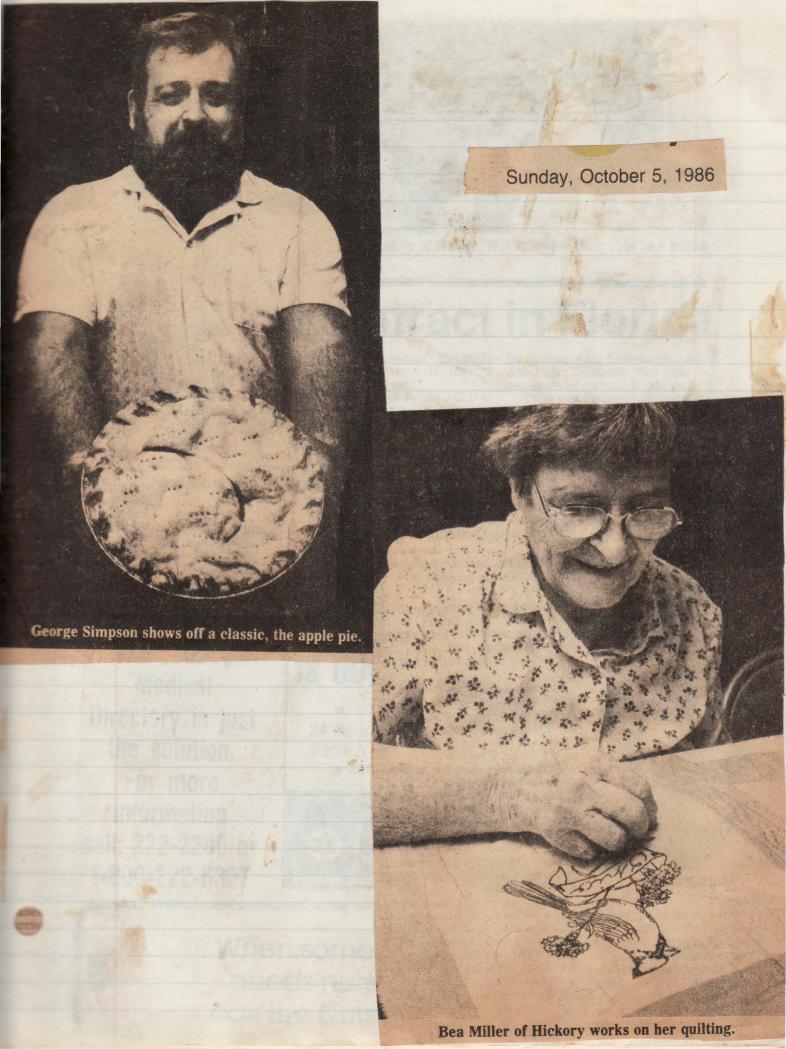
The tavern is owned by Joseph Kosik of Fifth Street, McDonald.

All three were lodged in the jail at 8:10 p.m. Sunday. Bond for all is set at \$2,500 with 10 percent acceptable.

# Legion home to circus workers



Circus worker Jimmy Williams of Ft. Cobb, Okla., wades through floodwaters behind the American Legion in Houston Friday morning.





Hickory Volunteer Fireman Dave Narigon patiently stirs the apple butter at the Hickory Apple Festival. Apple butter is only one of several homemade items that set the Apple Festival apart from all the others. The other items include apple pie, apple cider and, this year, homemade butter.

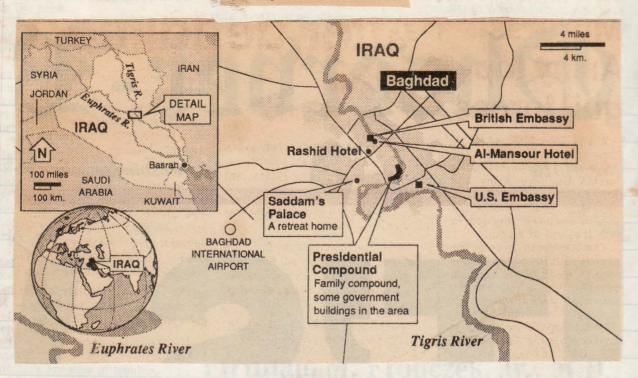


Dr. and Mrs. John McCarrell, right, were chosen honorary king and queen of the festival.



From left, Martha Adamson of Rea, Josephine Krenn of Hickory, Louise Boore of Hickory, and Minnie Cooke of Hickory are quilting as part of the Hickory Apple Festival. The women are working on the quilt pattern, "Old Maid's Rambling." The women quilt every Tuesday at Hickory United Presbyterian Church.







Keeping a close watch on news reports are, from left, Teresa Jackson, holding her daughter, Chelsea, 2, and Caral Boardley, holding her son, Matthew, 3½.

#### **Gulf War memories**

Twenty-eight soldiers were killed in the Scud attack Jan. 17, 1991, in the Persian Gulf War. Two local men, below, with the 14th Quartermaster Detachment, a water purification unit based in Greensburg were among those who died.



Joseph Bongiorni 20, of Hickory



Spc. John Boliver Jr. 23, of Monongahela

#### App - Ulrich

Announcement is made of the engagement of Bethany Leigh Ulrich and George Adam App III, both of Dover.

Bethany's parents are Sandra Ulrich of Bulger and the late Thomas Ulrich. Her grandparents are Betty K. Ulrich of Bulger, the late Nick Ulrich and the late Joseph and Mildred Yamber.

Parents of the future groom are George Jr. and Maureen App of Dover. His grandparents are George App Sr. of Springfield, the late Ruth App and the late Frank and Helen Morris.

The future bride is a 1997 graduate of Fort Cherry High School and a 2003 graduate of Duquesne University. She is a lead community pharmacist at



Wellspan Pharmacy in York.

George is a 1999 graduate of Dover High School and a 2004 graduate of Temple University, Philadelphia. He is store manager at CVS Pharmacy in Lancaster.

Wedding plans are being made for Jan. 24, 2009.

#### **Cherry Valley**

CHERRY VALLEY, Pa.—The name of this pleasant settlement on Little Raccoon Creek in Washington County comes from people, not fruit.

Thomas Cherry pioneered the settlement ...

and for him and his family it was named. Here before 1774, he was accidentally killed in 1775. His son, John, also died violently six years later—from the bullet of an Indian.

Cherry Valley is on a hardtop road off Route
28, between Hickory and Joffre,
mine settlement
on the Burgettstown Midway
Road.



Thomas Cherry came to this frontier when Indians were still menacing. He built three log cabins, surrounded them with a stockade. His place, called Fort Cherry, was on the farm now occupied by J. H. Loffert, about five miles from Hickory in Mount Pleasant Township.

In June, 1781, a band of Wyandots invaded Washington County, took Philip Jackson, a prisoner at his Harman Creek farm.

#### Prize Captive for Indians

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By this time the Indians had come to realize that a white man who was a craftsman was a valuable asset to the tribesmen. Jackson, a carpenter, could build a house. He was a prize catch and the Indians started with him for the territory north of the Ohio River, known then as "Indian Country" and virtually without settlers.

#### By William A. White

Press Staff Writer

Cherry, nine miles away. Night had come when he reached the fort, and a posse of frontiersmen organized to take the trail delayed their start until daybreak.

The Indians, meantime, hoping to outsmart pursuers, took a round about route to the mouth of Tomlinson's Run on the Ohio, now in West Virginia, where they had secreted the raft on which they had crossed the river, and in so doing outsmarted themselves.

John Jack, scout with the Cherry Valley posse, correctly guessed where they had hidden their raft, took the posse in a

straight line to the spot.

#### Avenging Son Falls in Battle

The Indians, about to shove off with their prisoner, were surprised. John Cherry dropped an Indian with his first shot, died himself a moment later when his fire was returned.

Andrew Poe, strapping frontiersman, leaped from a hill upon two Indians, dispatched one and fell into the river in the battle with the other, a noted warrior known as Big Foot. In the water the Indian escaped, reached shore and was loading his rifle when shot down by Poe's brother Adam. Jackson was rescued, unharmed. Only one Indian escaped.

Sometime after a Wyando was sent from Detroit by his chief to avenge the death of Big Foot. He found Andrew Poe's cabin at dark, was believed friendly and was invited to spend the night. When Poe was asleep the Indian went to his bed, knife in hand, but knowing he had been trusted by the white man, lost heart. He left at daybreak, told the story to a missionary when converted later to Christianity.

The old Farrar and White homes, brick structures built 115 years ago from hand-fashioned brick fired in a nearby kiln, still stand on the hill overlooking the highway.

Somewhere nearby, its location long lost, is



#### Miller - 50 years

James C. and Lucille Miller of 429 Fort Cherry Road, McDonald, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on October 19 with a dinner, for family and friends, at the McDonald American Legion. It was hosted by the couple's four daughters and their families.

The Millers were married on October 17, 1947, in the manse of Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church, Hickory, by the Rev. C.S.

Thomas.

Their children are Sharon Stauffer of Aliquippa, Donna Hradil of McDonald, Patty Scott of Hickory and Jamie Torboli of

Hickory.

Their grandchildren are Kimberly Karmann, Jason Stauffer, Rochelle Schmidt, James Kehn, Amanda Hradil and Brian, Jesse and Rebecca Torboli. They also have three greatgrandchildren.

Mr. Miller retired from
McCalmont Brothers Trucking in
1987 after 37 years of
employment. He was previously
employed by Pittsburgh Coal Co.,
Westland, for 13 years. Mrs.
Miller has been employed by
Jake Schneider Bus Contractor
for 21 years.



#### Wilson - 50 years

Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Wilson of 124 McCarrell Road, Hickory, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary November 10. An open house to celebrate the occasion will be held from 2 to 5 p.m. January 3 at Hickory Community Center.

They were married November 10, 1947, in Burgettstown, by the

Rev. Richard Sutton.

Their children are Rebecca Jaworski of Ingham, Queensland, Australia, and Sandra Fry of Washington.

Their grandchildren are Benjamin, Amy and Seth Jaworski and Tim, Jon and

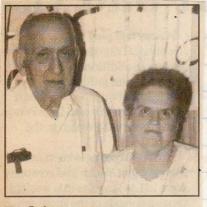
Nathan Fry.

Mr. Wilson is retired from Cunningham Welding and Machine Co., Burgettstown.

They are members of First Baptist Church, Midway.

The couple request that gifts

be omitted.



#### Pakisz - 50 years

Ruth and Paul Pakisz of 33
First St., Slovan, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary during a surprise luncheon Aug. 1 at Old Country Buffet in Bridgeville. Their daughters gave them an Amtrak trip to several western cities.

Mr. and Mrs. Pakisz were married August 28, 1948, in the United Presbyterian Church of Hickory, with the Rev. B.M. Wallace officiating.

Their daughters are Patti Stritzinger of Burgettstown, Paula Basinger of Hookstown and Lori Asti of Pittsburgh. Their grandchildren are Paul and Kevin Stritzinger and Brenton, Chelsey and Blake Asti.

Mr. Pakisz, a WWII veteran, retired from Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel, Follansbee, W.Va., after 35 years of service. He is a 43-year member of the Slovan Volunteer Fire Department. Mrs. Pakisz is retired from Iceland Corp. in Slovan.



#### Kelley - 60 years

Mr. and Mrs. J. Everett Kelley of 389 Reese Road, Washington, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary May 31 at a celebration on the Kelley farm.

They were married June 1, 1937, by the Rev. John DeBolt.

They have 10 children, all of whom attended the celebration.
They are, Ace Kelley, at home;
Mabel Garber, William Kelley and Mary Oatman, all of Washington;
J. Everett Kelley and Louise King, both of Avella; Edward Kelley of Claysville; Nancy Anderson of Stafford, Va.; Evalyn Sibert of Montgomery, Ala.; and Alex Kelley of Martins Ferry, Ohio.

They also have 26 grandchildren, 35 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren.

Mr. Kelley retired in 1980 from Jessop Steel. Mrs. Kelley is a



#### Shumaker - 50 years

Wilbur E. and Marianne T. Shumaker of 10 Grandview Ave., Hickory, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary with a family picnic.

They were married June 28, 1947, by the Rev. John Galbreath.

Mr. and Mrs. Shumaker are the parents of Linda L. Sparks, Susan C. Hendricksen and Kathleen A. Gregg, all of Hickory. Their grandchildren are Kelley Jo Sparks, Jami Lynn Ritchea and Lorianne Hendricksen. They also have a great-granddaughter.



#### Zemaitis - 67 years

tog Edward and Helen Zemaitis of :Westland have marked their 67th -wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Zemaitis were married May 12, 1934. Their children are Betty Lou Durante of -Ganonsburg and Raymond Zemaitis of Monroeville. Their grandchildren are Ralph Abbondanza, Cherisse Sachs, Raquel Gilpin, Mark Zemaitis Fand Cindy Kampetis. They also have five great-grandchildren. Mr. Zemaitis retired from

Consolidation Coal Co. after 47 vears of service.



#### Martin - 65 years

Raymond A. and Thelma V. Martin of Canonsburg mark their 65th wedding anniversary today.

They were united in marriage June 2, 1934, in the manse of the First Presbyterian Church with the Rev. W.E. Slemmons

officiating.

Mr. Martin is the son of Richard W. and Elizabeth R. Martin and Mrs. Martin is the daughter of James "Bert" and Salina Ayres.

They are retired and are members of Venice Presbyterian

Church.



#### McQuillan - 50 years

James and Mona McQuillan of Midway celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on July 20 with a dinner, hosted by their children and grandchildren, at the Ramada Inn, Washington.

They were married July 19, 1947, in Center United Presbyterian Church, Midway, by the Rev. Eldin Bennett.

Their children are Nina of Delaware, Dale and Tom of Midway, Marty of Avella, Richard of Hickory and Nyla of Canonsburg. They have 12 grandchildren and one greatgrandson.

Mr. McQuillan is retired from Chemical Leaman Tank Lines. Mrs. McQuillan is retired from

John Kane Hospital.



#### Milvet - 50 years

John and Anna Faye Milvet of 110 County Park Road, Avella, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary with an open house from 3 to 6 p.m. November 1 at the residence of their daughter, Stella Dire, 97 County Park Road, Avella

They were married January 8.

1947, in Wellsburg, W.Va.

The event is being hosted by their four children, Stella Milvet-Dire, John Milvet, Carolyn L. Milvet and Michael A. Milvet, all of Avella.

Grandchildren include Michael Danna, James Lee, Jennie Lee, Elaine Dire, Melissa Milvet, Michelle Milvet, John Milvet III, Jade Milvet, Joshua Milvet, Michael Milvet Jr., and Kacey Milvet. They also have three greatgrandchildren.

The Milvet's are retired lifelong dairy farmers. He is also retired from Hickory Telephone Co., after 22 years employement, and she is a homemaker.

#### Polen - 55 years

Melvin and Martha Jane Polen of Washington celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary with an open house and family dinner.

They were married December 14, 1946, in Uniontown Presbyterian Church, Uniontown.

Their children are Marcia Bish of Midway, Billie Yuhas of Avella, Clifford Polen of Taylorstown, and a daughter, Patricia Grabski is deceased.

They have 12 grandchildren, Barb Rocco, Bev and Brenda Grabski, Denise Miller, Stacey Holleran, Lisa, Joey and Karey Yuhas, Travis, Tanya, Jessie and Racheal Polen, and three great-grandchildren.



Mr. Polen is retired from Conrail and is a member of the Elks, Bert Siders American Legion Post, metal detectors club and is an avid bowler.

Mrs. Polen is retired from the post office and is a member of Elks and American Legion. She enjoys sewing.



#### Yates - 50 years

Paul and Mary Ferrell Yates of 5 Yates Lane, Eighty Four, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on February 7 with a small family dinner at Curinga's Inn, Washington.

They were married in Canonsburg on February 7,

Their children are Donna Yates-Jones and John W. Yates Sr., both of Eighty Four, Ruth Ann Kirr of Martins Ferry, Ohio, and Paul David Yates Jr. of Slippery Rock. Their grandchildren are Rodney and Dean Yates, John Yates Jr., Heath Taggart and the late Christopher Lee Taggart. They also have one greatgranddaughter.

Mr. Yates was a farmer and truck driver and retired from Suwak Trucking. Mrs. Yates is a homemaker.



#### Leopold - 50 years

Frank and Margaret Leopold of 18 Grandview Ave., Hickory, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary with a private family dinner.

The Leopold's were married on March 8, 1948, at the First Presbyterian Church in Cumberland, Md., by the Rev. William Eisenberger.

Their children are Frank
Leopold of Powhatan Point, Ohio,
and Cathy Whetzel of Hickory and
their grandchildren are Joy Lynn,
Cynde, Jamie, Joshua and Matt.
They also have one greatgrandchild.



#### Kelley - 25 years

In celebration of their silver wedding anniversary, Bill and Melinda Hewitt Kelley of 33 Grandview Ave., Hickory, reaffirmed their wedding vows at a ceremony February 14 at Avery United Methodist Church, Washington. Dr. Allyn L. Ricketts, present pastor, and the Rev. Neal K. Rogers, the pastor who performed their wedding ceremony, officiated. A reception, hosted by their family, was held following the ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelley were married February 8, 1974, in Avery United Methodist Church.

Their children are Stephen M. Kelley, Seth D. Kelley and Jared

W. Kelley, all at home.

Mr. Kelley is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Kelley of Hickory, and Mrs. Kelley is the daughter of Jane Hewitt of Washington and the late Carl Hewitt.

Mr. Kelley is general manager of Nu-Vu Services Inc., Washington. Mrs. Kelley is secretary at Avery United Methodist Church, where they are members.



#### Kelley - 50 years

Edward and Dixie Kelley of 201 Miller Road, Washington, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary with an all-day open house on Friday, December 25, at their home.

They were married December 25, 1948, at the Methodist Church on Fayette Street in Washington, by the Rev. Debolt.

Their eight children are Edward Kelley Jr. of Ashland, Ohio; Shirley Travers of Old Town, Fla.; Paul McCartney and Ronald McCartney, both of Kansas; and Wayne McCartney, Jim Kelley, Tom Kelley and Roger Kelley, all of Washington. They also have 33 grandchildren and 36 great-grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelley are members of New Life Tabernacle Church in Washington. Mr. Kelley worked at Hazel Atlas in Washington for 23 years and later worked at General Concrete in Finleyville. Mrs. Kelley is a

homemaker.



#### Bruckner - 50 years

Reese and Christina Bruckner of Washington celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Friday, June 5, with a family dinner at their home, hosted by their children.

They were married June 5, 1948, in Allison Avenue Baptist

Church, Washington.

Mr. Bruckner is the son of the late Joseph and Myrtle Bruckner and Mrs. Bruckner is the daughter of the late Clyde and Helen Kelley.

Their children are Rick Bruckner of Eighty Four and Sherri Borkowski, Kathy Maloy, Dan, Carl and Greg Bruckner, all

of Washington.

Grandchildren are Rick and Robin Bruckner; Courtney and Erik Bruckner; Chuck, Amy and Jessica Yanniello; Christian and Jacob Maloy; Steven, Ryan and Seth Bruckner; Paul and Aaron Bruckner; and Justin and Lucas Borkowski. Their stepgrandchildren are Trevor and Kurtis Maloy.

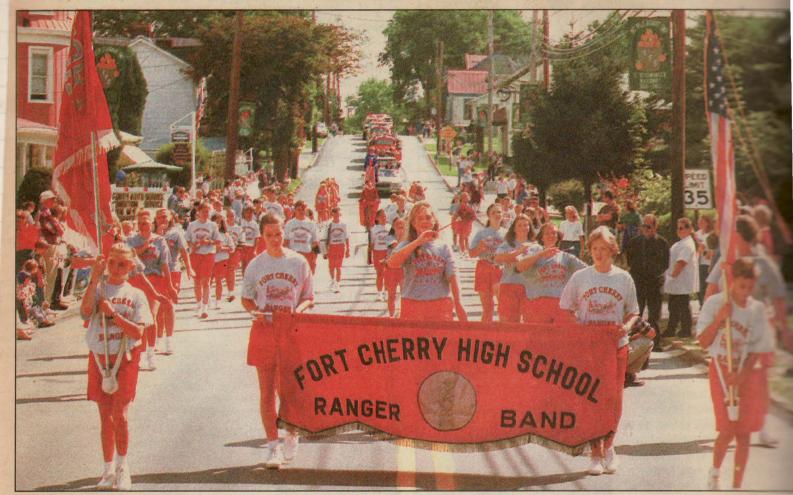
There are also two great-

grandchildren.

Mr. Bruckner is retired from Brockway Glass Plant 7 and is employed by X-Mark Industries. Mrs. Bruckner is a homemaker.

A card shower is requested and cards can be sent to the couple at 1757 Ridgewood Drive, Washington.

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The Fort Cherry Rangers Band performs for a large crowd Saturday in the Hickory Bicentennial Parade.

### Hickory rings in 200th year

A lot of history and a little monkeying around mark birthday celebration

BY TERRI T. JOHNSON

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HICKORY – Two hundred years ago, a group of men rested in an area that would eventually be named Hickory, and enjoyed lunch as they scouted a road to connect Avella and Canonsburg. They found a sled hanging on a hickory tree and used it as their lunch table. Hence, the name Hickory.

On Saturday, thousands lined the road planned two centuries ago to watch a two-hour parade to honor Hickory's 200th birthday during a two-day celebration that concluded Sunday.

Amid antiques, food booths, square dancers and a children's area at the festival site adjacent to the Mt. Pleasant Volunteer Department, old-timers reminisced about the Hickory of the past.

And, as they took in the familiar surroundings, they saw a sight rarely, if ever, seen in the historic little village of Hickory – a capuchin monkey wearing a polka-dot jumpsuit perched on the shoulder of a middle-age man wearing a flowered shirt and top hat.

Six-year-old Django and her owner, Jerry Brown, always attract a crowd, and not just in Hickory.

Brown – no relation to the Hickory Browns – makes his living traveling from festival to festival in a 250-mile radius of his Lancaster home. And from the 'I said to my wife,
'When I get old, I'm
going to get a monkey
and be an organ
grinder.'

Jerry Brown

seem to

stash of quarters Django collected from curious on-lookers during the Hickory celebration, it's a pretty good living.

Brown bills himself as a "professional variety entertainer" and his list of talents reads like a dictionary: fire eater, juggler, magician, musician, mime, storyteller, song and dance man, stilt walker and animal trainer.

He walked the parade balanced on 10-foot high stilts.

But, working with Django is his favorite act.

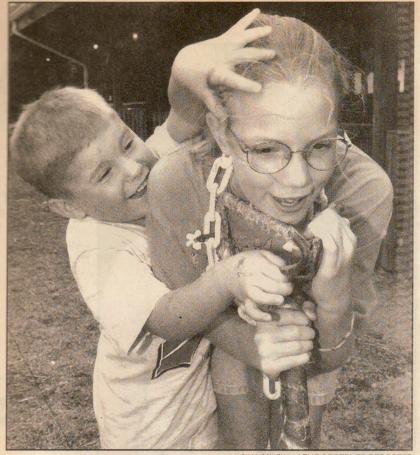
As the tiny tan monkey expertly snatched shiny coins from the fingers of tentative admirers, and guzzled soft drinks and Tootsie Rolls Saturday afternoon, Brown said he and Django have been together since she was 10 days old. He hand-fed her with a baby bottle.

When asked why a man in his mid-50s with a wife and adult children would travel the countryside

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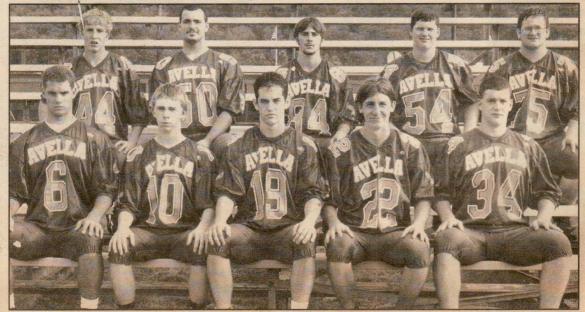


Jerry Brown portrays Uncle Sam Saturday in Hickory. Later in the day, Brown entertained the crowd with Django, a capuchin monkey.



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Benjamin Cooke, 5, pretends to chain his friend, Jill McClure, 10, into a blocking stand used to hold a sheep in place while the owner trims and primps it in preparation for showing. Jill is a member of Vankirk Friendship 4-H Club.



Ten lettermen comprise half of the Eagles' team.

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ANTHONY COOKE of Hickory holds the Alpine doe that won First Place, Junior Champion, Dairy Goats, Department 6. It is owned by AMANDA COOKE of Hickory.



#### **Girls Community League champs**

1999

Hickory Hoffman Trucking, winners of the 12 & under division of the Girls Community Softball League, includes front row, from left, Caitlyn Kelley, Leah Zofchak, Natalie Engel, Maggie Mucha, Kate Saftner, Beth Sumney, Brittany Bongiorni, and Karlee Hoffman. Back row: coach Jeff Zofchak, Brooke Ghilani, Bryane Ghilani, Stacey Kelly, Nikki Steding, Heather Maga, Justine Semack, Marlena Maga, Kristy Cass, and manager Chester Hoffman. Missing from photo: Linda Maga.



#### State champions

1998

Hickory girls slow-pitch 12 and younger team were crowned state champions, defeating a Lawrence County team, 23-8 and 20-4 in Elizabeth, Pa. on July 4. The Hickory team went 24-0 in its season and took first place in the District 7 state qualifier in Eighty Four to be named the top girls community league softball team of Washington County. Team members are, first row, from left, Kate Saftner, Stacey Kelly, Caitlyn Kelley, Karlee Hoffman and Brittany Bongiorni. Second row, Marlena Maga, Justine Semack, Natalie Engel, Nikki Steding, Kristy Cass and Leah Zofchak. Third row, coaches Linda Maga and Mark Saftner and manager Chester Hoffman. Not pictured are Maggie Mucha, coach Jeff Zofchak and scorekeeper Janet Mucha.



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#### A step back to Medieval times

Sixth grade students at Fort Cherry Elementary Center celebrated a Medieval Festival on Jan. 21-22. The students, who have been studying Medieval times for the past seven weeks, dressed in Medieval costumes, made Medieval foods and learned about the art, literature, tools, sports and trades of that time period.



As soon as the Walkers arrived in the Sunshine State, they placed a call home and had the teeth sent by overnight mail. But by then Walker had grown weary of his vacation and started home. Fortunately he picked up the package on his way to the airport.

"I figured he'd be back and his teeth would still be in Florida,"

laughed Duane.

Walker met his wife when he was called to fix a well at the home of her daughter, Mary Stolze.

Stolze inquired if he was "available." When he said he was, she said, "Well, my mother's available too, and you have to drive right past her place. And she's a good cook."

But Walker usually has breakfast or lunch at Bob Evans Restaurant in Washington. In fact, he has such an affinity for the place that when he was hospitalized several years ago, the manager called to inquire about him.

"I think he's here every day," said the present restaurant manager, Don Trenney.

All the cooks and wait staff know Walker. Once when a floor heater broke and the hostess complained of the chill, Walker returned with a heater for her.

"That is the type of thing he does," Trenney said.

Ida Mae remembered one Christmas when it was so cold people were advised to stay indoors.

But Walker ignored the warning and rose early to repair a farm well. The farmer, he explained, had 75 head of cattle and no water. "I had to get him water," Walker said simply.

In January, Walker fell on ice and broke his foot. But even a cast didn't keep him from working. He had someone drive him to his jobs and got around town by riding his lawn tractor to the store or post office.

He doesn't advertise his trade, but gets plenty of business by word of mouth. Walker jokes that he's listed "just above water" in the phone book.

His pace has slowed in recent years, Walker admits. Not long ago he got a 10 p.m. call to repair a well and opted for a good night's sleep instead.

Walker does take the time to enjoy football and baseball games, and the first day of hunting season is spent with his sons.

Forty-four years ago, Walker helped-form Pancake Fire Company and is now a lifetime member of its successor, South Strabane Fire Department No. 1.

But mostly, work is his hobby.

"People say to me, 'I don't know what I'm going to do if your dad retires,'" said Walker's daughter, Donna Boswell. "I tell them 'Don't worry, he won't."

## Pump repairman and his truck have plenty of miles on them, but neither is slowing down

#### BY CHRISTIE CAMPBELL

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To say that Jay "Pump" Walker is a hard worker would be a gross understatement.

At age 81, Walker still rises early each morning to pull broken pumps out of rural water wells and repair or replace them. And he has no intention of retiring anytime soon.

"When you see my obituary in the paper, you'll see I retired," he said.

Walker, who acquired his welldeserved nickname years ago when he moved to Hickory and discovered another Jay Walker lived there, has been in the water well business for 60 years. He figures he knows the location of every farm and back road in Washington and Greene counties.

"I never went with Dad any place that we didn't come back a different way," said his son, Duane.

Walker drives a battered red and white truck that has gone through "a couple" of engines. It has more than 400,000 miles on it.

Walker isn't a talkative man, preferring work over conversation.

But his wife, children and

stepchildren make up for his silence by telling funny stories about him.

For instance, whenever the Walkers take an occasional vacation, Walker gets antsy to return to work after just a couple of days off.

Ida Mae, his wife of 23 years, remembers one Florida trip when, as she tells it, Walker worked until it was time to leave for the airport. After settling in on the plane, Walker was about to eat a handful of peanuts when he realized he had left his dentures at home.

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Jay "Pump" Walker has put more than 400,000 miles on his pickup truck as he criss-crosses the back roads of Washington and Greene counties, repairing water well pumps.

# Amity woman killed in motorcycle accident

A 36-year-old Amity woman was killed early Sunday morning in a motorcycle accident at Swart Bridge on Route 19 in Amwell Township.

Robin A. Malarkey, of 317 Ten Mile Road, was killed around 3 a.m. after the motorcycle she was riding struck the concrete bridge located one tenth of a mile south of Hackney Station Road.

Her husband, William Malarkey, 36, also was on the motorcycle at the time of the accident. He was flown by helicopter to University of Pittsburgh Medical Center and was in critical condition late Sunday evening.

State police report both were wearing helmets at the time of the accident.

Robin Malarkey was pronounced dead at the scene at 4:31 a.m. by Washington County Coroner S. Timothy Warco, who cited head trauma as the cause of death.

In a statement, Warco said state police report the couple was traveling southbound on Route 19 when they entered a 60-degree right bend in the roadway before striking the bridge.

Warco also noted that road conditions were dry at the time of the accident, which occurred about 1 mile from the Malarkey residence.

Emergency personnel from Ambulance and Chair Service and Lone Pine and Amwell Township volunteer fire departments assisted at the scene. Daniel J. Oliverio, 36, 100
Shirley Ann Drive, Washington.
His wife, Lauren, told South Strabane Township police he struck her in the head with his fist about 7:30
p.m. Thursday. He was charged with simple assault and domestic violence, and jailed on \$5,000
bond.

Richard F. Bordt, 33, 407 Helen St., McKees Rocks. His girlfriend, Diane Watson, told McDonald police he assaulted her in her home at Fannie St., about 11 p.m. Thursday. He was charged with simple assault and jailed on \$5,000

Ronald D. Larocca, 33, 167 Cen-



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#### **Three injured**

Three people were injured when the car they were riding in, at right, crashed into two parked cars on West Chestnut Street in Washington about 3:15 p.m. Tuesday. Lucinda Cole, address unknown, was treated at Washington Hospital and released. Frank Cole, address unknown, was still being treated in the emergency room Tuesday night, a nursing supervisor said. The identity of the third occupant was not known Tuesday. Washington police Officer Vijay Nemani said the car in which the Coles were riding was traveling east on West Chestnut when it struck a parked car, pushing it into a utility pole on the berm of the westbound lanes. The car then struck a second car, at left, owned by Peggy Andrews. The car was parked in front of Andrews house at 870 W. Chestnut St. Andrews said she had just purchased the car one week earlier. Washington firefighters were called to the scene to free one of the occupants from the vehicle.

## Everything adding up

#### BY JOE SMYDO

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Bill McCracken gave up his accountant's job to purchase Ole Hickory Inn in 1982, having decided he would rather serve beans than count them.

"I was raised in the hotel and restaurant business, so it's kind of in my blood," McCracken said.

He turned a shot-and-a-beer joint along Route 50 into a small, quiet restaurant that reflects Hickory's country charm.

Rejecting an interior decorator's suggestion for chic window treatments, McCracken put up gingham curtains and wooden shutters himself.

A two-man saw, a wheat scythe, an ax and two hayforks hang in the dining room, antique implements salvaged from his paternal grandparents' West Virginia farm. During the summer, McCracken and his siblings took turns "vacationing" at the farm, rising at 6 a.m. to milk cows and do other chores.

Also mounted on the dining room walls are antique kitchen utensils and cooking implements that McCracken collected at yard sales and flea markets and a framed set of postcards showing Hickory in a bygone era.

The pine-paneled dining room with working fire place seats 45 cozily. McCracken thought about expanding the restaurant at one time.

"But I think there's something to be said for small, quaint places ... I want to keep the place very country and very inn-ish," he said.

Contributing to the theme are three prints – two rural scenes and a coastal scene – hanging behind the bar. They're the work of Charles Wysocki, an artist



#### **OLE HICKORY INN**

125 Main St. Hickory 356-2235

#### A FARE SAMPLE

Ole Hickory Feather and Fin (chunks of chicken breast and jumbo shrimp), Harvest Pork Chops, homemade meatloaf, homemade bread, the Original Hickory Burger

HOURS: Lunch is served from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Dinner is served from 4 to 9:30 p.m. (last seating) Monday through Thursday and from 4 to 10:30 p.m. (last seating) Friday and Saturday. Closed Sunday.

**DIRECTIONS: From** 

Washington: Route 18 north to Route 50 east. Route 50 is Main Street in Hickory.

known for capturing quintessential America.

McCracken can seat 16 on the shaded deck, which overlooks a spacious back yard.

He once considered enclosing the deck so it could be used in inclement weather. Guests opposed the idea, so he dropped

The menu is American right down to the desserts, which



LL MCCRACKEN HAS KEPT OLE HICKORY INN "VERY COUNTRY AND VERY INN-ISH" SINCE BUYING THE RESTAURANT IN 1982.

nclude apple pie on the weekend and bread pudding all the time.

Wilson and Karen McMannis of Lawrence have been dining at Dle Hickory Inn about once a nonth for several years.

There may be fancier places vith more diverse menus. McMannis said, but he and his ife choose McCracken's

taurant when they're set on a xing evening and good. sonably-priced food. If they go where, he said, it's just for a

"The value is excellent," McMannis said, noting dinner for two will run about \$30, and "that's with a few drinks."

Lynn Shook, former restaurant reviewer for a Fort Lauderdale, Fla., newspaper, said she would give Ole Hickory Inn four stars out of a possible five. She and her husband, Kevin, who live in Smith Township, dine there about twice a week.

"Service, I think, is the key," she said.

McCracken said he tells his 18 employees to treat a customer like they would a dinner guest in their own homes. He also stresses consistency, saying a customer who likes a dish on one visit anticipates the same taste the next time.

Through high school, McCracken worked at his family's businesses, Route 40 Dinette and Matthews Motel in Clavsville.

He went to Rochester Institute

of Technology in New York, graduated with a degree in accounting and began working a corporate controller.

Within eight years, he had tired of the travel and starched corporate structure. The Ole Hickory Inn was available, and he made his move.

Only one vestige of the old tavern remains: its name. McCracken said Ole Hickory In made more sense than "Bill's Place or something like that."



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#### All for one

The Mt. Pleasant Township, McDonald and Midway volunteer fire companies officially have formed Fort Cherry Fire District Association. The companies previously had a mutual aid agreement to assist each other with emergencies. The merger, however, is expected to help with declining manpower. Current and retired fire chiefs from each department met Tuesday. Retired

chiefs joining hands are, from left, Lee Robinson, Mt. Pleasant; John Williamson, Midway; and Lawrence Brinkman, McDonald. Current chiefs looking on are, from left, Tom Krenn, McDonald; Mike Slaven, Mt. Pleasant; and Doug Baird, Midway.

# Hopwood artist follows ornament to White House

By Colleen Nelson

When the letter from the White House arrived last summer, it brought Christmas in July to Hopwood artist Tom Dou-

glass.

"Each year the First Family invites specific groups and individuals to create ornaments which depict the chosen theme for the White House Blue Room Tree," the letter read. The President and Mrs. Clinton were inviting craftsmen from around the country to do reproductive renderings of decorative art for the official White House tree.

In keeping with Mrs. Clinton's Save America's Treasures program, holiday decorations would honor the founding fathers, national landmarks and events

that shaped America.

Douglass, 59, a woodsmith specializing in the stylized carved patterns of colonial chip art, said the letter caught him by surprise.

"I don't know how they found

me," he said.

An example of his work in the traditional craft directory of Early American Homes magazine must have caught the eye

of someone, he said.

"I know some of the other artists who were invited to make an ornament and they're from all over the country. We meet at shows. It's a small world," said Douglass, who moved from the Greene County hamlet of New Freeport to Hopwood about 12 years ago.

In the select world of America's traditional artists, Douglass' work stands out. His meticulous patterns are carved and chipped into the buttery grain of aged poplar wood salvaged from farmhouses, sheds and barns. One slip of the knife can ruin an entire piece. Soft, milky colors are painted on then partially removed, allowing the underlying wood to emerge as accent and outline.

Douglass fits the mold of 18th-century craftsmen who

made one-of-a-kind pieces in the time before mass production became the norm. Ten years ago, he was an antiques dealer with an eye for good design. Now, he designs tomorrow's good antiques.

"The first thing I ever made was some boxes for my brother," he said. Now, one of his works is in the nation's capital.

Douglass soon found himself going door to door selling to friends. He remembers finding the addresses of three galleries to send photographs of his art to. "Albany never answered, San Francisco said they liked my stuff but not now. Houston called and said, "Where have you been all my life?"

The artist's life, Douglass says, is serendipitous and sometimes discouraging. But every once in a while it can be as gratifying as getting that perfect Christmas present in July.

"I was sworn to secrecy about the theme until the first of December," Douglass said of the

ornament project.

By October his contribution
— a carved, painted tulip wood
flag with an undulating Celtic
knot on back — was on its way
to its place in history. Each commissioned piece will become
part of the ongoing White House
collection of Christmas ornaments. The flag Douglass chose
to honor was the 1795 star-spangled banner with its 15 stars and
stripes. His chip art rendering
displays each tiny star as a flawless luminary on a creamy field
of blue.

Now he and partner Barbara Salitrik of Hopwood are in Washington this weekend, attending a White House reception.

While he was getting ready for the trip last week, Douglass mused about visiting the White House. He stroked his full white beard, eyes twinkling. "I can't wait to see that tree," he said. Chandra M. Cook, 40, of 104 Roosevelt Ave., McDonald; first DUI offense; charged Sept. 14 on East Lincoln Street in Mc-Donald, refused BAC testing; sentence – 6 days to 6 months in jail, \$1,000 fine, drug and alcohol evaluation and treatment, 'driver's license suspension.

Five people were admitted to

Chandra M. Cook, 40, of 104 Roosevelt Ave., McDonald, was admitted for 12 months for a first DUI. She was charged May 12 on Center Avenue in Mclonald.

#### Robinson

#### -60 years

Lee and Billie Robinson of Hickory will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary with a family dinner.

The Robinsons were married October 23, 1947, in Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church,

Hickory.

They have two children, Terry Robinson and Jeanine Miles, both of Hickory.

Their grandchildren are Shannon Miles and Abby Miles. Kylee Miles is deceased. They also have a great-granddaughter.

Mr. Robinson is a retired dairy farmer and retired from Petro Clean. He is a life member of Mt. Pleasant Township Volunteer Fire Department, Washington County Fair and Pennsylva-



nia Association of Country Fairs, and director and member of Richard Faux Lodge 454.

Mrs. Robinson retired from Presbyterian Senior Care. She is a lifetime member Mt. Pleasant Township Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary.

Both are members of the Eastern Star Washington Chapter 409 and Hickory United Presbyterian Church.



#### Hatfield - 95 years

Laura Hatfield of Washington celebrated her 95th birthday at a family dinner at the Country Buffet in Bridgeville.

Born February 10, 1906, she is a daughter of Harry and Kizzie

Kelly Dinch.

On September 10, 1926, she married Earl Hatfield, and had twins, Loretta Staley of Washington and the late Dr. Kenneth Hatfield. Her husband is deceased.

Mrs. Hatfield has four grandchildren, Kenneth Hatfield, Dr. Cynthia Hatfield, Judith Horne and Kathy Wise. She also has 14 great-grandchildren.



Q. Name, Address & Phone Number:

A: Bob Deiseroth

Q. How long have you been in the business?

A: 1962

Q. Where did you learn to be an auctioneer? Are you licensed?

A: I went to Missouri Auction in 1962. Served my apprenticeship with Dave Williams. Licensed and bonded in Pa., also a licensed Pa. Realtor.

Q. A short biography of yourself. Ex: How did you get into the business? Your unique selling techniques! And anything you feel would be interesting.

A: After serving my apprenticeship and getting my license I bought Hickory Auction and Sales Inc. in 1968 off of Mr. Williams. We run a weekly farmers auction, once a week selling livestock, eggs, produce new and used merchandise, antiques etc. We also run a horse and tack auction twice a month, plus farm auctions, estates and liquidations. I sell approximately one hundred plus auctions a year.

Q. Are you a member of any Auctioneer Organizations? If so, which ones? A: NAA

Q. What are the advantages of having an auction over the other traditional forms of selling? A: Selling at auction, gives you a quick sale at a fair market price.

Q. Would someone who didn't have an entire household of items be able to have an auction?

A: You could consign one item or a complete household to our weekly auction.

Q. As a buyer is it cheaper to purchase items at an auction or to buy them brand new?

A: Used merchandise sold at auction brings a lot less than buying it new.

Q. How do auctioneers get paid? Do they get paid a flat rate, do they take a certain amount out of each item sold or do they take a percentage out of the entire amount?

A: In most cases we get paid a commission on the entire amount sold but that could vary from auction to auction.

Q. What if there was one item among everything that I consigned that I know is worth a lot of money? Is there anyway I can protect that one item to ensure that it sells for what its worth?

A: Yes, you could put a reserve bid on that item and it would not be sold unless it brought that amount.

Q. Do you have an e-mail address and/or web page?

A: No

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dressed girls at a Christmas gathering. "When I left, they believed."

Davidson's services aren't a hard sell, either. He'll usually just ask for a donation of \$25 or \$30. If he gets a meal and the occasional sugar cookie, all the better.

The only downside for this look-a-like Santa usually comes after Christmas.

"Some little kid passes me on the street, and if he didn't get what he wants, he'll kick me in the shin," said Davidson, smiling.

Even growing up in Hopewell Township, Davidson, then a lanky lad, did occasional Santa appearances. But three years earlier, an acquaintance who runs a novelty shop in Weirton, W.Va., sold him the red suit and black belt.

Since that time, relatives have noticed changes in the once-gruff man.

"He's different," said Davidson's great-niece, Mary Ann Reedy of Burgettstown. Davidson had just made an appearance at the birthday party of Reedy's 4-year-old twins. Jim and Joe.

"If you'd have known him 20 years ago, you'd have been scared of him," said her husband, Jim Reedy. He added that Davidson has always loved kids, but in his pre-St. Nick days, he "was a force to reckon with."

He still may be.

A cataract surgery scheduled for mid-December was postponed until January.

"I said you can't," said Davidson, recalling a recent conversation with the doctor. "I got a busy month."

## Area Santa makes a believer out of many

#### BY HEIDI PRICE

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Santa Claus has a lot of gigs this time of year.

So many, in fact, that he occasionally calls upon the assistance of jolly-looking, whiskers-bearing, red-suit-wearing helpers for mall dates and other appearances as he prepares for his biggest night of all.

Enter Earl Davidson.

So similar is Davidson's resemblance to the one they call Kris Kringle, that while en route fo a recent birthday party for his greatnephews in Burgettstown, children chased his car down the street.

At restaurants, fellow diners ask him, "Please wait here while I

go home and get my grandchildren."

And then there's the beard.

Yes, there are the occasional tugs by naysayers and the simply curious (it's definitely real). But that's not the hardest part, according to Davidson, who has been growing the long, white beard since Jan. 3.

"When you're sleeping and you happen to roll on it, it catches your chin," he says with a smile that lifts his red cheeks and creases his shiny eyes. "The most troubling is trying to keep it clean."

That's about the only complaint out of Davidson, a Hickory resident, husband and father of four, who spent 43 years on the road as a truck driver. His wife, Charlotte, works with the Washington

Historical Society.

"That's a lot of miles," is pretty much all Davidson will say about his former career that claimed one of his fingerswhile he was unloading a truck bed years earlier.

But ask him about his winter job. Davidson has many stories as he does tattoos.

During a recent breakfast interview in Hickory, Davidson brought with him a rose-printed photo album.

And he's got a story for each and every crayon-colored picture, photograph and thank-you note.

"These little girls ... they didn't believe," remarked Davidson, gesturing to a photo of two velvet-

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Earl Davidson of Hickory has room on his lap for his great-nieces' twins, Jim, left, and Joe Reedy at the boys' birthday party in Burgettstown recently.

## Canonsburg Knight follows in his father's footsteps 1903

**BY DENISE BACHMAN** 

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Jess Briggs practically grew up with the Knights of Pythias, spending every Sunday Mernoon with his father at the Washington Chapter's lodge at the corner of North Main and East Beau streets.

It only made sense that he, too, would want to join when he was old enough.

My only desire was to follow in my father's footsteps," said. "I wanted to join real

When he was able to drive, Briggs would accompany his father on home visits on behalf of the Knights of Pythias, a benevolent fatornal organization dedicated to international goodwill and the first active fraternal group recognized by the U.S. Congress.

"I was proud of what I was able to help out with," he said.

But when Briggs expressed a desire to Join the Washington Chapter, his father, Jose, forbade it. He was wary of nepotism, preferring that his son be accepted on his own merit.

It wasn't until Briggs, now 88, moved to

"I was there for three months when four men knocked on my door, asking if I would be willing to manage a youth baseball team," Briggs said. "I lived in Washington all my life, and they don't say hello.

"It was the first time I was ever asked to

take part in the community. I was so elated by that, I said, 'Sure I will.'"

At a baseball meeting, Briggs was approached by a gentleman who inquired if he knew Jess Briggs from Washington. When he acknowledged he was his son, the man asked, "How come you never joined the Knights of Pythias?"

After Briggs explained, the man replied, "Well, he doesn't run Canon Lodge."

Within 24 hours, Briggs was accepted by Canonsburg Chapter 204, which recently celebrated its 100th anniversary at the Washington Country Club. Jay Wolf of Houston was recognized at the banquet for 50 years of service to the Canonsburg lodge.

Canonsburg Chapter 204 was founded on March 2, 1902. There were eight charter members. Eventually, Washington Chapter 231 merged with the Canonsburg chapter.

Locally, the Canonsburg lodge has provided financial support to Canonsburg General Hospital, Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, Special Olympics, Little League baseball and the youth soccer team in Canonsburg.

For 20 years, the organization also sponsored Canon Chapter No. 9, the Junior Order Knights of Pythias.

Briggs recalls the time he made 18 drainage tables for Cystic Fibrosis and delivered them to patients' homes.

He has served the lodge in a variety of capacities, including chancellor of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania in 1967.



#### **JESS BRIGGS**

Briggs said the generosity of the Knights of Pythias is legendary. He likes to relate the story of silent film actress Mary Pickford, whose father belonged to the organization. He said she often recalled the time when her father was gravely ill and there was no food in the house.

"Four knights knocked on the door and gave them food to live on," Briggs said.

# Three men arrested, charged in feed mill arson

Lack of public water not a factor in fighting blaze, police officer says

#### BY KATHIE O. WARCO

THE OBSERVER-REPORTER kwarco@observer-reporter.com

VENICE – Three men were arrested Wednesday in connection with a weekend fire that destroyed a storage building at Hickory Feed Mill in Mt. Pleasant Township.

Eric Graham, state police fire marshal, filed charges of arson, reckless endangerment and criminal conspiracy against William W. Bedillion, 25, of 31 Callafe Lane, McDonald; Tony J. Stankiewicz, 21, of

11 Main St., Hickory; and Eric N. Jeffries, 21, of 19 Wabash Ave., Hickory. They were arraigned Wednesday before District Justice Valarie Costanzo.

Bedillion is the grandson of the building owner, Warren M. Bedillion of Avella. When Costanzo asked about their employment, Stankiewicz said he worked at the mill.

Firefighters from 10 departments spent about 12 hours battling the blaze at 2 Wabash St., which started about 5 p.m. Saturday. They were called back Sunday night when the fire rekindled.

The fire destroyed a 40-by-80-foot steel building and a 1979 International truck owned by Warren Bedillion. More than 5,000 bales of straw, stored in space leased at the building by Dean Casciola, also

were destroyed.

The fire was started in a trash bin about 10 feet from the building. Stankiewicz reportedly put gasoline in the bin and Jeffries lit the Fire, according to the criminal complaint filed by police. When Jeffries lit the match, he was knocked backward in an explosion.

In March, township fire Capt. Patrick Felton warned Jeffries about burning garbage in the bin.

Firefighters had to haul water to the scene because there is no public water system in Hickory. Mt. Pleasant fire Chief Jay Turner said water was hauled from a 20,000-gallon storage tank next to the fire hall on Route 50 and from a hydrant in Cherry Valley.

"The building was packed solid with straw, and there also was the old truck the feed mill had used," Turner said. "We had to put the fire out. The building was too close to other buildings and a house."

Turner looks forward to the day when the village has public water.

"We've been doing it this way a long time," Turner said of hauling water to fire scenes. "But with the drought, some of the places we used to go for water have dried up, so we have to look elsewhere.

"I look at getting water from a fire aspect," he added. "The faster we can get water on a fire, the easier it is on everybody."

Last month, residents of Mt. Pleasant testified about the need for public water before an administrative law judge hearing a complaint filed by the state Office of Consumer

Advocate to force Pennsylvania American Water Co. to provide service. The state Public Utility Commission will discuss the matter during hearings in December.

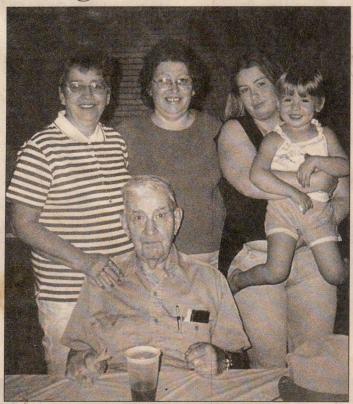
Casciola, who is the officer incharge of the Mt. Pleasant police department, said the lack of water did not make a difference in Saturday's fire.

"If the fire had been caught quickly, having water would have made a difference," Casciola said. "But it was too far gone."

The bales stored at the mill were sold to customers at The Meadows, he added.

Costanzo set bond for Stankiewicz, Jeffries and William Bedillion at \$15,000 each. A preliminary hearing is scheduled Wednesday in Central Court.

## Five generations



At a celebration for Everett Kelley's 92nd birthday, the Kelley and Hawkins families gathered for this five-generation photo. Seated is Everett of Washington; standing from left, are great-grandmother, Louise King of Avella, grandmother, Celestine Salvetti of Avella and Michele Hawkins of Washington holding her daughter, Kera Hawkins.





#### White - 50 years

In celebration of their golden wedding anniversary, Robert Reed and Mary-Jane Knapp White of Hickory will enjoy a family luncheon and an open house reception from 2 to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, April 13, at Fort Cherry Golf Club.

They were married April 5, 1952, in United Presbyterian Church, Garden City, Long Island, N.Y., with Dr. J. Kenneth Miller officiating.

Mrs. White is the daughter of Vernon and Florence Knapp.

Mr. White is the son of A.D.

and Laura White.

The couple have a son, R. Reed White Jr. of McLean, Va. Their daughter, Molly E. White, is deceased.

Their grandchildren are Adam and Andrew.

Mr. White is a certified public accountant and is retired from CSX Railroad.

Mrs. White is retired from Baltimore County Public Library.

The couple retired to Hickory in 1986.

#### Briggs - 65 years

Gladys M. and Jess J. Briggs Jr. of Washington will celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary with a dinner with their grandson and his wife at the Oakhurst Tea Room, Somerset.

They were married April 7, 1937, in the Manse, Washington, with the Rev. Paul Graham officiating.

Their daughter, Deanna Lee, died in 1993.

They have one grandson, John William Briggs of Washington.

Mr. Briggs is retired from McGraw-Edison, where he was employed as an annealing furnace operator for 27 years. He is a member of Canon Lodge 204 Knights of Pythias, Canonsburg,



and Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan, Mingo Junction, Ohio.

Mrs. Briggs is a member of Pythian Sisters, Canonsburg Temple 172.

They are members of First United Presbyterian Church, Washington.

#### Carter - 50 years

Gene and Pearl Carter of Mc-Donald celebrated their golden wedding anniversary with a Mass at Holy Rosary Church, followed by a renewal of vows by the Rev. George DeVille and dinner at Tambellini's Restaurant with family given by their children.

The Carters were married June 25, 1955, in St. Patrick Church, Canonsburg, with Monsignor Paul Simko officiating.

They have three children, Gloria Buckels of Canonsburg, Robert Carter of Washington and Terry Carter of Chicago, Ill.

Their grandchildren are Kelly Welborn, Shelly Buckels and Jon, Talbot, Tanner and Truman



Carter.

Mr. Carter, son of the late Walter and Thelma Carter, is retired from Consol Coal Co.

Mrs. Carter, daughter of the late Joseph and Florence Porcaro, is a homemaker.



#### Narigon - 40 years

H. David and Cora "Corky" Narigon of 39 Donaldson Road, Hickory, will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary with a trip to California.

They were married April 25, 1959, in Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Richard Morledge officiating.

Their children are David Narigon of Washington, Donald Narigon of Hickory and Douglass Narigon of Washington.

Their grandchildren are Aaron, Ashley and Adam Narigon.

Mr. Narigon is retired from Columbia Gas Transmission and Mrs. Narigon is the former Mt. Pleasant Township secretary and tax collector.

They are both members of Hickory United Presbyterian Church:



#### White - 50 years

Robert A. and Leila B. White of 99 Main St., Hickory, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary with an open house from 2 to 5 p.m. Aug. 8 at Mt. Pleasant Township Volunteer Fire Hall in Hickory. Also, a family dinner will be held the evening before at Hoss's Steak House.

The celebrations are being hosted by their children, Robert Alan White of Stafford, Va., Thomas B. White of Hickory, and David M. White of Lake Placid,

N.Y.

Mr. and Mrs. White were married August 11, 1949, at the home of the bride, with the Rev. Wallace officiating.

Their grandchildren are Dominick, Erica, Brooke, Joel, Keith, Lauren, Jenifer, Mark, Kathleen, James and Joshua. They also have two great-

grandchildren.

Mr. White is retired. He was a terminal manager for Eazor Express and Kaplan Trucking Co. and a route salesman for Battery Specialist Co. Mrs. White is a homemaker. They are members of Hickory United Presbyterian Church.

that gifts

HINES - In loving memory of my Mother, Margerite Hines, who passed away 26 years ago, June 15, 1962.



Two dear bright eyes, a tender smile.

A loving heart that knew no guile.

Deep trust in God that all was right,

Her joy to make some other bright.

If sick or suffering one she knew,

Some gentle act of love she'd do.

No thought of self, but of "the

other";

I know He said, "Well done, dear mother." Sadly Missed by Son,

James Hines, Jr.

#### Ralph W. Hines

U.S. No vy veteran was employed by RCA Co.

Ralph W. Hines, 51, of Lindenwold, N.J., formerly of Amity, died Monday, August 10, 1992, in Lindenwold.

He was born October 29, 1940, in West Bethlehem Township, a son of the late Albert F. and Elva Sandy

Hines.

Mr. Hines attended Highland Grade School and graduated in 1958 from West Bethlehem Township High School.

He served with the U.S. Navy aboard the U.S.S. Northhampton

from 1958 until 1962.

Mr. Hines was employed by RCA Co. as an electronics testing technician for more than 25 years.

He was a member of the American Legion Post in Lindenwold, Anawanna Hunting and Fishing Club in Amity, Eagles Lodge in Washington and Waynesburg Moose.

Surviving are a brother, Harold M. Hines of Amity R.D.1; two sisters, Shirlene Feather of Washington and Sharon Miller of Amity R.D.2; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased is a brother, James A. fines, who died October 2, 1990.

#### GLENN S. GOUGHENOUR

Glenn S. Goughenour Jr., 19, of Amity R. D. 1, was dead on arrival at Uniontown Hospital Tuesday, March 21, 1972, as a result of an accident while trimming trees near New Salem.

Authorities said a branch from a tree fell on him while he was in the tree, knocking him to the ground.

He was born in Washington, October 12, 1952, a son of Glenn S. Goughenour Sr. and Ruth V. Morris Goughenour.

He was a member of the Highland Brethren Church and graduated from Beth - Center High School in 1972.

He was employed by the Davey Tree Trimming Company, as a climber.

Surviving, in addition to his parents, are one brother, James M., at home; two sisters, Mrs. Linda Rice, of Washington, and Waginia Mae Goughenour, at time, and two nephews.

#### James A. Hines

James A. Hines, 52, of Amity R. D.1, died Tuesday, October 2, 1990, in his home, of a heart attack.

He was born February 16, 1938, in Amwell Township, a son of Albert F. and Elva Sandy Hines.

Mr. Hines was Protestant.

He was attended Highland Ridge Grade School and West Bethlehem Township High School.

Mr. Hines was a lifelong resident of Washington County.

He was employed by Hazel-Atlas Glass Co. until its closing, and later worked at Piatt Machine Co. He then was a journey machinist at McGraw-Edison Co.'s transformer division at Canonsburg from 1969 until becoming disabled in 1984.

Mr. Hines was a member of the USWA; the Anawana Hunting and Fishing Club, where he was president; and the Waynesburg Moose and Washington Eagles clubs.

He was twice married, first to Marguerite Ramage Hines, who died June 15, 1962. On February 16, 1968, he married Linda M. Donaldson Hines, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, James A. Hines Jr. of Amity R.D.1 and Kevin S. Hines of Sacramento, Calif.; two brothers, Ralph W. Hines of Lindenwold, N.J., and Harold M. Hines of Amity R.D.1; two sisters, Mrs. Leroy (Shirlene) Feather of Washington and Mrs. Andrew (Sharon) Miller of Amity R.D.2; and several nieces and nephews.

#### Lesley A. Hines

Wife of former Amity resident

Word has been received of the death of Lesley A. Hines, 23, of Sacramento, Calif., who died along with her daughter, Alexis L. Hines, in an automobile accident, Monday, April 13, 1992.

Born February 15, 1969, in Vallejo, Calif., she was a daughter of Wayne and Cathy Zampa of

Rocklin, Calif.

On October 5, 1991, she married, Kevin S. Hines of Sacramento, formerly of Amity, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Stephanie Hines, at home; a sister, Annie Burnett of Lommis, Calif.; a brother, David Zampa of Roseville, Calif.; maternal grandmother, Patricia Ellis of Sacramento; and great-grandmother, Dorothy Tharp of Fairfield, Calif.

Services were held April 21 in Roseville, with interment in

Rocklin Cemetery.

#### James H. Hines

James H. Hines, 68, of 1745 Manchester Road, Akron, Ohio, died at 2:22 a.m. Friday, May 27, 1983, in Akron General Hospital, Akron.

He was born May 26, 1915, in Fairchance, Fayette County, a son of Francis and Mary Lou

Ritchie Hines.

Mr. Hines was Protestant and attended West

Bethlehem Township schools.

He was employed by Bethlehem Mines Corp, Mine No.58, Marianna, until 1936, when he moved to Arthurdale, W.Va. While in Arthurdale, he worked for the Christopher Coal Co. in Morgantown, W.Va. In 1963, he moved to Akron, where he was employed by the McNeil Machine Co., retiring in 1977.

He was a former member of UMWA, District 4,

and the USW Local 3158 in Akron.

On August 28, 1935, he married Mary Lucille

Haga, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Ben L. Hines of Akron; two daughters, Mrs. Ernest (Shirley L.) Stanton of Elyria, Ohio, and Mrs. Nancy L. Barker of Phoenix, Ariz.; eight grandchildren and one great-granddaughter; a brother, Charles Hines of Washington; and several nieces and nephews.

Three brothers, Walter, Albert and George

Hines, and a sister, Grace, are deceased.

A LANGELOTH MAN is lodged in the Washington County Jail on charges of burglary, theft, criminal conspiracy and crimi-

nal attempt Wednesday night.

George P. Kinney Jr., 18, of Charles Street, was arraigned before Magistrate Thomas McGraw who imposed a \$3,000 straight cash bond.

Smith Township police could not be reached Wednesday night for additional information on the arrest.

#### Bad News Travels Fast, And Far

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The recent murder of three East Washington widows was announced on the evening news in Los Angeles. Probably no one I knew, I thought. Our local paper carried the story the next day, and within a few days, I received the Observer-Reporter's detailed account. Then I realized that I did know who two of the ladies were, and I also knew two other former Washington area residents who would be shocked and saddened by the grim news.

Hilda Horner McCreight taught home economics at Hickory High School when I was a student there in the early 1940s. During the week she lived in the home of a classmate and good friend, Patricia Edmunds Newman, now living in Bartlesville, Oklahoma. I knew Pat would be distressed to hear that Miss Horner's mother had been a victim of such violence.

Anyone raised in the Washington area, knew the Warrick name well. It was synonymous with flowers. Donald Caldwell, another Hickory High alumnus, now an interior floral designer in Beverly Hills, California, said he got his start working at Warrick's. We talked about our mutual feelings of sympathy for the people who were painfuly affected by the incident.

And we recalled the disappearance and fiery death several years ago of his aunt, Myrtle Amos, whose trusted companion was later convicted of the crime. At the moment (4 p.m. EDT), the housekeeper filed a missing person report with Washington police, Mrs. Amos' brother an sister-in-law, John and Helen Caldwell, were having lunch at my home in Woodland Hills, Cal.

Shock waves of dastardly crimes committed in "little" Washington reverberate across the continent, and the hearts of people hundreds of miles away reach out to the bereaved. This letter is to let them know that we too are sorry.

Evelyn Phillips Borden, Woodland Hills, Cal.

#### **FACES DRUG CHARGES:** A

Washington man was charged Friday with possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of drugs.

Joseph A. Tustin, 43, of 145 Jollick Manor, was placed in Washington County Jail on a detainer from Washington County Adult Probation, according to a complaint filed by city police with the office of District Justice J. Albert Spence. Washington police found Tustin with paraphernalia and two packets of suspected heroin.

Charges will be sent by summons from Spence's office.

# Local Businessmar

By Barbara S. Miller, Staff Writer

The president of Eighty Four Packing Inc. was shot to death Monday night in the parking lot of a tavern less than a mile from the business he had operated since 1977. State police said they have no suspects.

Robert D. Dickinson, 46, of 1183 Montclair Drive, Chartiers Township, was pronounced dead in the parking lot of the Somerset Inn by Washington County Coroner Farrell Jackson at 11:20 p.m. The coroner ruled the

death a homicide.

Police said they belie e Dickinson was unlocking the door of his small pickup truck, parked near the inn's entrance along Route 136, at 10:10 p.m. when the shot was fired.

The keys were found on the ground and Dickinson's body was lying

beside the truck.

After an autopsy was performed Tuesday morning at Washington Hospital, Jackson said Dickinson's death was caused by a single gunshot wound of the head.

Jackson said, according to findings by Dr. Ernest Abernathy, pathologist and chief deputy coroner, Dickinson was struck by a high velocity bullet "from some distance, not close up."

The coroner said there were no signs of a struggle, but that the bullet caused "massive trauma."

He would not identify the type of gun used but said police "have a lead on it." Jackson said Dickinson left the business shortly after 6 p.m. He frequented the Somerset Inn, and police said he had been there for several hours Monday night.

"He had a number of friends in there," said state police Cpl. Joseph

Hammond.

Hammond said he didn't think Dickinson was at the inn with "any specific person or persons" and was apparently not involved in any incident at the inn that would lead to a shooting.

Hammond said the shot was reportedly not heard inside the Somerset Inn, but was first reported from a nearby business. Several Eighty Four residents said they thought the noise

was a car backfiring.

A man identified by the coroner as Robert Jones of Eighty Four R.D.2 drove into the Somerset Inn parking lot shortly after the shooting and saw the body.

Police went to the inn and talked to patrons until about 2 a.m., but said they still had more interviews to con-

duct Tuesday.

Hammond said police have tentatively ruled out robbery as a motive for the shooting, but he advanced no alternative motive.

Eighty Four Packing has been in business since 1930. Dickinson operated the business with Jon Kolb, former offensive tackle for the Pittsburgh Steelers who is now a defensive

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line coach for the team, until 1984.

Kolb did not return a telephone call to the Observer-Reporter, and according to Steeler spokesman John Eavenson, Kolb turned down several requests for interviews Tuesday.

Last year, Dickinson purchased Kolb's interest in the business. The company was reorganized last year with Dickinson as president, his son, Gary, as vice president and his wife, Sandy, as secretary-treasurer. Both survive.

Dickinson was well-known to 4-H and Future Farmers of America organizations in the area.

"He was a strong supporter of the livestock and 4-H programs in the county," said Edward J. Woods,

Washington County agricultural extension agent. "I never knew him to turn anyone down."

Dickinson helped the clubs by judging animals and meat, buying livestock at the county fair, telling youngsters about raising livestock and offering the 4-H'ers discounts on food for fundraisers.

The company won a first place award at Penn State University for its dried-cured bacon. Dickinson was a member of the Pennsylvania Meat Processors and the Eighty Four Chamber of Commerce.

In addition to his wife and son, two daughters, Darla Martin and Robin Dickinson, a grandson, two brothers and two sisters survive.



ROBERT DICKINSON

### Crash Victims Are Improved

Two area men who were seriously injured in separate accidents last week were reported improving Sunday night.

Washington Hospital officials said Burl Goughenour, 48, of Hickory, and Richard Mack Snyder, 27, of 80 Henderson Avenue, had been transferred from the intensive care unit and were listed in satisfactory condition. 10/11/76

riace. Canton TOWNSHID. JAMES CLEMONS, 35, of 91 Main St., Hickory, was placed on 90 days' probation and fined \$150 after pleading guilty to disorderly conduct. A charge of possession of drug paraphernalia was dropped. Clemons was charged after he tried to dispose of a metal crack pipe when stopped by police

on Highland Avenue, Washington, on April 3, 2001. APRIL 11 02

Three men were admitted to the

## Local Driver 76

#### Still Guarded

A Washington woman who was injured in an accident on Route 18 north Thursday has been transferred from Washington Hospital.

Loretta B. Wilson, 42, of Washington R.D.1, was in Eye and Ear Hospital, Pittsburgh Friday in satisfactory condition.

Meanwhile, the driver of the other vehicle in the accident, Burl Goughenour, 48, of Hickory, remained in guarded condition in the intensive care unit of Washington Hospital.

#### CHARGED WITH ASSAULT:

South Strabane Township police filed charges against a Hickory man accused of assaulting his wife Sunday in the parking lot of Northgate Plaza.

James H. Clemens, 35, of 91 Main St., is accused of hitting Tracy Clemens in the face several times. He fled in a car before police arrived.

She was taken to Washington Hospital for treatment of cuts on her lips, a broken nose and bruises.



THREE INJURED IN CRASH - A headon collision injured three area persons, one seriously, at 3:55 p.m. Thursday. State police said a car driven by Loretta B. Wilson, 42, of Washington R.D.1, was traveling south on Route 18, just outside the city, when it crossed the center line and into the path of a pickup truck driven by Burl Goughenour, 48, of Hickory. Goughenour was pinned in the wreckage for 30 minutes. He was admitted to Washington Hospital where he was in guarded condition in the intensive care unit. The Wilson woman and her son, David, 10, were also taken to the hospital. He was listed in good condition Thursday night. Traffic was delayed for over an hour.

arges of simple assault and rassment were filed against mens at the office of District ustice Jay Weller and will be sent by summons. 4/2/102

## Hickory Boy, 6, Crushed To Death By Large Rock

to death Thursday when a huge rock tumbled on him near Hick-Orv.

The victim was Samuel Dale McCracken, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clair E. McCracken, of Hickory

Charles Bezusko, Mt. Pleasant Township police officer, said the accident happened at 4:45 p.m. at the base of a 50-foot bank near the Norfolk and Western Railroad track.

Deputy Coroners said the boy was throwing stones into the Crowley, 10, also of Hickory,

Samuel apparently picked up

The rocks had been placed at foot. the base of the hill to serve as a drain, officials said.

went to the scene with James chest by a private physician. Prospect Presbyterian Church. Carlisle, a neighbor.

Donaldson Farm nearby and said. Volunteer Firemen.

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quarter-mile south of Samuel's grandmother, Mrs. Edna John-Bezusko said firemen could home, located in the Friendly son, all of New Castle,

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Observer-Reporter / Charles Wilson

#### Fatal accident

A Washington man was killed in this two-vehicle accident on West Chestnut Street, North Franklin Township, Saturday afternoon. George W. Kelley, 75, of 779 Weirich Avenue, was a passenger in a vehicle driven by his wife, Ethel Kelley. Also involved in the wreck was a van driven by Chris Nester.

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## 3 Hospitalized Following Crash

A teen-age girl was reported in serious condition Monday in the trauma unit of Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, after a one-car crash on a curve near Oakdale that injured five persons.

Amy Goughenour, 15, of Hickory, was ejected from the car that struck a West Penn Power Co. pole

at 10:20 p.m. Saturday.

She was taken to Allegheny General Hospital by Life Flight

helicopter.

Another passenger, Theresa Tournay, 15, of Poplar Street, Mc-Donald, was taken to Mercy Hospital, Pittsburgh. She was reported in serious but satisfactory condition in the rehabilitation unit.

John Dino, 24, of Park Avenue, Canonsburg, was reported in fair condition in Canonsburg Hospital.

Treated and released from Canonsburg Hospital were Kelly Neil, 16, of Hickory R.D.1, and Jeffrey Kohn, 18, of Black Alley, Canonsburg.

North Fayette Township Police Chief Thomas Sturgeon said the driver of the car, Robert C. Johnson, 27, of 609 Park Avenue, Canonsburg, was not injured. Johnson was cited for driving while intoxicated.



Patrick Schneider for The Pittsburgh Press

## Blazing tires

Dozens of firefighters used foam and tons of water yesterday to control a burning pile of used tires at the J & F Tire Co. in Chartiers Township, Washington County. Firefighters

said it may take days to extinguish the blaze in the pile of 40,000 to 50,000 tires. A bulldozer, was used to keep the fire from spreading to more stacks of tires in the storage yard.

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#### March 13, 1978

A violent natural gas explosion on a farm near Hickory sent flames shooting 200 feet into the air and the orange glow could be seen as far away as 25 miles.

Two occupants of the farmhouse, Frederick Browne, 27, and Robert Sturgeon, 26, were injured.

Browne suffered a cut hand attemting to escape the flames, and Sturgeon broke his hand attempting to move Browne's car.

#### Gambling Raid

State police raided the home of a Hickory man Saturday and confiscated more than \$5,000 in football bets and cash.

Police said a summons will be served on David J. Coligan, 28, of Main Street, in connection with the raid.

Impounded in the raid were \$2,700 in football bets, \$1,890 in cash, and an undetermined number of numbers bets and parlay sheet bets. In addition, police took another \$240 in bets over the telephone during the raid.

State police forced their way into Coligan's home after obtaining a search warrant from Magistrate June Lilley.

## Two Men Killed At Westland Mine

Two men were crushed to death Wednesday when a mine wall collapsed at Pittsburgh Coal Company's Lynn Portal mine at Westland.

One of the men was identified as mine superintendent Thomas P. Shayrak, 35, of 1164 McEwen Avenue, Canonsburg.

The other miner was listed as master mechanic George A. Carter, 46, of Hickory, R.D.1.
According to County Coroner

Farrell Jackson, the accident occurred at 2:15 p.m. while both men were working with a clean up crew attempting to clear out a previous roof fall.

Jackson said they were using a "Joy loader" to pull an iron beam from under the rubble when the mine wall suddenly collapsed. A large chunk of sandstone, weighing eight to ten tons, fell on the two men, Jackson said.

Shaynak was killed instantly, Jackson said, and Carter died en route to Washington Hospital. Hospital authorities said death was attributed to skull fractures.

The incident is under investigation by Federal Mine Inspectors, company officials and a safety committee from the UMW local at Westland.

Shaynak, a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh and a licensed engineer, is survived by his wife and two children.

Carter is survived by his wife and two sons. He was an elder in the Westland United Presbyterian Church and was a partner in Carter Brothers at Westland.



#### Special visitors

Thanks to an 8-year-old Korean tourism program, a Hickory man serving with the U.S. Army in Seoul was reunited with his parents for five days. Thomas O. and Viola L. Kraeer joined their son, Lt. Col. Thomas A. Kraeer, deputy commander of the 2nd Engineer Group stationed at Yongsan Army Garrison, on April 10. The Reunion in Korea Program offers servicemen's families the opportunity to visit with their loved ones and experience Korean life, with many expenses paid. The program was designed to demonstrate the Asian country's appreciation of American contributions in providing security.

## Woman Injured In 3-Car Crash

A 22-year-old Hickory woman was treated and released from Washington Hospital following a three-car collision on Route 18, one mile south of Route 50, about 2:20 a.m. Saturday.

State police said Joanne S. Little of Wabash Avenue was injured when her car was struck in the rear by a vehicle operated by Ronald J. Bongiorni, 22, of Burgettstown R.D.1. The Little car was spun around and struck by a car coming in the opposite direction driven by Donald Lee Yazevac, 21, of 217 West Second Avenue, Langeloth. Her car came to rest on top of the Yazevac vehicle.



police report

# Elderly man slain; teen is charged

By Terri T. Johnson, Staff Writer

A 75-year-old Burgettstown area man was shot to death in Smith Township shortly after 6 p.m. Wednesday, and a 15-year-old Slovan youth has been charged with his death, state police said.

Eugene Petricca of Burgettstown R.D.2 was pronounced dead of a single gunshot wound to the head at 8:20 p.m. by Washington County Coroner Farrell Jackson.

William Edward Healey III, of 221 Baird Street, Sloven, was charged with criminal homicide late Wednesday, according to Sgt. Roger Waters, criminal investigation unit supervisor for state police, Washington barracks. Waters said Healey was charged as an adult.

Because Healey was arraigned after press time, additional details were not available late Wednesday. Waters would not provide additional details of the shooting.

Petricca's body was found in brush over an embankment along Cherry Valley Road (state Route 4017), a little more than a half-mile from state Route 18 near Atlasburg, according to Jackson.

Jackson said Petricca picked up Healey, who was hitchhiking.

An autopsy was scheduled for Thursday morning, according to Jackson.

#### TERRY S. (PIXIE) CARTER

Terry S. (Pixie) Carter, 18, of Hickory, R. D. 1, was dead on arrival at Washington Hospital at 1 a.m. Sunday, February 1, 1970, of injuries suffered in an auto accident.

The daughter of William H. and Isabelle Dhans Carter, she was born May 21, 1951, in Washington.

Miss Carter, a member of the Westland UP Church, was employed at the McGraw Edison Plant at Canonsburg. She was a 1969 graduate of Fort Cherry High School where she had been a cheerleader and a member of the National Honor Society.

Surviving in addition to her parents are three sisters: Mrs. Carole Main, of Pine Bank and Mary C. Carter and a twin sister, Kerry S. Carter, both at home; one brother, William L. Carter, of Longmont, Colo., and her paternal grandmother, Mrs. Bessie Carter, of Canonsburg.

One sister, Joan, died in 1940.

## Fire kills Mt. Pleasant Township woman

By Jeff Hoch, Staff Writer

McDONALD—A Mt. Pleasant Township woman, who had celebrated her 22nd birthday the day before, died in a fire which destroyed her family's home in the early

morning hours Saturday.

Firemen said Judith L. Klinsky had been watching television in the living room of the Klinskys' Cherry Valley Road home, 3½ miles from McDonald, until about 12:45 a.m. Saturday with her mother, Marlene, 42, and brothers Bobby, 20, and Joe, 15. Judy then went upstairs to her bedroom directly above the living room, her mother to a bedroom on

the first floor and Joe to another upstairs bedroom, while Bobby slept in the living

Firemen speculate that sparks from a fire in the living room fireplace may have fallen on the living room carpet because no screen was in place in front of the fire.

At about 3:30 a.m., Bobby Klinsky woke up and discovered the fire. His mother ran upstairs to get her two other children out of the house and to get water to try to fight the fire, said firemen. Bobby and Joe Klinsky were able to get out of the house, but Judy, asleep in her bed, and her mother were

trapped upstairs.

The boys attempted to rescue their mother by placing a ladder against a porch roof, but the roof collapsed when she stepped onto it. Mrs. Klinsky fell through the roof to the porch below, but suffered only minor injuries in the fall. The brothers also reportedly made an attempt to reach their sister with the ladder, but were turned back

by the intense heat from the flames.

Firemen from Mt. Pleasant Township,
Midway, McDonald, Sturgeon, Hanover
Township, Slovan, Burgettstown and Avella
responded to the fire, but the house was

already engulfed in flames when they arrived

Washington County Coroner Farrell Jackson said Miss Klinsky's body was found on her bed in the basement, where she fell after the floors of the house burned away. Jackson pronounced her dead at the scene at 5:35 a.m., listing the cause of death as thermal burns.

The family dog also died in the blaze, its body found lying near Miss Klinsky.

State police Fire Marshal Walter Anderson has ruled the fire started through accidental causes.

Four area residents lost their lives as a result of one-car accidents over the weekend.

The dead:

Terry (Pixie) Carter, 18, of Hickory R.D. 1, who was killed when the car she was driving crashed on Route 18 in Smith Township.

Robert Paul Marraccini, 19, of First Avenue, New Eagle, and Thomas Brooks, 18, of Fifth Avenue, New Eagle, victims of a crash on Route 88 in Bethel Park.

Mrs. Lois Simon, of Sixth and Wood Streets, New Eagle, was fatally injured in an accident on Main Street in Monongahela.

County Coroner Farrell

Jackson said Miss Carter was killed, and three persons injured, when their car skidded on a curve one and one-half miles north of Burgettstown, plunged over a bank and landed in a ditch.

Jackson said all four occupants were thrown fromthe car. Miss Carter was dead on arrival at Washington Hospital with a fractured skull.

Injured in the 1:15 a.m. accident were Donna Casper, 19, of Westland, who was hospitalized in satisfactory condition with a broken back, and William Brower, 22, of Westland, and Rodney Petras, 21, of 178 McGovern Road, Houston, both

treated for lacerations and released.

Jackson said the four were reportedly returning home from a dance.

Miss Carter, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Carter, was a 1969 graduate of Fort Cherry High School where she had been a cheerleader and a member of the National Honor Society. She was employed at the McGraw-Edison Plant in Canonsburg.

## Airlift to Allegheny General complicated by midair mishap

From staff and wire reports

It took an extra nine minutes and two helicopters, but rescuers still managed to transport a Washington woman injured in a car-truck accident Thursday to Allegheny General Hospital in Pittsburgh.

The helicopter that first departed from Allegheny General was forced to return to its base after it hit something — most likely a bird — in midair, scattering fiberglass fragments on a street in Mt. Lebanon where youths were playing, authorities said Friday.

A second helicopter was dispatched to take 29-year-old Mary Trussel of 1150 Jefferson Avenue, Washington, to Allegheny General for treatment of injuries she sustained in the 3:25 p.m. crash in Smith Township. She was listed in serious condition in the hospital's trauma unit Friday.

The helicopter-bird collision added about nine minutes to the usual response time for such flights, an Allegheny General spokesman said.

State police said both Ms. Trussel and

William S. Horwatt, 36, of 25 Hall Avenue, Washington, were ejected from the car in which they were riding when it went across Route 18, was struck by a tractor-trailer, became airborne and landed at the bottom of a 15-foot embankment. Neither was wearing a seat belt.

Horwatt was admitted to the intensive care unit of Washington Hospital. Police were not sure who was driving the car.

The driver of the tractor-trailer, Ellis E. Horner, 44, of Middlefield, Ohio, was not injured. No one was injured when fragments rained from the helicopter after its 5 p.m. run-in with the bird.

Michael Rosenberger, 17, said he was playing street hockey with five others when the fragments came down "pretty fast."

"It's a miracle none of us were hit," he said.

Fred Peterson, Allegheny General's administrative director for trauma and emergency services, said a 2-by-4-foot section of cowling that covers the engine was dislodged.

## McDonald Area Boy, 6, Killed On Way To School

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cian's office.

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a teacher.

A six-year-old McDonald area the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wil-the road into the path of a car 1960, at Canonsburg, a son of driven by Eugene Lukon, of 18 William H. Sr. and Mary Char-

Surviving, in addition to his George, all at home; his ma-Jackson said Lukon would be ternal grandparents, Mr. and required to post bond pending Mrs. George Charlier, and pafurther investigation, a routine ternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John K. Toward, all of Mcassaulted by a group of teenagers as he left a girls' volleyball game Monday night at Chartiers-Houston High School.

The boy also told police that the juveniles dented the hood of his pickup truck and broke the driver's side window. A 16-year-old Southview boy who was with him

was also punched in the back of the head by a member of the

group.

BOY ASSAULTED: A 16-year-old Hickory boy told Chartiers Township police that he was

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Michelle Doumont, the six-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Doumont, of Hickory, was crowned Little Miss Talent and Little Miss Model of Western Pennsylvania. Michelle will travel to the Poconos this weekend where she will compete for the national titles. Michelle is a student at Luanne's School of Dance and will perform an acrobatic routine to "Tomorrow" from Annie.

## Hickory man becomes 2nd victim of fatal crash

A 27-year-old Hickory man on Wednesday became the second victim of a traffic accident that took the life of his father Sunday.

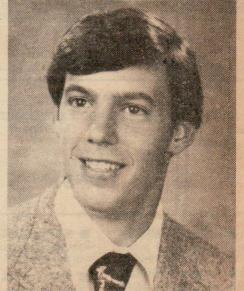
Ronald M. Russell of Hickory died Wednesday morning in the Erie County Medical Center, Buffalo, N.Y., of injuries suffered in the accident, a hospital spokesman confirmed.

He was the son of W. Scott Russell, district manager of Pittsburgh National Bank's Washington County offices.

The elder Russell was killed Sunday in Wilson, N.Y., near the shore of Lake Ontario, when he was thrown from a vehicle in which he, his son and Paul Lefevre of 1160 King George Court, Pittsburgh, were riding. Ronald Russell and Lefevre were trapped in the vehicle when it fell onto its side and struck a utility pole.

The three were returning home after fishing on Lake Ontario Sunday, Niagara County Coroner Kenneth Sherrie said Monday.

According to a Niagara County sheriff's deputy, the four-wheel-drive ve-



RONALD M. RUSSELL dies from accident injuries

hicle carrying the men was broadsided in an intersection by a car driven by Wendy Sue Foster, 25, of Ransomville, N.Y.

Ms. Foster was charged with failure to stop at a stop sign, a sheriff's deputy said Wednesday.

On Wednesday, Lefevre was released from Presbyterian-University Hospital, Pittsburgh, where he was transferred after being treated in New York.

The sheriff's department is attempting to contact Lefevre to determine who was driving the Russell vehicle.

# Local PNB exec killed in accident

By Linda M. Ritzer Staff Writer

The district manager of Pittsburgh National Bank's Washington County offices, W. Scott Russell, was killed Sunday night in a traffic accident in Niagara County, N.Y.

Russell, 60, of Hickory, a PNB vice president since 1973, died when the four-wheel vehicle in which he was riding was struck by a car at an intersection in Wilson, N.Y., on the shore of Lake Ontario, near the Canadian border.

The accident also critically injured his son, 27-year-old Ron Russell of Hickory, and injured another passenger, Paul Lefevre, 27, of 1160 King George Court, Pittsburgh. Ron Russell was in the intensive care unit at Erie County Medical Center, Buffalo, N.Y., where he was taken by emergency helicopter. Lefevre was taken to Lockport Memorial Hospital and was scheduled to be transferred to Presbyterian-University Hospital, Pittsburgh.

Russell, his son, and Lefevre were returning home after fishing on Lake Ontario at Olcott Beach, N.Y., on Sunday, according to Niagara County Cor-



W. SCOTT RUSSELL dies in New York crash

oner Kenneth Sherrie.

The accident occurred at 7:12 p.m. Sunday when a car driven by 25-year-old Wendy Sue Foster of Ransomville, N.Y., failed to stop at a stop sign and broadsided the vehicle, occupied by the three men.

The impact rolled the four-wheel drive vehicle, which was towing a boat, onto its side, forcing it into a telephone pole, according to Sherrie. The boat, which he said was at least 22 feet long, fell on top of the woman's car, crushing

Hickory man

## \$20,000 Damage To 3 Barns

## Arson Blamed In Fires

Arson is suspected in a series of barn fires late Wesnedsay and early Thursday which caused an estimated \$20,000 damage in Mt. Pleasant and Smith Townships.

Within a period of two hours, fires broke out at three farms in the area, and more than 50 firemen from Mt. Pleasant, Slovan, Burgettstown and McDonald Volunteer Fire. Departments worked most of the night to bring flames under

control.

Mt. Pleasant Township Fire Chief Lee Robinson said the first blaze was reported about 11:30 p.m. at the Fred Miller farm, about one and a half miles south of Atlasburg on Route 18 in Smith Township.

Mt. Pleasant, Slovan and Burgettstown firemen battled the blaze, but the barn and a quantity of hay was destroyed. Damage was estimated at \$4.000.

Shortly before 1 a.m., another barn fire broke out at the farm of Mrs. Cora McCalmont, McDonald R. D. 4, about a half mile north of Hickory on Ridge Road. The barn and about 8,000 bales of hay were destroyed with an estimated loss of \$12,000.

Robinson said while firemen were at the McCalmont farm, a glow in the sky was seen over the Edwin Cowden farm nearby in Cherry Valley. McDonald and Burgettstown fire departments had already been called to assist in the McCalmont fire, and the McDonald trucks were rerouted to the Cowden farm.

Robinson said a structure containing corn cribs and an overhead storage area was destroyed at the Cowden fire with an estimated damage of \$4,000.

Firemen were again called

out about 4:30 a.m. after Washington City Police relayed a report from a truck driver that he had spotted two fires in Mt. Pleasant Township. However, it was determined the driver must have seen the two fires at the McCalmont and Cowden farms earlier.

Robinson said arson is suspected, and that the State Police Fire Marshal will be asked to investigate.

# Ex-candidate charged with cocaine buy from police

2nd area man arrested

By Kathie O. Warco Staff Writer

Two Washington County men, one an unsuccessful candidate for countywide political office and the other the owner of a Hickory beer distributorship, were arrested Wednesday in New Stanton on drug charges after allegedly purchasing 2.2 pounds of cocaine from undercover state police.

Neal Kubala, 40, of 385 Wilbert Avenue, Washington, and Harry T. Wilson, 35, of Hickory Ridge Road, Hickory R.D.1, were arrested about 5:30 p.m. by undercover state troopers in the parking lot of the Knight's Court Motel in New Stanton.



The 2.2 pounds (1 kilo) of cocaine purchased from the undercover officers for \$30,000 was seized, police said.

The men were arraigned before District Justice J. Bruce King in Scottdale and were placed in the Westmoreland County

KUBALA Westmoreland County Jail on \$50,000 bond. The charges against the pair include possession, possession with intent to deliver cocaine and criminal conspiracy.

State police said Kubala owns Bogie's Deli, 378 West Chestnut Street, Washington, and the Raven Inn on Main Street in Ellsworth. Wilson owns a beer distributorship in Hickory, according to state police.

Kubala ran unsuccessfully in the 1989 Democratic primary for Washington County recorder of deeds.

A member of the state police Tactical Narcotics Team (TNT), who worked on the investigation, said that Kubala approached the officers about purchasing cocaine.

"It was Kubala who made the inquiry about the purchase," said one of the investigating officers. "It just happened to be an undercover state trooper who was the supplier. We were not advertising there was cocaine for sale."



#### **Old Timers Honored**

The annual Old Timers dinner sponsored by the Hickory Lions Club was held Tuesday at the Mt. Pleasant Fire Hall. Among those honored were four men in their 80s, 19 in their

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70s and 19 in their 60s. From left are John M. Caldwell, 86, Mike Wussiek, 80, outgoing Lions Club President Robert Hopper, Robert S. Phillips, 86, George A. Hoop, 89, and Raymond Marquis, 81.

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### **Outstanding citizens named**

David "Chris" Williams Sr. and his wife, Thelma, were presented with the Mt. Pleasant Township Outstanding Citizenship award over the weekend

The couple received a plaque Saturday night at the Hickory Apple Festival square dance.

A Mt. Pleasant Township couple are chosen each year to receive the community award at the annual Apple Festival.

The honor began as the Apple Festival King and Queen, but it was changed to reflect the residents' appreciation for those who contribute to the community.

Williams, who is the bank director of the Union National Bank in McDonald, is on the advisory board for the Western Pennsylvania Humane Society and is a senior judge of the American Horse Show Association.

His love of horses caused him to build a ring and hold his own horse show in 1950.

Proceeds from the show, which became an annual event, went towards purchasing a fire truck for the local fire department.

In 1946, Williams joined the Burgettstown Lions Club. Shortly after he joined, he decided to form a chapter in Hickory, which he did in 1955.

Over the years, he has served as the tax assessor, secretarytreasurer, zoning officer and planning commission chairman of Mt. Pleasant Township.

In 1945, Williams and Tom Berry went to Harrisburg and formed the state Auctioneers Association. Williams and nine other stockholders bought the Hickory Auction in 1949. He became the sole owner in 1956. The auction was sold in 1970.

Williams and his wife, who have have been Hickory residents for 39 years, were married on Nov. 28, 1935.

His wife. Thelma, is involved in



DAVID WILLIAMS SR. the PTA and women's auxiliary of the fire department. In addition, she has helped her husband in his efforts throughout the years.

The couple have two children, Joy Froebe of Rea and David Williams Jr. of Upper St. Clair, and four grandchildren.

#### Hickory postmaster honored for service

HICKORY — The Hickory postmaster is the 1986 recipient of the U.S. Postal Service Eastern Region Community Service Award.

Willard K. (Bud) Allison Jr. was selected because of his 31 years of community volunteerism. Nominated by the Pittsburgh Division, he was chosen as the award winner from 27 nominees from New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia and Pennsylvania.

A 34-year Postal Service veteran, he began his career as a postal clerk. Allison has been postmaster at Hickory since 1962.

Allison is a charter member of the Hickory Lions Club and served as its president in 1958. He has been involved in the Mt. Pleasant Township Volunteer Fire Department and is an elder in the Hickory United Presbyterian Church.

Area community leaders supported Allison's nomination in letters to the Pittsburgh Division.

"When the church needed leadership, the people naturally turned to their trusted friend, Bud," said the Rev. Harvey O. Johnson, pastor of the Hickory United Presbyterian Church.

Another supporter, Richard L. White, president of the Washington Federal Savings & Loan Association concurred with Johnson.

"He has expressed a lifelong committment to our area," White said.



## Three-generation medical tradition e

By Melanie Mars, Staff Writer

HICKORY — A 125-year-old tradition will come to an end in Hickory this October, when Dr. John K. McCarrell retires from his medical practice.

McCarrell has operated his medical practice in Hickory for 46 years. His father and grandfather had medical practices in the area.

"My grandfather began his medical practice here in 1861," he said. "There was about five or six years when a McCarrell was not practicing in the area because my grandfather had died and my father was not finished with school."

McCarrell began practicing in the picturesque town in September 1946 with his father.

"I have seen three generations of families being born in the area," he said. "Today there is the Northwest Medical facility and other doctors. But in the early days, it was my father and me.

"About 80 percent of the practice was going to people's homes," McCarrell said. "A couple of times, folks would come to get me with their horses and sleigh in the winter time. The roads were not cleared off in the winter; sometimes there was no other

way to get there."

Tirzah McCarrell, his wife, agreed, "We had a couple of winters that had a lot of snowfall. The farmers would come into town in the morning to bring their milk on their sleighs, which would go from here to Pittsburgh, and they would take him to the countryside for his rounds."

For a time, McCarrell was the company doctor at the Westland Mine. "The miners would pay \$2 a month and that would take care of their families and themselves," he said. "I had a little office at the mine and would be available for the miners when they changed shifts in case they had incurred an injury at the mine.

"One miner's family had 12 children, I delivered them all at home," he said. "When a family has that many children, you get to know them pretty well."

McCarrell said that sometimes the mine would have minor cave-ins or slate falling and he would wait at the entrance of the mine for the miners to bring the injured out.

"Once, I had to go into the mine when some slate fell on a man and killed him but generally I would wait at the entrance for them," he said.

He said people did not go to the hospital very often in the beginning.

"It was an economic problem, people did not have medical insurance in those days," he said. "The first ones to get any type of medical insurance were the miners."

He said that when people went to the hospital they were taken in an ambulance that was generally run by the local funeral director.

"In those days, all of the funeral directors had a vehicle that they used for an ambulance. It was not a very smooth ride but it got you there," he said

McCarrell was also the school doctor and also did the physical examinations for the young men who served in World War II. "We had a room set up at the schoolhouse in town for the examinations," he said.

Mrs. McCarrell said that being married to the only doctor in the area was difficult at times. "There were many a Christmas morning that our daughters would have to wait until he got back from a call and got a few hours rest before they could open their gifts," she said.

In addition, patients would often come to the house in search of the doctor. "Sometimes people thought I could help them because I was the doctor's wife, but I left all the medical advice and care to him," she said.

In addition to his practice in Hickory, McCarrell had an office and practice in Avella for many years.

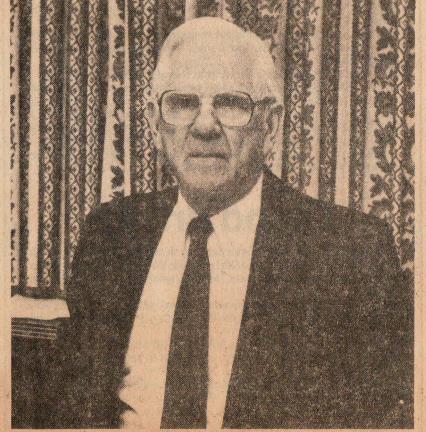
"Sometimes he would go out to West Middletown on a call and while he was out he would get another call from Avella," Mrs. McCarrell said. "I would not have any way of contacting him so he would come home and go right back out again. It would have been wonderful if he could have had a beeper then or a phone in his car."

After 46 years in the profession, McCarrell has decided to retire and perhaps do some traveling with his wife. "Now there are so many other doctors in the area that I am not needed as much," he said. "There is the medical center and other good younger doctors are setting up practices in the area."

McCarrell and his wife have two daughters, Mary Beth of Alexandria, Va., and Sally of Charleston, W. Va., and three granddaughters.

Friends are cordially invited to attend a reception honoring Dr. John K. McCarrell upon his retirement. The reception, sponsored by organizations from the Hickory community, will be held at the Mt. Pleasant Township Fire Hall in Hickory from 3 to 6 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 26, 1986.

## ending in Hickory



Dr. John K. McCarrell

## Area man shoots, kills wife, himself

By Dave Molter, Staff Writer

MIDWAY — A distraught husband shot and killed his wife in front of several stunned patrons at the local tavern where she worked, then used the same weapon to take his own life shortly before 5 p.m. Friday.

Joanne Yanek Cooper, 53, of 216 Dickson Street, Midway, was shot twice — once in the side, once in the back — by her husband, Richard Allen Cooper, 41, of the same address. She was shot while she tended bar at Jake's, Dickson Street and North Avenue.

Cooper then killed himself with a single shot to the heart from the same .357-caliber Magnum, said Washington County Coroner Farrell Jackson, who pronounced both victims dead at the scene.

According to Jackson, witnesses said Cooper entered the bar, located on the main street of the Smith Township community, about 4:15 p.m. and ordered drinks. Cooper apparently remained at the bar drinking for about 15 minutes without incident before he and his

wife, who was behind the bar, began to argue.

Witnesses told police Cooper produced a gun and shot his wife after she began shouting at him. State police investigators said about six customers in the bar at the time witnessed the shooting.

Jackson said Cooper, after shooting his wife, apparently left the white frame building through a rear door, walked across a gravel parking lot and entered his latemodel Jeep, parked about 60 yards behind the bar on North Avenue.

Using the same weapon, Cooper then shot himself once through the heart, Jackson said.

Police found Cooper slumped on the front seat of the Jeep, the gun lying on the floor near the passenger side door.

Cooper had parked the Jeep in front of his mother's house on North Avenue, Jackson said.

"What we have here is a tragic situation where a husband and wife evidently had some marital problems," said Jackson.

State police said the case is still under investigation.



Washington County Coroner Farrell Jackson, center, talks with police investigators near the Jeep where Richard Allen Cooper, 41, took his own life after fatally shooting his wife, Joanne Yanek Cooper, 53.

#### 3 McDonald men charged for store robbery in Slovan

Three McDonald men were arrested Tuesday in connection with the Dec. 18 robbery of Filiponi's PX on Main Street in Slovan.

The three, Dennis Zombeck, 29, of McDonald, Leslie Todd Bowland, 23, of McDonald R.D.2 and Keith Chapel, 23, of McDonald, have all been charged with criminal conspiracy and robbery. They were arraigned before Magistrate Thomas McGraw of Burgettstown.

Bond for each has been set at \$10,000.

Smith Township Police said Tues-

incident as an armed robbery because, although employees at the store never saw a gun, three men allegedly entered the establishment, claimed they were armed, and threatened to kill the employees.

The men allegedly entered the store at about 7 p.m. One punched coowner Wayne Jeffreys in the mouth, breaking some teeth, and another punched part-time employee George A. Harvey.

The men fled the scene with the store's cash drawer.

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#### FURNITURE

#### Auction

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clemens, Main St., Hickory, Pa. Next to Fire Hall.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 13, 1969 10:00 A.M.

FURNISHINGS — Refrigerator, oak dining table with 6 chairs, side board, china closet, kitchen cabinet, wardrobe, occasional chair, dressers, 2 gas heating stoves, gossip bench, cot, chairs, carpets, Maytag washer, dishes, utensils, blinds, drapes, jars, books, potted plants, other items.

plants, other items.

ANTIQUES — Cherry drop leaf table, 2 rockers, chairs, 1814 wall clock, 4 mantel clocks, weight clock, picture frames, bookcase - desk combination, marble top hall rack, b r a s s beds, mantel mirror, 5-gal. stone crocks, 5-gal. jugs, smoothing plane, buck saw, wood vise.

plane, buck saw, wood vise.

TOOLS — 3-in. bench vise, 4
bench saw, bench grinder, jigsay, electric plane 2 7-in. electric saws, stapling gun, ¼"
drill, ½" drill, 3x24" electric
sander, vibrating sander, pipe
dies, boring machine, 13 wood
bits, 1/16 to 1", mew; glass cutting table, complete; ½-hp
motor, beam scales, 22-in. rotary mower, reel mower, benzomatic kit, mortar box, 50 and
100 ft. extension ladders, step
ladders, blocks, rope, chain
blocks, lime spreader, garden
plows, wheelbarrow, s c r e w
jacks, complete line of carpenter tools, hand tools, garden
tools, many other items.

Lunch served in Fire Hall by Mt. Pleasant Twp. Volunteer

Fire Co. Auxiliary. Terms: Cash.

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Clemens Hickory, Pa.

DAVID H. WILLIAMS

Auctioneer Hickory, Pa. Phone 356-2238

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#### The Original West End Reunion

In this photo taken in 1910 are the members of the original West End reunion. Their descendants will hold a reunion for families and friends who lived in the West End of Washington during the '30s, '40s and '50s. It will be held at the American Legion picnic grounds on Park Avenue, Saturday, Sept. 5, from 1 to 10 p.m. Those identified by number are: 1- M. Johnson; 2- B. Thompson; 3- M. Brownlee; 4- S. Thompson; 5- Thompson boys; 6- E. Redlinger; 7- M. Morris; 8- C. Thompson; 9-Redlinger; 10- B. Frazee; 11- M. Redlinger; 12- A. Redlinger; 13- G. Kent; 14- B. Brownlee; 15- G. Cosgrave; 16- G. Jones; 17- B. Keirs; 18- B. Warnick; 19- I. Thompson; 20- A. Redlinger; 21- A. Keirs; 22- Ed Redlinger. The photo was submitted by Allan Keirs Jr.

### Two enter guilty pleas following testimony

By Barbara S. Miller, Staff Writer

After two witnesses testified about a robbery last December at the PX Market, Slovan, a McDonald area man changed his plea from innocent to guilty and was sentenced Tuesday in Washington County Court.

His co-defendent, who had a prior robbery conviction, also pleaded

guilty.

Judge John F. Bell set prison terms for Dennis W. Zombeck, 30, of Mc Donald R. D. 3, and Keith Chappell, 24, of Mc Donald.

Zombeck, who was described as the lookout, was sentenced to 2½-10 years and Chappell was sentenced to 3-10 years. They were ordered to repay the store a share of the \$1,728 stolen from the register drawer and cover part of \$300 in medical bills incurred by the owner, Wayne Jeffrey, who was roughed up.

Jeffrey said the men threatened him and employee Tony Harvey and pounded on the counter. He testified at the trial that he thought Zombeck had a gun in his pocket, but Zombeck, when entering the guilty plea, said he was unarmed.

The men told the judge they were out of work and had been drinking heavily the day of the robbery.

A third co-defendant, Leslie T. Bowland, of 2 Second Street, Mc Donald, pleaded guilty to robbery in April before Bell. His plea bargain with the district attorney's office calls for a sentence of 1½-5 years. He has not yet been sentenced.

Smith Township Police Chief Ronald Roach said state police were able to obtain Bowland's fingerprints at the store. He is alleged to have ripped the telephone from the wall.

During the trial, Samuel Pangburn, Zombeck's court-appointed lawyer, tried to show that Jeffrey may have mistaken Zombeck for one of his nine brothers. Jeffrey

said he knew three of Zombeck's brothers and said none of those he was acquainted with committed the crime.

A jury was selected Monday to hear Zombeck's case. Assistant District Attorney Penny Spiewak gave her opening argument and testimony began Tuesday morning. The jury was kept out of earshot while the judge conducted the hearing on the guilty pleas, and he called the jurors back into the courtroom when the proceeding was finished. Bell told them that after hearing the witnesses tell about the robbery, Zombeck decided to enter into a plea bargain.

Zombeck's past criminal record included drunken driving, trespassing and simple assault. Mrs. Spiewak told the judge Chappell had previously been convicted of resisting arrest, public drunkenness, and in 1982, robbery, for which he was sentenced 8-23 months in jail.



PLANT SAFETY RECORD — The local Drakenfeld Division plant of Hercules, Inc., has received a corporation safety award plaque for days worked without a tabulable accident. Oldry Sedenka, production manager, presents the award to Earl Meeks, chairman of the plant safety committee. Standing next to Meeks is John Wright, plant safety engineer. In

the background, from the left: D. Potts, plant superintendent; Mel Sargent, Burl Boughenour, Jim Thomas, Bill Theakston and John Kraushaar, allmembers of the plant safety committee. As of February 1 the plant had operated 427 days without an accident and the prior record of 369 accident-free days was surpassed last November 30.

## **Prominent** horseman steps down

**By Don Herschell** Farm Editor

HICKORY - A familiar face was missing from last weekend's National Pike Festival wagon train. This year it will be noticeably absent from many other local festivals and parades as well.

Longtime horseman Kenny Briggs of Chartiers Township has decided to retire his surrey, sleigh and harness and to sell most of his horses and equipment. At 76, Briggs says his eyesight isn't what it used to be, and it's time to quit.

"I'll miss it. I was the better equipped for it now than I ever was in my life. I had a good bobsled, good sleigh, good surrey and good wagon," he said. "But there comes a time when you have to give it up.'

Briggs will give up almost all his equipment and horses at a public auction Saturday at 10 a.m. at his barn, Route 18 near the intersection of Route 50 in Mt. Pleasant Township. He will keep only a tractor and mower, two colts and a pony for his family's use.

In addition to the two-seat French surrey, which he said is more than 100 years old, the 25-passenger trolley wagon, the sled and the sleigh, Briggs will sell various pieces of farm equipment and numerous saddles, harnesses, halters, bridles and horse accessories.

He will also sell a pair of 6-yearold Belgian brood mares, a 2-yearold registered Belgian mare, a 2-year-old Percheron mare, a matched pair of roan ponies and a 3-year-old stud pony.

Briggs and his wife, Harriet, have resided in Chartiers Township for almost all their married lives. He is a retired employee of the former Penn Manufacturing Co. in Washington and for about 20 years was a director of the Washington County Agricultural Fair. Since the 1950s he has been one of the superintendents of horses at the fair.

Every year there has been a fair since 1915, when he was born, Briggs has attended the Washington County Fair. His parents took him to his first fair in a surrey, he said. His father, a farmer who was also a horseman, taught him how to break, train and care for horses.

But wasn't until 1965 that he be-



Observer-Reporter / Charles Wilson

Kenny Briggs walks one of his Belgians.

gan driving in parades, festivals, weddings, hay rides, wagon trains and at other special events. Last week he did his final children's birthday party.

"Chris Williams, an auctioneer from Hickory, called me one night and said, 'Doc (Harold L.) Noble's daughter's getting married, and he wants a surrey wedding," Briggs said. "I had a surrey, but I didn't have a matched double set of driving harness."

Williams told him he would lend him the harness and that the doctor would pay \$150.

"Well, back then \$150 was a lot of money. I went in and done the wedding and come back and told him, and he said, 'You just keep the harness," Briggs said.

Dr. Ellenetta Beachley Noble, wife of the late Dr. Harold L. Noble, remembered that Briggs had a gelding named Duke, but he had no mare to match it. Briggs found a mare and trained them during the week before the Sept. 4, 1965, wedding. Fittingly, its name was Duchess. "They did beautifully," she said.

"That was the startin' of it.

That's the first outing I done with the horses, outside of showin' them at the fair," Briggs said. "Then I started giving hay rides at homes and for churches, bobsled rides and sleigh rides.'

Until this year, Briggs had driven a wagon in the Washington County section of the National Pike Festival every year since it began. He and his horses have also participated in the Covered Bridge and the Houston Pumpkin festivals since they started.

He has driven in numerous weddings, parades and for special gatherings. For many years, he has also competed in hitch and pony pulling competitions at local fairs. He won the first pony pull at the Jacktown Fair and also pulled the first pair of mules ever pulled

"I always had a love for horses, seeing them do a good job. I had hundreds of them, and I don't think that's an exaggeration," he said. "It's a challenge to start them from colts and train them to do what a horse ought to do. It's kind of a lost art anymore."



These are the Hickory Elementary School teachers in the 1940s: Front row, from left, are Orella Acheson, first grade; Elsie Reed, sixth grade; Flora Carlisel, eighth grade; and Tillie Allison, second grade. In the back row, same order, are Virginia Caldwell, third grade; Marthetta McCarrell, fourth grade; Milocrent Harriot, fifth grade; and Lois Acheson, seventh grade.

This is the 100th anniversary of schooling in the Hickory area, which began with the opening of the Hickory Academy in 1895.

Hickory High School, by the way, was the first

vocational high school west of the Appalachians.



tra in 1920-21. Standing are Leon Shillito, John McVicker, Robert Chapman and Ted Shannon. Seated are Albert Cooper, the director (name unknown) and John



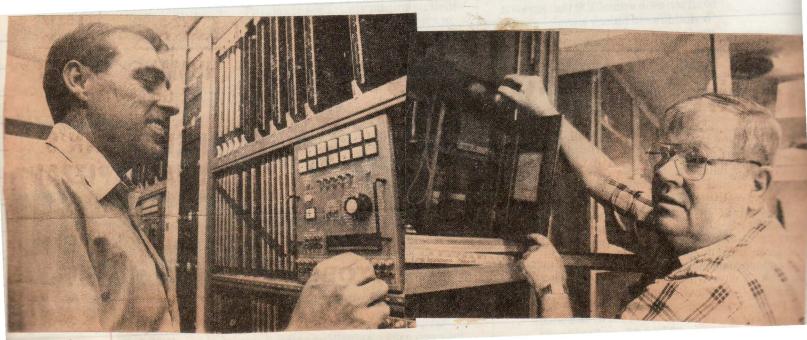
Here's the Hickory High School Orchestra in 1920-21. Standing are Leon Shillito, John McVicker, Robert Chapman and Ted Shannon. Seated are Albert Cooper, the director Phillips.



This is the Agriculture Class, year unknown. In back row, from left, are Robert Lyle, Marshall Cooper, John C. Dinsmore and Glenn Farrar. In the front row, same order, are Walter M. Campbell, John M. Caldwell, Supervisor Stanley R. Henning, Carl Martin and George Goodwin. The photo was submitted by A.D. White.



This is the first and second grade in 1917-1918. The photo was submitted by Lois Acheson, who is the girl at the right of the teacher.



# OUR TOWN

It's a big weekend in Hickory—perhaps the biggest of the year.

Women of the fire company auxiliary, and volunteers are already making 1,000 apple pies for



the town's annual apple festival.

With 697 pies completed, Barbara Cole, Sally Schultz, Rita Bongiorni and Marg Quinby, show no signs of fatique.

Elsewhere in Hickory, life goes on as normal.

Manager Grier Adamson checks the state-of-the-art digital switching equipment at the independent Hickory Telephone Co....Helen and Bob Strike peruse merchandise at The Store House, operated by the Hickory United Presbyterian Church...Bob White, of the Mt. Pleasant Historical Library Assocation, inspects a 1945 Hickory telephone book...Juanita Corwin quilts, as she does every Tuesday with the Presbyterian Women...Gary Kennedy and Bob McDaid load hog feed onto a truck at the Hickory Feed Mill.

And all over Hickory, there is the aroma of apples...





# Fire damages Hickory Feed Mill

Fire damaged the Hickory Feed Mill, 2 Wabash St., in Hickory Saturday afternoon.

Mt. Pleasant police Chief Dean Casciola said the fire began sometime between 4:30 and 5 p.m. and extensively damaged the building and its contents.

Firefighters from six departments responded to the fire, which

caused an estimated \$35,000 in damage to the building and \$15,000 to its contents. Casciola said he stored straw in the building.

The state police fire marshal is investigating the cause of the blaze.

Fire also broke out at American Foods on Route 18 in Langeloth, after 5 p.m. That building is vacant.



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### LET'S HEAR IT FOR CLARA GOUGHENOUR! **YOU'RE #1!**

YOU'RE #1!

CARLISLE, Colin Stewart and Christopher Scott, twin sons of Matthew and Mila Carlisle of 6812 Pipestone Lane, Charlotte, N.C., on April 27, 1997, in Presbyterian Hospital, Charlotte.

Paternal grandparents are James and Linda Carlisle of Hickory. Maternal grandparents are Milu McNay of Bellair, Fla., and the late Bob McNay.

Winning pitcher Mike Rodgers hit a triple to help Avella down McDonald, 9-6. in a Six Town Pony game. Cody Jeffers and Nate Torboli each had a double for Avella.

rv (12-3).

# Hickory resident celebrates 75th birthday

Mrs. Hilda Wagner of Hickory celebrated her 75th birthday with a surprise buffet dinner held Feb. 9 at the Ramada Inn in Washington.

The party, given by her sons, was attended by 45 relatives and friends. Decorations included purple balloons and the birthday cake was iced in purple and

white.

Among those present were her son and daughter-in-law, James and Sally Reedy of Bavington; her grandson, James Reedy and

wife Mary Ann of Langeloth along with their 2-month-old twin sons, Joey and Jim. Mrs. Wagner's other three sons, Bob of McMurray, Wesley of Michigan and David of Colorado were also in attendance. Mrs. Wagner's daughter, Bonnie of Denver, Colorado, was unable to attend.

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#### Clemenses Of Hickory Are Wed 59 Years

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clemens of Hickory celebrated their 59th wedding anniversary Sunday, September 24 in their home.

They were married September 20, 1913 at Wellsburg, W. Va. by Rev. Holmes.

Mrs. Clemens is the daughter of the late James and Elizabeth Kelly. Mr Clemens is the son of the late Edward and Margaret Clemens.

Mr. Clemens was employed by the Pittsburgh and West Virginia Railroad until his retirement. Following his retirement he continued to work at Meadowcroft Village at Avella R. D. as long as his health permitted.

They are parents of one son and six daughters including: Russell Clemens, Cherry Valley; Betty, wife of Bill Donaldson, Hickory; Mary, wife of Paul Walters, Hickory; Peg, wife of Edward Grabski, Slovan; Helen, wife of O. H. Cooke, Hickory Clana, wife of Burl Goughenour, Hickory. One daughter, Mrs. Beulah Allen, is deceased.

The couple has 19 grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren.

This is a 1938 photo which appears to be an allstar team made up of players who played in the old County League. Teams represented are Avella, Hickory, Jefferson and Westland. The photo belonged to the late Raymond Marquis, who was a catcher and outfielder, but is not in the photo. Shown are, from left, first row, Pete Knish, unknown, Joe Dhayer, Henry Dhayer, John (Turk) Antosh and Howard Ferrell. Second row, John Ferrell, Joe Dami, Bert Sethman, Clinton (Hack) Wilson and Pete Kramer. Third row, manager, Lou Alrutz, John Dhayer, Chuck Brezinski, Caspter (Cap) Vargo, James (Lefty) Dhayer, Joe Brezinski and unknown. Photo submitted by Charles R. Marquis.







#### Campbell - 50 years

Richard and Beverly Campbell of Hickory celebrated their golden wedding anniversary with a family dinner and will celebrate with an open house from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday at Chartiers Crossroads Presbyterian Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Campbell were married March 6, 1959, in Hickory United Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Morledge officiating.

The couple have three children, Connie Burlina of Hickory, Bonnie Clayton of Sharpsburg, Ga., and Lisa McGraw of

Hickory.

Their grandchildren are Christie and Mackenzie Burlina, Adam, Hannah, Luke and Rebecca Clayton and Sara and Joe McGraw.

Mr. Campbell is retired from Climax Corp. in Langeloth and works part-time at Canonsburg Ambulance as a driver.

Mrs. Campbell is a retired homemaker and managed The House of Cards in Washington Mall.

Together, Mr. and Mrs. Campbell operated a bakery in their home.

# Grounding a ginko

**Tyler Pesto** of Pesto and Pesto Landscaping of Hickory plants a ginko tree Monday on East Wheeling Street in Washington.The company was contracted to replace nine trees that had been damaged in the downtown revitilization area.



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Driver charged: John J. Rodgers Jr., 28, of Maple Street, Canonsburg, was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol after Chartiers police found him asleep behind the wheel of his car in the 300 block of Western Avenue early Monday. Rodgers' blood-alcohol content was more than double the 0.08 percent limit at which the state presumes intoxication, police said.

# Police: Teen stole gun from stepfather's home

An 18-year-old man was arrested Monday in connection with a November burglary at his stepfather's Mt. Pleasant Township home in which a gun was stolen.

Anthony Michael Cooke is accused by Mt. Pleasant police of burglarizing the home of Mark Cowden at 36 Woodland

Road Nov. 7.

A second man, John Davis Manning, 18, of Hickory, was arrested several days after the reported burglary.

Police said Cooke originally told them that they intended to rob a drug dealer identified

only as "D."

Cooke also reportedly gave false information about Manning's involvement in the burglary.

Last month, Manning passed a polygraph test. He

said that he, Cooke and a third person were going to rob the dealer. He was to meet Cooke at his home. When Manning arrived, Cooke was carrying the gun in his waist band.

Manning said the gun was traded for drugs. The weapon was recovered by police in McKeesport during a nar-

cotics investigation.

Cooke was arraigned before District Judge Valarie Costanzo on charges of robbery, criminal conspiracy, false reports, false swearing and carrying an unlicensed firearm. He was placed in Washington County Jail on \$10,000 bond.

Manning, who is free on \$10,000 unsecured bond, is awaiting a preliminary hearing this month on the burglary and theft charges.

#### ARTNICK-In loving memory of STANLEY F. BARTNICK who passed away on Feb. 29, 2008



It's already been one year.

We love and miss you everyday.

Rest in Peace, Stanley.

Love always,

Jacqueline, Savannah,

Families and Friends.

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Stevens, Riley Michael, son of Joseph Stevens and Brittany Bongiorni of Burgettstown, on August 11, 200, in Washington Hospital. Paternal grandparents are Ernest and Lorraine Stevens of McDonald, Maternal grandparents are Michael and Amy Bongiorni of Southview.



Carol and John Yanber of Eldersville, Stanley and Stephanie Mozina, Jessica Pitt and Ken Golonka vacationed at Bethany Beach, Del.

#### Phillip D. Huber

1967-2008

Phillip David "Boss" Huber, 41, of Burgettstown, died unexpectedly Sunday, October 5, 2008, in Weirton (W.Va.) Medical Center, because of injuries sustained in an ATV accident.

He was born July 28, 1967, in Washington Hospital, a son of William J. and Shelby McKee Huber of Slovan.

Mr. Huber was a graduate of Burgettstown High School.

At the time of his death, he was employed as a supervisor at Chujko Inc. in McKees Rocks.

An avid outdoorsman, Mr. Huber enjoyed hunting and fishing, his Siberian husky, "Suka," and riding ATVs with his son.

He was a member of Raccoon Valley Sportsman's Club and a parishioner at Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church in Burgettstown.

On April 15, 1994, he married Paula Garcia, who survives.

Also surviving, in addition to his parents and wife, are his son, Jon Raymond Garcia-Huber; three brothers, Joseph Huber and wife Karen of Slovan, William D. Huber of Slovan and Michael J. McKee and wife Erin of Burgettstown; a sister, Cheryl Vigliotti and husband Ralph of Burgettstown; his god daughter, Victoria Vigliotti; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are his father- and mother-in-law, Manuel and Ir-

vene Garcia. Friends will be received from 2 to 9 p.m. Wednesday in Lee and Martin Funeral Home, 73 Highland Avenue, Burgettstown A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Thursday, October 9, in Our Lady of Catholic Lourdes Roman Church, Burgettstown, with the Rev. Robert Connolly, pastor, as celebrant. Interment will follow in Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to his family in order to establish a trust fund for his son's education.

## Man killed in ATV accident

A Burgettstown man died Sunday evening after a crash on a four-wheeler near Eldersville.

Phillip Huber, 41, was riding the four-wheeler on Miller Read when he lost control and hit a tree, said Brady Mermon, Jefferson Township Volunteer Fire Department Fire Chief.

Huber was transported to Weirton (W.Va.) Medical Center, where he died Mermon said.



The Acheson Homestead was enlarged several times as the hospital grew. This photo was taken in 1905.



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The A.W. Acheson Homestead on Acheson Avenue was the first Washington Hospital, which was incorporated May 25, 1897.



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The City Hospital, on the corner of Duncan Avenue and Second Street opened in April 1907.

# 200 years of history

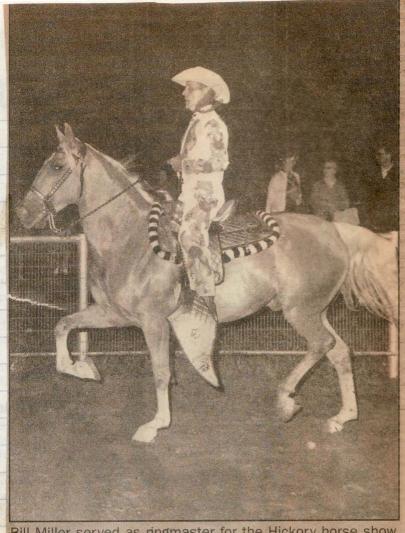


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#### **Parading around**

Terri McGinnis, left, and her children Carly, 5, and Richard, 19 months, had bags ready for scooping candy tossed during Hickory's recent bicentennial celebration parade. Their friend Virginia Day, second from right, of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.,

and formerly of Hickory, returned especially for the bicentennial celebration. While they waited, "Hodgie," a marionette created by Hickory native Jean Wallace, stopped for a chat.



Bill Miller served as ringmaster for the Hickory horse show, which raised money for the Mt. Pleasant Fire Department. Miller is wearing a costume made by his wife, Martha.



Gailey and Louise Wilson pose next to a 1928 or 1929 Buick near West Middletown in 1932. The couple operated an antique store out of their home.



The largest gas well in the world was drilled on Alexander McGugin's property in 1882. When workers struck gas, the escaping vapor blew the tools the drilling crew used high into the air and made the well impossible to cap. The site is now the Agape campground.



PHOTO PROVIDED BY CLIFF WILLIAMS

The Colwes family stands in front of their home at 65 Main St. in a photo taken in 1892.



A train wreck on the Wabash Railroad between 1905 and 1910 killed one person at Acheson Station. A switch in the wrong position put both trains on the same track. The crash occurred just east of Southview Road Junction.



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At left, soldiers home from World War I march up Wabash Avenue from the train station in 1919.

Below, a view of Main Street, facing west, taken between 1892 and 1906 when workers began paving the road. The building on the right is Hickory Academy.

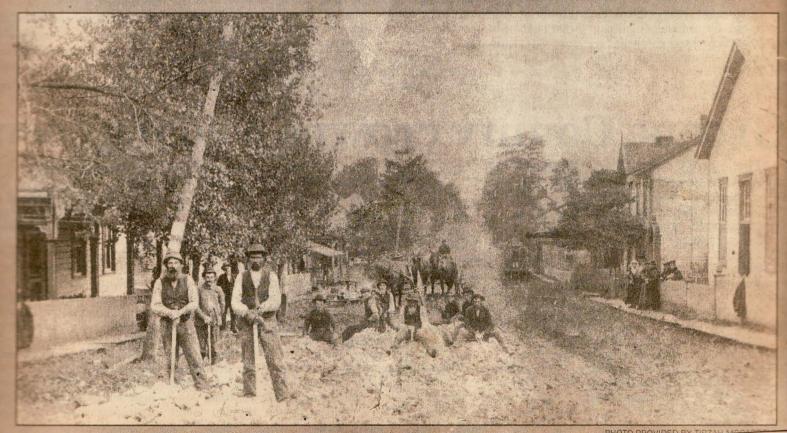
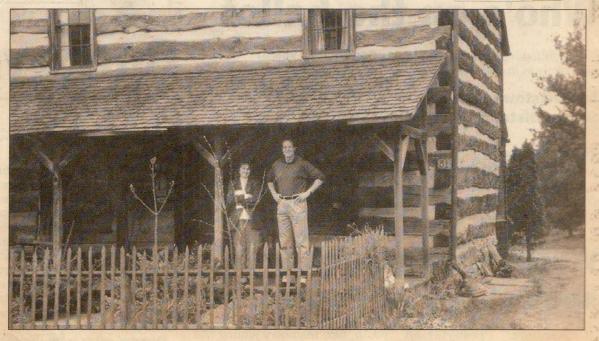


PHOTO PROVIDED BY TISTALI MAGAZE



**MARTHA BELL AND** Peter Darragh stand on Mrs. Bell's front porch. Her house is one of the oldest buildings in Hickory.



Late season skinny dippers

IOAN O'NEILL/THE OBSERVER-REPORTER

The looks given by these two Holstein cows indicate they would rather be left to themselves as they take advantage of a warm fall day and wade in the water. They are part of a dairy herd on the Edwin Cowden farm near Hickory.

So far, the committee has planned for a two-hour parade on Aug. 23 with horses, historic wagons, antique equipment and the H.J. Heinz wagon and horse team.

A float contest will be held, with prizes awarded for the top three floats, Darragh said. The Hickory Lions/Lioness Club will then hold an antique show with vendors from across the region.

Darragh has contacted a local television station which, he said, will broadcast the weather report from the Hickory celebration. Classes from the old Hickory School will also hold their reunion during the same weekend.

Adding to Hickory's history,

the town can be placed on the list of that claims George Washington slept there, Darragh said.

"George Washington was granted a bunch of land in this area for helping during the Revolutionary War," Mrs. Bell said. "He collected revenue from it, but he couldn't check on it often."

He soon found that squatters were living on his land and had to come to Hickory to kick them out, Mrs. Bell said.

"Very colorful language was exchanged," she said. "I don't think it was ever really happily resolved."

Mrs. Bell lives in one of the oldest buildings left in Hickory. Her log house sits across the street from the Hickory Post Office. When she and her husband bought it in the 1970s, she said the whole town thought they were crazy.

"We provided the entertain-

ment for the residents for a while," she said.

The house had not been lived

in for a few years and a family of

raccoons had taken it over, she

said. The building was an eyesore to the community because it hadn't been properly kept. Almost 20 years after they bought it, the Bell family is still working to fix the cabin, Mrs. Bell said.

Family names such as Cowden, White and Dinsmore

were prominent during the previous two centuries and continue to be well-known in Hickory today.

"Several families have been here for many generations,"
Darragh said. "People don't leave

places. Hickory is unique because it's able to maintain its own identity in a changing world."

here as much as they do other

ARSON ARREST: State police arrested a Mt. Pleasant Township woman Monday morning and charged her with causing \$65,000 in damage to her McCarrell Road residence.

Patricia Louise Moore, 49, of 98
McCarrell Road, was charged
with two counts of arson and
related offenses, insurance fraud
and criminal conspiracy to
commit arson.

The charges stem from an August 25, 1996, fire at Moore's residence. Police said Moore will be arraigned before District Justice Jay Weller.

The amount of Moore's bond will be set by Weller. QT 97

RICHARD V. MOORE II. 27. of 34 Shin Hill St., Joffre, was sentenced to 2 to 12 months in iail after pleading guilty to reckless endangerment and resisting arrest after attempting to run over a Burgettstown police officer. A charge of aggravated assault was dropped. Moore attempted to run over Dean Casciola on July 25 outside 18 Maple Ave., Burgettstown, while Casciola was on duty. Moore was driving an all-terrain vehicle. When police attempted to handcuff Moore, he fought with them and was charged with resisting arrest.

CHARGED WITH ROBBERY: An Avella man is in Washington County Jail, charged with robbing and assaulting his neighbor early Tuesday.

Robert D. Eckles, 30, of 959 Old

Ridge Road, Cross Creek

Township, is accused of breaking into the bedroom at the home of James E. Stephens, 1034 Old Ridge, after Stephens refused to come out, state police said. He allegedly hit Stephens and dragged him by the pony tail. He also reportedly removed a diamond ring from Stephens' hand and kicked him in the face. police said. Eckles was arraigned before District Justice Jay Weller on charges of robbery, burglary, simple assault, terroristic threats, criminal mischief and harassment. He was jailed on

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\$5,000 bond.

Two people were admitted to the ARD program.

A Mt. Pleasant Township man. Clyde Nishnick Jr., 31, of 30 Red Fox Road, was admitted for 12 months. Nishnick was charged with simple assault after striking a woman in his Hickory home on May

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assault arrests: A Hickory man was arrested Tuesday on a warrant in connection with the Oct. 6 assault of his estranged wife.

James H. Clemens Jr. of 91 Main

St. is accused of grabbing Tracy Clemens by the neck and throwing her into a vehicle at 852 Henderson Ave., according to a complaint filed by state police with District justice Marjorie Teagarden. He is also accused of punching her in the face and kicking her in the leg.

He was arraigned before
Teagarden on charges of simple
assault and harassment. He was
released on \$5,000 unsecured
bond. He was later placed in
Washington County Jail on a
parole detainer.

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Cooper said her mother intended to use the insurance money to pay off the mortgage. Debra Cahill of Houston, an insurance claims representative, said Moore took out a policy on the house on Aug. 12, about two veeks before the fire. The Moores received almost \$3,100 from the insurance company in the month after the fire to cover living and clean-up expenses.

"I didn't feel she was entitled to the insurance," Cooper said. "It wasn't their money. The rest of us bust our butts to get what we want

... it's not fair."

Cooper said it was her husband, Richard, who notified state police about his mother-in-law's involvement. Richard Cooper said he first called police a few weeks after the fire, but he received no return call. He called again in September 1997 and spoke with Trooper Steven Thompson. Richard Cooper testified that Moore indicated she

rest. Cooper said that he and his mother-in-law "were not the best of friends," but that his wife always got along with her mother.

Moore remains free on \$10,000 recognizance bond.

Thompson filed a juvenile petition against Moore's daughter, Rhonda L. Moore, also charging her with two counts of arson, insurance fraud and criminal conspiracy. She was a few days shy of her 18th birthday at the time of the fire.

### Hickory woman charged with arson

BY KATHIE O. WARCO

THE OBSERVER-REPORTER kwarco@observer-reporter.com

A Hickory woman was ordered held for court Wednesday on charges of setting fire to her house in order to collect insurance benefits.

Patricia L. Moore, 49, is accused of setting fire to her family's two-story frame house at 98 McCarrell Road in Mt. Pleasant Township on Aug. 25, 1996. Moore, who was charged by state police with two counts of arson and one count each of insurance fraud and criminal conspiracy, was ordered to stand trial after a preliminary hearing before District Justice Jay Dutton.

The fire started in a kerosene heater near a first-floor closet.

State Trooper Shaun Jones, who initially investigated the fire, said Moore indicated she was checking the kerosene heater for the upcoming winter months.

"I wondered why she was even thinking about it (the heater) when the temperature outside was at least 80 degrees," Jones said.

Jones also questioned why
Moore took apart the heater and put

it back together.

Defense attorney George Stegenga asked why Jones didn't send samples of carpeting or other items in the home for testing.

items in the home for testing.

"There was no question what started the fire or where it started,"
Jones said. "The only question was the intent."

Moore's daughter, Rana Cooper of Avella, testified that her mother had planned to burn the house because she could not afford the mortgage payments.

"She'd been evicted in the past and saw (setting the fire) as an easier way out," Cooper said, breaking

into tears.

"I was at her house that morning and she said that today was the day," Cooper said. "She told my sister to get what she wanted out of the house because she was going to get the kerosene." 852 Henderson Ave., Washington.

State police said James Henry Clemens Jr., 35, attacked his wife, Tracy Lynn Clemens, causing facial injuries. James Clemens fled in his wife's car before police arrived. She was admitted to Washington Hospital and later released.

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**ASSAULT CHARGE:** A Canton Township man faces charges. accused of assaulting his estranged wife Saturday night and taking her car during a

confrontation at their home at

BOY FACES CHARGES: A 16year-old Houston boy will be charged with providing state police with false information, driving without a license, leaving the scene of an accident and careless driving.

State police said Harry T. Wilson Jr. backed a vehicle out of Madison Alley, hit a parked car and left the scene Saturday. He allegedly attempted to give police false information because he was driving on a learner's permit without a licensed driver in the car.

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man faces charges of furnishing alcohol to minors after an underage drinking party in the woods behind 115 Washington-Pike, Independence Township.

State police will charge John J. Rodgers Jr., 21, of Avella. Police also will cite the participants in the party.

The board accepted the retirement of elementary school teacher Marjorie Beaumariage under the offer.

Beaumariage has worked in the district for 35 years, Zellars said.

The package offers an \$8,000 bonus, up to \$12,500 pay for sick days and single health insurance coverage.



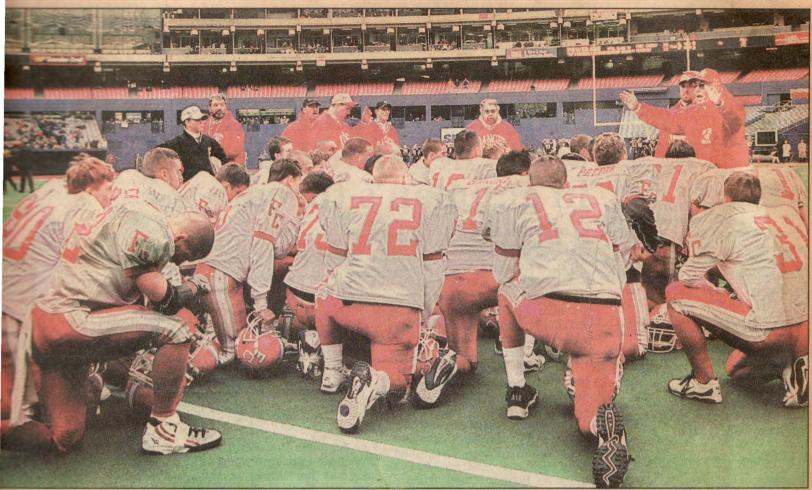
Marjorie Beaumarriage hugs the Pennsylvania Folk Art II quilt she itched. The quilt is white on white and displays a medallion with heart patterns.



### **Hickory High School reunion**

A reunion of Hickory High School students was held during the Hickory biecentennial celebration at Hickory Community Center. Attending were, first row, from left, Lance Ashbrook, Judith Adams Monsour, Loretta Reed Kendall, Mary Jane Allshouse Stewart, Karen Fehl Duchess, John Lee and Lena McCarty Oblom: second row, William Miller, Janet Pollana Bressanelli, Mary Jo Mc-Dowell Williams, Ted Salansky, Lillian Salansky Blaskovich, Peter Salansky and Don Campbell; third row, Glenn Powelson, Cliff Williams, Wilma Williams Porkolab, Sarah Paxton Kenamond, Jay Jeffrey, Gladys Jeffrey Kleber, Mary Lou Walters Hardy and Anna Lee Glass Orler; fourth row, Sheldon Hensel, Ruth Allison Thompson, Betty White Banay, Lois Ann Carter Risser, Peg White McCance, Marilyn Smith McClain, Martha Bell Shakely, Sam Scott, Robert Smith and Howard Rettinger; fifth row, Marian Allison Hoon, Norma Moore McKinley, Esther Kraeer Krajacic, Barbara Caldwell Fasnacht, Shirley Caldwell Fryer, Emma Coufman Brown, Doris Campbell Cowden, Frances Porter Schulte,

Catherine Reed Kenneweg, Verdie Shaffer Fisher and Peggy Cole Kotyk; sixth row, John Caldwell, Elva Cujas Antel, Raymond McAllister, Martha McCov MacKenzie, Robert Carter, Rawley Boone, Carol Cowden Caldwell and Gerald Caldwell; seventh row, Virginia Moore McKinney, Helen Ayres Strike, Irene Moore Carter, Ruth Moore Pakisz, Allan R. Burgoon, Joseph Bongiorni, Carol Wallace Wiggins, Ruth White, Mary Vale White Torrence, Robert R. White and Martha White Beard; eighth row, Edward W. White, unknown, John Bedillion, Elmer Hulick, Tom Milligan, Bill Milligan, Richard Wallace, Richard Moore, Lee Robinson and Joy Williams Froebe; ninth row, Martha Wilson Hensel, Barbara Schofield Stewart, unknown, Isabelle Dhans Carter, Dorothy Kreikemyer Smith, Carol Carter Main, Richard White, MacCarrell Carter, Sheila Gary Carter and Jane Doumont Phillis; tenth row, Van Cowden, Ethel Morgan Tuttle, Evelyn Morgan McCarrell and Paul Yates.



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Fort Cherry football coach



"My dad keeps his cards close to his chest," Tim Garry said. "There are some times, especially after a tough loss or a tough practice, that he wonders if he should stay in (coaching). But he loves the game, and I know it keeps him young." Football is Jim Garry's life, especially after the death of his wife, Barbara, nearly 10 years ago. Jim visits her grave daily, and nothing will ever fill the void her passing has left in his life. But coaching with his sons has kept him active.

"She is still the guiding force of our life," Tim Garry said. "She just rules from the top of the hill, instead of our house."

Jim Garry wants to take some time off, a month or so he says, for the disappointment of the championship loss to pass. He wants to make a decision based on logic, not emotion. It will not be an easy one.

"He has touched a lot of people over 39 years," Tim Garry said. "This is something people are going to be talking about 30 years from now. We came so close. Who knows, maybe we can get back here."

And maybe Jim Garry can lead them.



TOM COGLIO / THE O-R

Fort Cherry fans cheer a Mike Vernillo touchdown in the third quarter of Saturday's loss to Riverview.

# Will Garry be holding the Fort next year?

After 39 years, WPIAL title loss, Fort Cherry coach ponders his future

MORE ON Fort Cherry's bid for a WPIAL title. PAGE C1

### BY TOM ROSE

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PITTSBURGH — After coaching football at Fort Cherry High School for the past 39 years, Jim Garry finally went to Three Rivers Stadium Saturday and didn't have to buy a ticket.

But after the Rangers fell just short of their title dream, losing the WPIAL Class A championship game 19-14 to Riverview, one has to wonder if Garry will get back here again.

Fort Cherry, which finished the season at 10-3, has an oustanding sophomore class that features running back Mike Vernillo, who gained 129 yards against Riverview and broke Brad Tokar's school record (4,027 yards) for career rushing.

But Garry, the only coach in Fort Cherry's history and involved in his first WPIAL title game, is unsure if he will return next season.

"I take losses hard," Garry said in a quiet corner of the locker room. "When we lose, I go to a different church. I sneak into Giant Eagle. I feel so bad for those people who hung signs all over McDonald, and for the kids. I don't know, I just don't know. We'll see.

"It's been a good year, but it's been a hard year. I'm pretty well beat up. It's been a long, hard year."

Among those who wonder what Jim Garry will do next fall are his

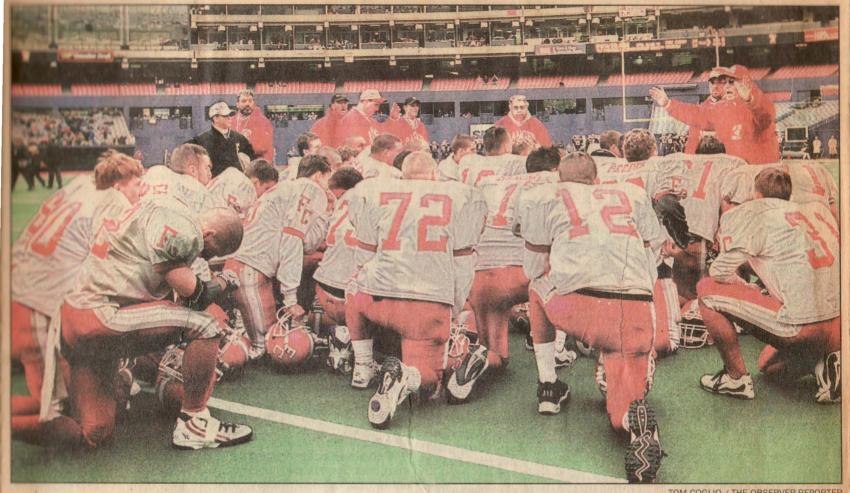


Fort Cherry Coach Jim Garry, right onship game Saturday at Three R sure whether he'll be back for a

sons Tim and Kevin, who have served on the Fort Cherry coaching staff for the past eight years. You can count Tim Garry among those who want Jim, the dean of WPIAL football coaches, to return next year.

"He has mentioned retiring for the past 10 years," Tim Garry said. "But you never know what he may do. Had we won, maybe that would have been a good opportunity for him to hang it up. But who knows now? That we didn't win (the WPI-AL championship) may bring him back. We are losing some very good seniors, but there were a lot of sophomores out on that field."

Tim Garry is just as curious as the reporters who surrounded his father after the game, asking as many questions about the future as they did about the WPIAL title game. If his father has made a decision, Tim doesn't know what it is.



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Fort Cherry Coach Jim Garry, right, talks with his team after the Rangers' 19-14 loss to Riverview in the WPIAL Class A championship game Saturday at Three Rivers Stadium in Pittsburgh. After 39 years, Garry, the only coach Fort Cherry has ever had, isn't sure whether he'll be back for a 40th season.



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Fort Cherry High School senior Brandy Graff shows her school spirit at a pep rally in the high school gymnasium Friday. The Rangers play Riverview High School for the WPIAL Class A title at Three Rivers Stadium in Pittsburgh today. This is the first time in school history that Fort Cherry has played in the title game. More about today's game on Page B1.

## **McDonald** man's wife also charged in gambling operation

The wife of a McDonald man accused of being the ringleader of a gambling operation in Washington County also faces charges in connection with the alleged activ-

ity.

Carol H. Campbell was charged Wednesday in federal court with conspiracy. Federal prosecutors contend Campbell assisted her husband, Allan Richard Campbell, and Edward Lazorchak in the illegal lottery by selling tickets and collecting money from designated dealers.

The illegal gambling ring allegedly operated from 2002 to 2006 in the Canonsburg area. The operation included the sale of multiple sets of \$100 tickets every three months based on the Pennsylvania Lottery Daily Number.

Allan Campbell was charged in federal court on Wednesday, Lazorchak was charged in November and pleaded guilty in December.

### guilty to child sex charges

A 50-year-old McDonald man pleaded guilty Monday to sexually assaulting an 11-year-old girl three times in 2001.

Harry Wilson of 26 Brown Road was sentenced to 9 to 23 months in jail with the minimum sentence served on electronic home monitoring followed by an additional 2 years of probation after pleading guilty before Washington County Judge Paul Pozonsky to charges of indecent assault and corruption of minors.

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**TWO CHARGED:** North Franklin Township police filed theft charges against a two men Wednesday.

Jason J. McAnany, 33, of 18 Alegna Way, Westland, was charged with intent of promoting or facilitating a theft and William L. Strawn, 39, of 3801 E. Maiden St., Washington, was charged with retail theft after they were arrested Nov. 26, a North Franklin Township police affidavit stated.

The affidavit stated the two men were attempting to steal \$319 worth of power tools from Sears.

DRUG ARREST: The owner of a car stopped early Saturday in the 800 block of East McMurray Road was charged with possession of a small amount of marijuana and drug paraphernalia, Peters Township police said.

Police said Erin Dawn Walker, 22, of Elm Road, Hickory, a passenger in the car, was charged after the officer noticed someone trying to hide something in the vehicle and smelled the odor of burning marijuana. Police confiscated a bag with a small amount of suspected marijuana and a silver-and-black pipe.

# 1st title within range

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This is Fort Cherry's first trip to The Show. The Big Dance. The Whole Enchilada.

It's Three Rivers, baby.

In Jim Garry's 39 years of coaching the Rangers, there have been many good football teams, but never one that could call itself "WPIAL champion."

All that could change when Fort Cherry takes on a tough Riverview squad at 10:30 a.m. today at Three Rivers Stadium in Pittsburgh.

To the winner goes the Class A football championship. The loser will have little more than thoughts of what might have been.

Fort Cherry wasn't supposed to be contending for the title. Teams like Farrell and South Side Beaver were making plans for Three Rivers. Those teams will be watching the game on television.

During a pep rally at Fort Cherry High School Friday afternoon, the gym buzzed with anticipation of the

clash with Riverview.

A banner bearing the team's nickname "Junkyard Dogs" referred to the way the squad has battled back from adversity, most notably a 24-15 fourth quarter deficit to Farrell in last week's semifinal.

Will the Rangers' fans be ready for the big time? Consider the following:

The coonskin cap-wearing Fort Cherry mascot could easily match the West Virginia Mountaineer in enthusiasm.

The stands were stocked with more red and white face paint than your average clown convention.

While most people in Washington County are still stirring their Fruit Loops this morning, Ranger fans will have their eyes set on that elusive championship trophy.

Maybe this is the year.

# **Police** seek shooting suspect

BY KATHIE O. WARCO

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McDONALD - The Mt. Pleasant Township man suspected of shooting his son-in-law in a McDonald

parking lot Monday night may have fled the area.

Allan Richard "Mike" Campbell, 60, of Fort Cherry Road, is accused of shooting Paul Harrington in the abdomen and left foot following an apparent argument in a



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parking lot off Third Street, said McDonald police Chief Mark Dorsey. Chief. Harrington, 44, was in serious condition Tuesday at UPMC Presbyterian, Dorsey said.

Dorsey said

Harrington underwent surgery following his arrival at the hospital Monday night

and again Tuesday.
While Campbell remains at large, his van was found parked in the lot of a tavern on Route 18 in Mt. Pleasant Township about noon Tuesday. The keys were still inside the van.

Smith Township police Chief Robert King got an anonymous tip that Campbell was standing outside the Pleasant Valley Inn.

"I was only 8 to 10 minutes away," King said. "When I got there, he was nowhere in sight, just his van with the keys inside." Police did not find any weapons inside the vehicle.

King and officers from the state police and surrounding departments searched the area in and around the tavern but did not find the suspect. Police said the bartender of the Pleasant Valley Inn was questioned. Campbell may have been picked up, Dorsey said.



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"We've checked hotels, bars, lounges and relatives, in addition to putting out a police broadcast," Dorsey said. "I was hoping he would turn himself in."

Dorsey said the two men had argued during a telephone conversation a short time before the shooting.

"But we don't know what the argument was about," Dorsey said.
"We don't know how Campbell know that Harrington was going to be there (in the parking lot) at that particular time. But Campbell shows up, gets out of his van carrying a handgun and begins to argue with Harrington."

Dorsey said that Campbell allegedly threatened to shoot Harrington and two witnesses before firing five or six shots from the gun. Two of those shots apparently struck Harrington. Dorsey said police were unsure what caliber weapon was used in the shooting, although initial reports indicated it was a revolver.

Dorsey has not been able to speak with Harrington. Police spent much of the day talking with witnesses and family members.

Campbell has well-groomed white hair with a white beard. He is 5 feet 9 inches tall and weighs about 175 pounds.

Anyone with information on his whereabouts is asked to call McDonald police at 926-2105 or the emergency dispatch center at 229-4600.

# Man accused of shooting son-in-law surrenders to McDonald police

BY KATHIE O. WARCO

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McDONALD – A Mt. Pleasant Township man accused of shooting his son-in-law turned himself in to McDonald police Wednesday morning and was arrested on attempted homicide and other charges.

Allan Richard "Mike" Campbell, 60, of 121 Fort Cherry Road, is accused of shooting Paul Harrington in the abdomen and left foot during an argument Monday night in a parking lot on Third Street. He had been at large since the shooting.

Harrington, 44, of McDonald, remains in serious condition at UPMC Presbyterian hospital.

Campbell was arraigned before Senior District Justice Walter Mark on charges including attempted homicide, aggravated assault, reckless endangerment and terroristic threats. He was released from Washington County Jail Wednesday afternoon after his family posted \$100,000 in property bond.

McDonald police Chief Mark Dorsey is uncertain what sparked the argument, but said it may have been over family problems. Harrington is estranged from Campbell's daughter, Theresa. The couple filed for divorce in May 1996.

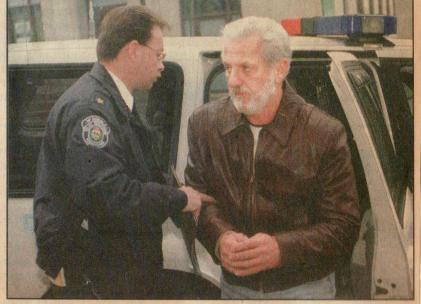
The two men argued during a

telephone conversation while Harrington was inside Hart Restaurant and Lounge prior to the shooting. Harrington exited to the parking lot adjacent to the lounge, where he waited for Campbell, according to the affidavit filed in Mark's office.

When Campbell got out of his van, he walked toward Harrington while pointing the handgun, according to the affidavit. He allegedly fired a shot at Harrington's feet and then fired two additional shots, striking the victim in the abdomen and left foot.

Campbell is also accused of pointing the gun at the head of Harrington's girlfriend, Dawn White, as

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Allan Richard "Mike" Campbell is led to arraignment Wednesday by McDonald police Chief Mark Do

**JAMES ALLEN FLAHARTY, 29.** of 102 Main St., Hickory, was placed on 12 months' probation with the first six months under intensive supervision after pleading guilty to possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of a small amount of marijuana. The probation will run concurrently with another probation he is currently serving. Flaharty was arrested Nov. 17 when state police, responding to his home for another incident, discovered a smoking pipe and marijuana.

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12 months in jail and ordered to pay \$250 in restitution after pleading guilty to theft. He was arrested Sept. 19, 1999, in Washington, after taking \$500 from Exit 6 Texaco.

Third St., was sentenced to 1 to 12 months in jail after pleading guilty to three counts of theft. She was arrested Nov. 30 for stealing \$82 worth of merchandise from Wal-Mart in South Strabane Township and two videocassette recorders from Ames in Washington Crown Center. She also was charged with stealing \$500 in cash from Exit 6 Texaco in Washington Sept. 19, 1999, She was ordered to pay \$250 in

restitution.

**CHARGED IN FIGHT:** An Avella man is in Washington County Jail on charges of disorderly conduct and public drunkenness stemming from a fight late Tuesday in the parking lot of an Avella convenience store

State police said Shawn Clouston, 21, of 1 Cross Creek Road, was charged after allegedly engaging in at least three fights with Patrick Clemens, 21, of 458 Avella Road, Avella, When police arrived Clouston had to be restrained by the officers. Clouston was arraigned before **District Justice Curtis** Thompson and placed in jail on

\$5,000 bond. Clemens was cited with disorderly conduct and released. ----

### ASSAULT INVESTIGATED: Canonsburg police are

investigating the alleged assault of a Canonsburg woman in her apartment Sunday.

Kim Doyle, 37, of 14 E. Water St., was bleeding from the face when police arrived. Charges are pending against her boyfriend.

### Tree falls on Avella man

An Avella man was injured when a tree fell on him and knocked him off his tractor in Avella Tuesday night.

Bob Carter, who lives on Avella Road, was flown to UPMC-Presbyterian hospital, Pittsburgh, from a landing zone at Avella High School following the accident. A nursing supervisor said he was admitted in fair condition Tuesday night.

Carter was trying to remove a tree with his tractor near his home when the tree snapped back and struck him, said Jay Turner, first assistant chief for Mt. Pleasant Fire Department. Mt. Pleasant Firefighters assisted Avella firefighters at the scene. Carter went to a neighbor's house at 808 Avella Road and they called 911 about 7:20 p.m., Avella fire Chief Tim Paris said.

ROBERT D. ECKELS, 31, of 959 Old Ridge Road, Avella, who was sentenced to 6 to 23 months in jail after pleading guilty to theft, simple assault. terroristic threats and a summary offense of criminal mischief. Charges of robbery and burglary and a summary offense of harassment were dropped. Eckels was charged Oct. 28 after he went to the victim's home, also on Old Ridge Road, and fought with the man. A ring worth \$900 was stolen. He was sentenced to concurrent terms of 6 to 23 months in jail on the charges of theft, simple assault and terroristic threats, He was fined \$50 after pleading guilty

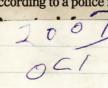
### Woman pleads guilty in Hickory VFD theft

A Hickory woman admitted Thursday to stealing nearly \$75,000 from the Mt. Pleasant Township Volunteer Fire Department.

Mary Madeline Gasbarro, 46, of 24 McCarrell Road, pleaded guilty before Washington County Judge John DiSalle to theft, theft by deception and forgery. She was sentenced to the Intermediate Punishment Program for 23 months with the first 3 months in jail followed by 3 months of electronic home monitoring and ordered to pay \$74,535 in restitution.

Gasbarro served as elected treasurer of the fire department, responsible for bill paying, record-keeping and other duties.

She was arrested after a forensic accounting investigation paid for by the fire company could not account for \$74,535 between June 2001 and March 2006. Gasbarro met with fire department officials March 6, 2006, and resigned, according to a police report.



## Man accused of assaulting 2 teen-agers

A McDonald man faces several charges after allegedly sexually assaulting two juvenile boys in October and reporting that his car had been stolen after the boys escaped in the vehicle.

Randy Herriott, 33, was arrested by state police Wednesday in connection with the Oct. 16 incident and placed in Washington County Jail on \$25,000 bond.

State police said Herriott allegedly purchased alcohol for a 15-year-old Hickory boy and a 17-year-old McDonald boy and then took them to spots in Smith and Cross Creek townships where he allegedly sexually assaulted them.

Police said after being assaulted at Ridge Road at Hill Road, Smith Township, and Atlasburg Road at Old Ridge Road, Cross Creek Township, the boys fled in Herriott's vehicle.

Herriott reported to state police that someone had stolen has vehicle.

Herriott was arraigned before District Justice Margorie Teagarden and was out on bond Wednesday night.

He was charged with three counts of indecent assault, two counts of terroristic threats, four counts of corruption of minors, two counts of furnishing liquor to minors, indecent exposure, open lewdness, and false reports to law enforcement officers.

A preliminary hearing is pending.

### Pfc. Charles L. Zoog

### Hickory Marine Is Killed In Viet Nam

22, of Hickory, has been killed from Viet Nam. They will be in in Viet Nam.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Funeral Home, Canonsburg, Jerome Zoog; were informed Wednesday that he died Saturday night.

The notification said he suffered fatal head wounds in fighting around Quang Ngai, during which American forces suffered heavy casualties.

Pfc. Zoog entered the Marines shortly after graduating from Ft. Cherry High School in 1963 and had been in Viet Nam since January.

He was serving in the 1st Marine Division, 3rd Battalion.

He was born August 2, 1943, at Hickory, a son of Jerome and Mary Retzer Zoog, who survive. Mr. Zoog is plant manager of the Eliza Metal Products Co. at Hendersonville.

He was a member of the Mt. Pleasant United Presbyterian

Church, Hickory,

Surviving, in addition to his parents, are one brother, Roy J. Zoog, of Hickory, and his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis F. Zoog, of Canonsburg.

Arrangements are incomplete,

Marine Pfc, Charles L. Zoog, pending arrival of the body charge of the Louis N. Sollon



CHARLES L. ZOOG Killed In Viet Nam



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Motorcyclists Beth Cochran Corgnati, in mirror, and Fred McGivern plan to continue wearing their helmets, even though state law now allows them to ride without them.



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Ed Swartz of Hickory escorts Bud Long of Washington through the flower garden at Southmont of Presbyterian SeniorCare in Washington.

## Hickory man gives Southmont residents a reason to smile

### BY DENISE BACHMAN

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When Ed Swartz makes a promise, he keeps it.

On a recent stormy summer morning, the 92-year-old drove through a downpour from his Hickory home to Southmont at Presbyterian SeniorCare in Washington "because I promised Martha I'd bring her a pie."

"I *had* to bring Martha her pie," Swartz said.

Swartz baked the apple pie so it could be sold – by the slice – at Southmont's sweet shop.

Baking pies is just one of the many ways Swartz lends a hand at Southmont.

His selfless dedication in the activities department began nearly four years ago when his wife, Lib, was admitted to Presbyterian Medical Center. Suddenly, Swartz found he had a lot more time on his hands.

"I asked myself, 'What am I going to do about it?'" Swartz said.

He turned to his Christian faith for guidance – and he found the answer.

However, unlike those who volunteer for "something to do" or "to get out of the house," Swartz volunteers to serve others, not himself.

"I'm living life through caring eyes," said Swartz, whose wife died in April. "My whole person has been people-oriented."

In his initial role as a volunteer at Southmont, Swartz called bingo.

"I thought to myself that calling bingo wasn't much of a challenge, but I would go with it," Swartz wrote in an article for the Presbyterian SeniorCare

newsletter. "To my surprise, these gals really loved their bingo. And it certainly gave them a good shot of pleasure for one afternoon in their lives.

"It gives them a bit of a lift in their morale when they can chat with someone from the outside. So it turns out to be a positive relationship that has developed between me and my gals."

Since then, Swartz has "graduated to other stuff." He particularly enjoys escorting residents, whether it's just strolling around the campus, going shopping or attending a ball game. Last year, he logged 180 volunteer hours.

> 'I keep active physically, mentally and spiritually. I don't feel 92.'

> > Ed Swartz volunteer

Swartz also is quite an accomplished chef. His specialties are homemade soups, hash brown potatoes, spaghetti and meatballs and hot sausage. In addition to apple pie, he bakes cookies for the nurses, a small token of thanks for the support they have shown him.

A 1975 retiree of Columbia Gas, Swartz maintains a twoacre lot in Hickory, where he has an herb garden and a flower garden. He recently dug up the old bulbs in his perennial garden and tilled the soil in preparation for a shipment of 250 bulbs.

"I like my flowers," he said. His daughter, Carol Baxter of Charlotte, N.C., is a registered dietitian, and she keeps her father calorie- conscious. Swartz also gets an annual physical, which, he said, has helped him considerably.

"I keep active physically, mentally and spiritually," said Swartz, who also serves as treasurer of the Fort Vance Historical Society. "I don't feel 92."

Before his wife became ill, Swartz also was quite active in the community. He was a member of the Fort Cherry School Board and was involved in numerous activities at his church, Hickory United Presbyterian. He also served as president of the Hickory Lions Club and volunteered in the surgery department at Canonsburg General Hospital.

"Then I became a caregiver. She (his wife) became my priority," said Swartz, who cared for his wife for 12 years at home. "It was a long stretch of caretaking. I was glad I was able to do it."

In addition to his daughter Carol, Swartz has another daughter, Dr. Anne Swartz, a professor of music at Baruch College at City University of New York, and two grandsons.

Despite all of his volunteer endeavors, Swartz can't understand what all the fuss is about.

"I don't know why you're interested in talking to me. I'm just an ordinary guy," he said.

The residents and staff at Southmont, however, would most likely disagree.

Peggy Andrews, 44, 147 Jollick Manor; disorderly conduct; charge of possession of cocaine dropped; charged after being found with two rocks of crack in the 10 block of West Walnut Street, Washington, on July 23; sentence - 12 months on probation



Linda Stewart of Pittsburgh visited Colorado and Anne Bedillion and Dave and Donna Bedillion Reedy. All are former Hickory residents.

## Marianna man released after guilty plea to drug charge

A Marianna man was released from jail Friday after pleading guilty in Washington County Court to violating the drug act and to defiant trespass.

Mark Edward Rice, 32, 5 Rosewood Ave., was placed on 18 months of probation after pleading before Judge Katherine B. Emery.

Rice was charged with possession of crack and marijuana, and possession of drug paraphernalia after police found the items, including a crack pipe and rolling papers, in his vehicle in the parking lot of a tavern on Ferry Street, East Millsboro, on June 28, 2003.

Shortly after the drugs were found, police discovered Rice on the rear deck of Landmark Lounge, Ferry Street, East Millsboro, after hours when patrons are not permitted.

Rice was in jail on a bench warrant for failing to appear for a previous court hearing.



Elden Carter of McDonald won a Heritage Softtail Classic Harley Davidson, which was raffled off on Memorial Day by McDonald's Heritage Public Library. The Harley raffle was part of a fund-raising campaign. Shown are Carter and Connie Bongiorni, Heritage Public Library director.



Washington High School's junior high cheerleading squad won several awards and trophies at CCC camp at Seven Springs. The squad placed first in its division and was named Most Improved Squad for the Week. The cheerleaders also received four ribbons: two in Super Sharp Motions, one in CCC Shine and one in Partners. Members of the squad are, first row, from left, Jackie Chappel, Aulbrey Robel, Dakota Myers and Ashley Wallace; second row, coach Jen Ames, Mariah Franklin, Toni Presto, Amanda Stamm, Cara Andrews and coach Jill Ames; third row, Britny Abel, coach Lisa Hasson, Kristen Hasson, Loren Johnson, Kaitlyn Oakley and Bianca Walden. Not pictured is Kristi Aquilino.

## Attorney identifies treasurer linked to missing Mt. Pleasant fire department money

The treasurer of the Mt. Pleasant Township Volunteer Fire Department is under investigation in the misappropriation of about \$31,000 over a 15-month period.

Fire company solicitor William E. Speakman Jr., who previously declined to identify the treasurer, confirmed Tuesday that former secretary Madeline Gasbarro is under investigation.

The fire company elected a new treasurer Friday.

The company discovered the missing funds last week, according to a news release from the department Saturday.

An accountant has been hired to

conduct an audit and make a detailed and independent examination of financial records.

Despite the loss of money, fire department President Bryan D. Bell said in the release that the overall financial integrity of the department was not affected, and it remains able to meet all of its obligations, including responding to alarms.

Speakman said the department responded to an alarm Monday.

The department contacted township police over the weekend, Speakman said, and spoke with the Washington County district attorney's office Tuesday.

### Janice Foflygen

### Member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church

Janice Foflygen, 57, of Mc-Donald, died Thursday, February 16, 2006, in Washington Hospital.

She was born April 15, 1948, in Washington, a daughter of John J. Foflygen III and Ruth I. Foflygen of McDonald.

Miss Foflygen was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church. She enjoyed cooking and reading and cared for her mother.

Surviving are two brothers, John Foflygen of Martinsburg, W.Va., and Brian Foflygen of Burgettstown, and several aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

Friends will be received from 4 to 7 p.m. Sunday, February 19, in Dale D. DeAngelo Funeral Home, 1290 Jefferson Avenue, Washington, where funeral services will be held at 7 p.m. Sunday, with the Rev. Doug Reinard officiating.

Interment will be held private-

ly at a later date.

### Geraldine L. Green Brochetti

### Born in Houston

Geraldine L. Green Brochetti, 76, of Westfield, Mass., died Wednesday, January 11, 2006, in Mercy Hospital, Westfield, following a lengthy illness.

She was born February 2, 1929, in Houston, a daughter of Harry H. Green and Mary Belle

Kennedy.

She grew up and attended school in Houston. She also attended Chartiers High School. She had been a resident of Westfield for the past 34 years.

She enjoyed bingo, playing

cards, traveling and knitting.

Surviving are her husband, Raymond E. Brochetti and two sons, Raymond A. Brochetti and Steven Brochetti, all of Westfield; a brother, Joseph E. Green of Washington; a sister, Joyce A. Miller of East Longmeadow, Mass.; and four grandchildren.

Deceased are a brother, James H. Green; and a sister, Mary M.

Davies.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society. ner home.

Charge filed: Christina L. Herriott, 36, of 95 Homer Ave., Washington, was charged Tuesday with retail theft by North Franklin Township police. The charge was filed with District

Judge J. Albert Spence.

A police affidavit stated Herriott stole three pairs of shoes valued at \$180 from Sears Roebuck and Co., Washington Crown Center, Friday evening.

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Warrant arrest: Frank G. Green, 37, of 314 Lillian St., Charleroi, was arrested Friday on warrants obtained by Washington police in connection with separate incidents in the city.

Green is accused of giving police a false name when he was stopped Oct. 23 near the courtyard of Washington County Courthouse. He was charged with making false reports and criminal trespass.

On Jan. 21, he allegedly choked Peggy Andrews and held a knife at her throat while at her home at 147 Jollick Manor. He also is accused of threatening to kill her. He was charged with aggravated assault and making terroristic threats.

Green was arraigned on the charges before District Judge Jay Dutton and placed in Washington County Jail on \$4,000 bond.

Impersonation arrest: Harold

### Ronald G. Yocum

Shift foreman for Tri-State owned Yoc's Bar

Ronald G. Yocum, 75, of Washington, died unexpectedly at 9:20 a.m. Tuesday, March 28, 2006, in his home.

He was born December 16, 1930, in Wind Ridge, a son of Forest and Helen Barnhart Yocum.

He graduated from Trinity High

School in 1948.

Mr. Yocum served in the U.S. Marine Corps during the Korean War.

He was shift foreman at Tri-State for 32 years and was owner of Yoc's Bar in Washington for 24 years.

Mr. Yocum was a member of Edwin Scott Linton American Legion Post 175 and a lifetime member of NRA.

On June 5, 1954, he married Lucille Giordano, who died December 30, 1989.

His companion was Sandy Plott. Surviving are two sons, Dennis G. Yocum of Washington and Kevin E. Yocum of Prosperity; a daughter, Angela M. Yarkosky of Washington; two brothers, Fred Yocum of Washington and Terry Yocum of West Finley; nine grand-children, Jared, Jesse and Jordan Yocum, Kelly Yarkosky Renne, Jason Yarkosky and Emily, Kyle, Kory and Kevin Yocum; and a great-granddaughter, Emma Lucille Renne.

Friends and family will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, March 31. Burial will follow in Washington Cemetery. Military rites will be accorded by Edwin Scott Linton American Legion Post 175.

### **Annie Helen Alrutz**

Centenarian born in Mt. Pleasant Township



Annie Helen Alrutz, 100, died Saturday, March 25, 2006, in Washington County Health Center after a brief illness.

She was born July 16, 1905, on the Seabright family farm in Mt. Pleasant Township, a daughter of Charles F. and Cora V. Walker Seabright.

Mrs. Alrutz was a homemaker all her married life and was not afraid of hard work. She enjoyed her two grandchildren most of all. She also enjoyed attending church, baking, canning and doing yard work with her husband.

On September 27, 1922, in Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Hickory, she was married to Louis C. Alrutz by Pastor Forest Eberle. They celebrated 46 years of marriage before her husband's death in May 1968.

Surviving are a son, Ralph E. Alrutz of Washington; a grandson, Kenneth E. Alrutz of Middleton, Conn.; a much-loved and devoted granddaughter, Patricia A. Platts of Scenery Hill; and five great-grandchildren, Megan, Rikki and Graham Alrutz and Mark and Ray Platts. Deceased is a sister, Cecil Brinkman.

Friends will be received from 2 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 29, with the Rev. Kenneth N. Schott officiating. Interment will follow in Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. The family is requesting donations to Special Olympics of Pennsylvania, Washington County, Megan Canterna Memorial Scholarship Fund, 144 Cummings Avenue, Houston, PA 15342. Additional information and guest book are available online at www.NealFuneralHome.com.

### Stephanie Ann Janulewicz

Member of Our Lady of Lourdes Church

Stephanie Ann Janulewicz, 90, of Slovan, died Friday, March 10, 2006, in her daughter's home in Hickory.

She was born December 12, 1915, in Clarksburg, W.Va., a daughter of Paul and Feliksa Dvm-

bietzka Pensak.

She was a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church in Burgettstown and its Christian Mothers.

Mrs. Janulewicz was a home-

maker.

On June 14, 1943, she married Walter Janulewicz, who died Feb-

ruary 6, 1997.

Surviving are two daughters, Veronica McCalmont of Hickory and Delores Petricca of McMurray; five grandchildren, Elizabeth McCalmont Andrusyna, Pamela McCalmont Bish, Stacey Petricca, Sarah Petricca and Stephen Petricca; two brothers, Raymond Pensak of Hacienda Heights, Calif., and Stanley Pensak of Cincinnati, Ohio; and a sister, Matilda Kuzma of LaPlume.

Deceased are a daughter, Rita Elseth, who died July 11, 2001, and

a brother, Chester Pensak.

Friends will be received from 2 to 6 p.m. Sunday in Hayden-Taucher Funeral Home, 23 Erie Mine Road, Burgettstown. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 1 p.m. Monday, March 13, in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Burgettstown, with the Rev. Robert Connolly, pastor, as celebrant. Interment will be in the church cemetery.

### Walter R. Hines

Member of North Ten Mile Baptist worked for Plasteel Products

Walter R. "Pickle" Hines, 71, of Amity (West Bethlehem Township), died at 6:55 a.m. Tuesday, May 30, 2006, in Washington County Health Center, Washington, following a lengthy illness.

He was born June 22, 1934, in Washington County, a son of Walter and Eula Townsend Hines.

Mr. Hines attended West Bethlehem schools and had been employed by Plasteel Products of Washington with 20 years of service. He later was employed as a bus driver for Pryor Bus Lines of Marianna and also as a security guard with Tarbuck Security of Washington.

Mr. Hines was a member of North Ten Mile Baptist Church. He also was a member of Waynesburg Loyal Order of the Moose and a social member of Steele-Lillie American Legion Post 744 of Marianna. He enjoyed cutting wood and gardening and was an avid trout fisherman.

On December 19, 1954, he married Ada Briggs, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Kevin Hines Sr. of Meadow Lands; a sister, Maribel Sweany of Deemston; three grandchildren, Kevin Hines Jr., Delores Lynn Hines and Ashley Nicole Hines.

Deceased, in addition to his parents, is a brother, Wilbert Hines.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday in John B. Greenlee Funeral Home, Route 40, Beallsville, where services will be in Horn Cemetery, Marianna. An online guest book and personal condolences may be accessed at www.GreenleeFuneralHome.com.

### John J. Bedillion

Hickory business owner served in World War II



John J. Bedillion, 82, of Hickory, died Monday, May 8, 2006. He resided at the Tandem Village of North Strabane for the past two

years.

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He was born February 7, 1924, in Hickory, a son of John D. and Leila Redinger Bedillion.

Mr. Bedillion was a 1941 graduate of Hickory High School and attended Lock Haven University and the University of Pittsburgh.

He was a 28-year member of Central Assembly of God in Houston and had been a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church, where he had served as an older and Sunday school teacher.

elder and Sunday school teacher. An Army veteran of World War II, Mr. Bedillion served with the 386th Infantry, Black Hawk Division, in both the European and Pacific theaters. He received a Purple Heart and received a battle

field commission to 1st lieutenant. From 1945 to 1951, Mr. Bedillion was owner of Bedillion Trucking in Hickory. He then owned Bedillion Mobil Service, also in Hickory, from 1952 until 1960. He served as vice president and general manager for Pyramid Oil Co. from 1960 until 1971 then owned and operated Battery Specialist in Hickory until his retirement in

1990. Mr. Bedillion was a former

member of Hickory Lions Club. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, traveling in general and also in his motor home, and was an instrument-rated pilot.

On September 4, 1950, he married Eleanor Hopper, who died January 17, 1974. On May 22, 1976 he married Ruth Hamilton

1976, he married Ruth Hamilton Ferguson, who survives. Also surviving are a son, John D. Bedillion and wife Sherry of Hickory; two granddaughters, Kristen Bedillion and Kelly Bonal; two great-grandchildren, Gabriel and Margo Bonal; a stepdaughter, Lynda Hultman of Dover, Del.; a Todd stepson, Ferguson Canonsburg; four step-grandchildren, Rachael and Richard Hultman and Blair and Jamie Ferguson; two brothers, James and Gary Bedillion, both of Hickory; and two sisters, Barbara Shaffer of Canonsburg and Leila White of Hickory. A brother, Ronald W. Bedillion,

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is deceased.

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### Jean A. Wallace

Member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church



Jean A. Wallace, 60, of McDonald, formerly of Hickory, died Friday, February 24, 2006, in Washington Hospital.

She was born March 29, 1945, in Washington, a daughter of Chandler and Evelyn Hodges Wallace.

Miss Wallace was an administrative assistant for Nicholson Construction of Cuddy.

She was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church.

She enjoyed bingo, crossword puzzles, Scrabble, camping and classic movies. Her favorite activity was spending time with her grandchildren. At the age of 57, she went skydiving for the first time.

Surviving are a son, Robert J.
Cook of Avella; three daughters,
Chanda Cook of McDonald, Kimberly Ann Stough of Spring Grove
and Carla Jean Kump of
Biglerville; 10 grandchildren,
Timmy, Amanda, Jessica, Darryn,
Brian, Trevor, Chelci, Marty,
Johnny and Logan; a brother,
Richard C. Wallace of Hickory;
and a sister, Carolyn Wiggins of

North Augusta, S.C.

At the request of the deceased, there will be no public visitation. A memorial service will be held at mon Thursday, March 2, in Hick-try United Presbyterian Church.

Memorial contributions can be made to American Cancer Society.

Arrangements are under the direction of McIlvaine-Speakman funeral Home Ltd., Houston.

Please add or view tributes at mailvaine-speakmanfuneral memorial com.

### Washington man among two killed on Lake Erie

**ASSOCIATED PRESS** 

ERIE – A Jet Ski and a boat collided on Lake Erie on Friday, killing both people on the personal watercraft, officials said.

Andrew Miller, 19, of Washington, and Amber Miller, 22, were killed in the crash, which happened around 4 p.m. just off Presque Isle State Park, according to Lt. Jane Willits, with the Coast Guard's Cleveland office. The victims were not related and the hometown of Amber Miller was not immediate-

ly available, Willits said.

Both victims suffered massive head injuries and were pronounced dead after being taken to Hamot Medical Center in Erie, Coast Guard Command Duty Officer Blair Stanifer said.

No one on the boat was reported injured.

The Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission has taken over the investigation, Willits said. Officials with that agency could not immediately be reached for comment Friday night.

### Retired air traffic controller

Frank Nesbit Jr., 71, of Canonsburg, died Friday, August 11, 2006.

He was a son of Frank Nesbit and Anna Lesko Campbell.

He was a retired air traffic controller for Greater Pittsburgh Airport.

He enjoyed playing golf and

gardening.

He was the beloved husband of Christine Stanley Nesbit, with whom he celebrated 33 years of marriage; father of Steve, Frank, Matt and Missy Nesbit and Bill Grady; brother of Shirley Butya, Loretta Hall, Connie Hoffman-Snodgrass and the late Walter Nesbit; and grandfather of Maddalena, Elizabeth, Steve and Nicole.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Monday in Thomas-Little Funeral Service Inc., 5000 Noblestown Road, Oakdale, where services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, August 15. Interment will follow in Oakdale Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Donnell House, 10 Leet Street, Washington, PA 15301, or American Cancer Society.

### Leroy W. Malone

Vietnam veteran was J&L <mark>Stee</mark>l laborer

Leroy W. "Buddy" Malone, 57, of Hickory, died Monday, April 3, 2006, in UPMC-Montefiore hospital, Pittsburgh.

He was born December 21, 1948, a son of the late Leroy A. and Loretta Clark "Honey" Malone.

Mr. Malone was a laborer at J&L Steel, a life member of Houston Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion.

He was a Vietnam veteran.

Surviving are his fiancee, Linda Azzolina Snatchko; two stepchildren, Adam Snatchko of Washington and Lisa Snatchko of Canonsburg; and five stepgrandchildren, Raymond Ward Jr., Heather, Jeffrey, Adam and Amanda.

Deceased is a stepson, Mark Snatchko.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday in Thomas-Little Funeral Home Service Inc., 314 West Lincoln Avenue, McDonald, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, April 7, with the Rev. Matthew Azzolina officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, with full military rites accorded.

### **Mary Kimberly Nestor**

Employed at Foodland and Pink Chill

Mary Kimberly Nestor, 45, of Washington, died Wednesday, April 5, 2006, in her home. She had been in failing health.

She was born January 10, 1961, in Pensacola, Fla., a daughter of James William Ashmore of Midway and the late June Hall Ashmore.

Mrs. Nestor was a graduate of Fort Cherry High School and worked at Foodland as a cashier, the Pink Chill and as a house-keeper.

She made her home with Harry W. Trussell Sr.

Surviving are two sons, James Andrew Trussell and Harry W. Trussell Jr., both of Washington; two brothers, Adrian Richard Ashmore of McDonald and Ashey Ashmore of Pensacola, Fla.; five sisters, Damarus Gonzalez of Pensacola, Cindy Herring of Mobile, Ala., Cathy Ashmore of Weirton, W.Va., Jennifer Spotti of McDonald and Angie Ashmore of Mississippi.

At the request of the deceased, there will be no visitation or services. Arrangements are under the direction of William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington. Additional information and guest book are online at www.NealFuneral-Home.com.

# Accident: Washington pair killed on Presque Isle

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Several witnesses saw the accident, and continued to be interviewed by the Fish and Boat Commission.

No charges have been filed in the case, and the Coast Guard said it does not appear that alcohol was a factor in the accident.

Philip Hartger, a former classmate of Andrew Miller, was saddened to hear of the accident.

"I was pretty surprised and shocked when I heard about it," said Hartger. "I was talking to a friend of mine who had been best friends with Amber, and Amber's sister emailed him about the accident."

The Coast Guard urged boaters and jet skiers to be careful on the water.

"The high speeds and low visibility of small watercraft make them extremely dangerous, and great care should be taken to prevent further tragedies such as this one," a statement issued by the Coast Guard on Friday read.

The funeral arrangements for Amber Miller are being handled by Neal Funeral Home Inc., while arrangements for Andrew Miller are under the direction of Burton Funeral Homes Inc., Erie.

### **Andrew David Miller**

2005 Washington H.S. graduate



Andrew David (Drew) Miller, 18, of Washington, died Friday, June 16, 2006, in Erie, due to injuries sustained in an acci-

dent.

He was born June 30, 1987, in Washington, a son of Thomas Miller Sr. and Dana Engle Miller of Washington.

Mr. Miller was a 2005 graduate of Washington High School, where he was a member of National Hon-

or Society.

He was employed by Redwood Construction, Washington, and enjoyed motorcycling, fishing in the Keys and camping in Erie.

Mr. Miller was an organ donor. Surviving, in addition to his parents, are a brother, Thomas (Chantel) Miller Jr. of Washington; his maternal grandparents, Dave and Gladys Engle of Washington; his paternal grandparents, Patricia and Robert Balser of Claysville and Charles and Louise Miller of Hickory; his paternal great-grandparents, Betty Filauro of Hickory and Alma Dunkle of Claysville; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Deceased is his maternal greatgrandmother, Catherine Laird,

who died June 18, 2006.

Friends will be received from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 24, in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington. Burial will be private and at the convenience of the family. Memorial contributions may be made to Children's Hospital, 3705 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15213. Additional information and guest book available online at www.NealFuneralHome.com.

### **Amber Justine Miller**

2003 WHS honors graduate



Amber Justine Miller, 21, of Washington, died June 16, 2006, in Erie, due to injuries suffered in an accident.

She was born October 8, 1984, in Washington, a daughter of Roger Lee Kelley Sr. and Doni Justine Bryner, both of Washington. Miss Miller was a 2003 honors graduate of Washington High

Miss Miller was a 2003 honors graduate of Washington High School, where she played on the volleyball team. Most recently, she was attending Penn Commercial.

She had been employed at Presbyterian Senior Care, Henderson Avenue Foodland and Carmella's.

Miss Miller loved to make people happy, loved animals, and enjoyed playing video games and going to amusement parks. She collected Elmo-related items.

She was a member of Living

Waters Church of God.

Surviving, in addition to her parents, are stepparents, Harold E. Miller and Donald E. Bryner; two brothers, Ryan Edward Kelley and Roger Lee Kelly II; two sisters, Ashlee Marie Kelley and Alyssa Dawn Kelley; a stepbrother, Christopher Richard Miller, all of Washington; maternal grandparents Clarence L. (Nina) Miller of Washington and Barbara L. (Donald) Bird of Claysville; maternal great-grandparents Marjorie Miller and Ochel Loar; paternal grandparents Edward M. and Dixie F. Kelley of Washington; a nephew, Seth DeBlasio; and numerous aunts and uncles.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, June 21, with the Rev. Herb Johnson officiating. Burial will follow in Washington Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Washington Area Humane Society, P.O. 66, Eighty Four, PA 15330; Children's Hospital Burn Unit, 3705 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15213; or to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Attn: Thanks and Giving, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. Additional information and guestbook available online at www.NealFuneralHome.com.

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### **James Garry**

Fort Cherry High School football coach for 45 years

James (Jim) Garry, 80, of Mc-Donald, died Sunday, March 4, 2007, in St. Clair Hospital, Mt. , Lebanon.

He was born October 12, 1926, in Gastonville, a son of Edward and Mary Ellen Campbell Garry.

Mr. Garry was a graduate of Monongahela High School and Wake Forest University, where he played football in the first-

ever Gator Bowl.

He was a member of St.
Alphonsus Roman Catholic

Church, McDonald.
Mr. Garry was a veteran of Yorld War II, serving in the U.S.

In 1957, he started teaching lrivers' education and history at Fort Cherry High School and was the high school football coach there for 45 years when he etired from coaching in 2002.

Mr. Garry was recognized in nany ways throughout his oaching career. In 1994, he was aducted into the Pennsylvania ootball Hall of Fame. In 2003, e was inducted into the Triounty Football Coach Hall of ame. He won Conference cach of the Year several times. Ie coached four players to the ational Football League: Marn Lewis, Perry Kump and Marland Kurt Schottenheimer. ton July 2, 1959, he married arbara Lee George, who died

ebruary 1, 1987.
Surviving are four children, evin (Wendy) Garry of McDond, Timothy (Ann) Garry of rickory, Shawn (Andrea) Garry of McDonald and Linda (Jeff III)

Whalen of Pittsburgh; two sistersin-law, Vera Garry and Ruth Ann Garry, both of Finleyville; and 12 grandchildren, Corey, Erin, Riley, Brandon, Tanner, Mackenzie, Hannah and Nathaniel Garry and Jefferson, Garrett, Brady and Mara Whalen.

Deceased, in addition to his wife, are two brothers, Francis and Edward Garry.

and Edward Garry.
Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday in Nation Funer-

all Home Inc., 220 East Lincoln Avenue, McDonald. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Thursday, March 8, in St. Alphonsus Roman Catholic Church. Interment will follow in

### BIRDIE Roberta Cecil Alrutz

20-year employee of Shanty Restaurant, Hickory

Roberta Cecil Alrutz, 88, of Washington, died Thursday, March 29, 2007, in Washington County Health Center, following a lengthy illness.

She was born March 27, 1919, in Mt. Pleasant Township, a daughter of A.C. and Elizabeth

Briggs.

Mrs. Alrutz graduated from Hickory High School and was a member of Chartiers Cross Roads Presbyterian Church.

She was employed as a cook and pie baker by Shanty Restaurant in Hickory for 20 years and worked at Daddy Pete's restaurant for five years.

She enjoyed baking pies.

On March 5, 1940, she married Thomas Leon Alrutz, who died August 21, 1991.

Surviving are a son, Thomas Edward Alrutz and wife Sallie of Washington; three grandchildren, Thomas Edward Alrutz, Richard Kevin Alrutz and Michelle Faye Alrutz Laskowski; and two greatgrandchildren, Calie Jo Laskowski and Seth Michael Alrutz.

Deceased are a brother, Kenneth Alvin Briggs; and three sisters, Georgia Powell, Ethel Null

and Dorothy Johnson.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. The family suggests memorial contributions to Chartiers Cross Roads Presbyterian Church Memorial Fund, 502 Old Hickory Ridge Road, Washington, PA 15301.

Additional information and guest book are online at www.NealFuneralHome.com.

### Blanche L. Carter

McDonald woman was Venice Presbyterian member



Blanche L. Carter of Mc-Donald, Cecil Township, died Thursday, February 22, 2007, in Donnell House, Wash-

ington.

She was born June 26, 1930, in Southview, a daughter of Everesto and Mary Zajac Spotti.

Mrs. Carter retired in January 2005 from the 911 Airlift Wing Air Reserve Station, Coraopolis, where she had been employed as a supply clerk. She was a member of Venice Presbyterian Church, McDonald, and enjoyed polka music.

On July 3, 1954, she married Milton D. "Bud" Carter, who survives. Together, they had celebrated 52 years of marriage.

In addition to her husband, surviving are a daughter, Beth A. and husband David Rozanc; a son, Master Sgt. Bradley D. and wife Brenda Carter of Canonsburg; four grandchildren, Kim Carter-Okyne, Katie Carter, Dustin Rozanc and Chelsea Rozanc; and a brother, Elmer Spotti of Newark Ohio

Spotti of Newark, Ohio.
Friends will be received from
7 to 9 p.m. Saturday and 2 to 4
and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in Eugene C. Coleman Funeral Home,
Route 50, Cecil, where services
will be held at 11 a.m. Monday,
February 26, with the Rev. Craig
Kephart officiating. Interment
will follow in Mt. Prospect

Cemetery, Hickory.

### Patricia Ann Kortyna

### Member of Our Lady of Lourdes Church

Patricia Ann Kortyna, 73, of Cherry Valley, died Sunday, August 6, 2006, in her home.

She was born November 21, 1932, in Grove City, Ohio, a daughter of Lawrence and Sarah

Jane Stiffler DeVault.

Mrs. Kortyna was a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church, Burgettstown.

She was a 15-year member of Cherry Valley Sportsmen Club and Ladies Auxiliary of Slovan Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6553 which then transferred to McDonald VFW Post 567.

Mrs. Kortyna enjoyed cooking

and gardening.

Surviving are her husband, Richard Kortyna; a son, Richard J. Kortyna, husband of Tammy, of Bulger; two daughters, Linda DuCarme, wife of David, of Somerset and Laurie Balogna, wife of John, of Burgettstown; five grandchildren, Nicole and Chandler Kortyna, Logan Gilles and Jill and Heather Balogna; two brothers, Lawrence DeVault of Cincinnati, Ohio, and William DeVault of Florida; and a sister, Norma Campbell of Hamilton, Ohio.

A sister, Ellen Evanovich, is deceased.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in Hayden-Taucher **Funeral** Home, 23 Erie Mine Road, Burgettstown. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, August 9, in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Burgettstown, with the Rev. Robert Connolly, pastor, as celebrant. Interment will be in National Cemetery of the Alleghenies, Cecil Township. The family suggests memorial donations be made to Donnell House, 10 Leet Street, Washington, PA 15301.

### John Boni III

### Owner of John Boni III Building & Remodeling

John Boni III, 58, of Bur gettstown, died Saturday, Marcl 3, 2007, of injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

He was born August 2, 1948 in Washington, a son of John Boni Jr. of Burgettstown and the late Olivia Cuervo Boni Chastulik.

Mr. Boni was the owner and operator of John Boni III Building & Remodeling.

He was a member of Washington County Builders Associ-

ation.

He was a U.S. Army veteran of the Vietnam War.

Mr. Boni enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren.

Surviving are his wife, Patricia Jean Miller Boni; a son, John Paul Boni, husband of Anita, of Burgettstown; a daughter, Jennifer Boni of Coraopolis; two grandchildren, Braden and Kaden Boni; a brother, Kevin Boni; and two sisters, Valerie Gray of Columbus, Ohio, and Linda Martin of Burgettstown.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday in Taucher Funeral Home, 23 Erie Mine Road, Burgettstown, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, March 9, with the Rev. Dominic Sgro officiating. Interment will be held in Grandview Cemetery, Florence, with full military rites accorded. The family suggests memorial contributions be made to the Boni family.

#### Albert R. Chesnik

Member of veterans honor guard served in WWII

Albert R. (Bert) Chesnik, 86, of Canonsburg, died Saturday, March 17, 2007, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born May 19, 1920, in Strabane, a son of John and Frances Kern Chesnik.

Mr. Chesnik was a lifelong Canonsburg area resident and graduated from Trinity High School in 1938.

He served as staff sergeant with the U.S. Army during World War II in the Asiatic-Pacific Theater and received the Bronze Star. Prior to retirement, he was

employed at RCA and previously worked at Vitro for 23 years. Mr. Chesnik was a member of the honor guard of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 191 of Canonsburg and American Legion Post 902 of Houston, past district commander of District 24 Veterans of Foreign Wars and

a 60-year member of SNPJ Lodge 138 of Strabane. His first wife, Elsie Kosmach Chesnik, died February 13, 1969. He later married Olive Estelle

Surviving are a son, Richard

Watson, who died January 29, 2007.

Chesnik of Concord, Ohio; a daughter, Linda Chesnik of Bay Harbor Island, Fla.; two brothers, Gvedon Chesnik of Burgettstown and Edwin "Babe" Chesnik of Canonsburg; and two sisters, Josephine Piquard of New Kensington and Frances

Florgan of the state of California. Deceased are three brothers, Jacob, Max and Sylvester Chesnik, and a sister, Mildred Barnes.

Friends will be received from

2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday in Sollon Funeral Home Ltd., 30 East College Street, Canonsburg, J. David Sollon, supervisor, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, March 22. Inter-ment with full military rites accorded by the combined honor guard of the VFW and American Legion will be in Oak Spring Cemetery, Canonsburg. Memorials are requested in his name to Intrepid Fallen Heroes Fund, One Intrepid Square, West 46th Street and 12th Avenue, New York, NY 10036 (wwwfallen-heroesfund.org). Please visit

www.sollon.com for additional information and to leave online

# **Mary Virginia Walters**

Hickory homemaker enjoyed crossword puzzles



Mary ginia Walters. 87, of Hickory, died at 9:55 p.m. Saturday, April 14, 2007, in her home, following a six-month ill-

ness. She was born May 22, 1919, in Washington, a daughter of Charles and Minnie Kelley Clemens.

A homemaker, Mrs. Walters enjoyed crossword puzzles and playing cards.

Her first husband, Henry

Clemens, died in 1942.

In 1950, she married Paul Walters, who died in 1988.

Surviving are three sons, James Clemens Sr. of Hickory, Jack Clemens of Rochester and Charles Walters of Washington: two sisters, Peg Grabski of Hickory and Clara Goughenour of South View; five grandchildren, James Clemens Jr., Christopher Clemens, Patrick and Kelly Clemens and Sean Walters; and five great-grandchildren, CiCi, Taylor, Candice, Samantha and Haleigh Clemens.

Deceased are a brother, Russell Clemens; and three sisters, Helen Cooke, Betty Fillaro and Beaulah Allen.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Monday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, April 17, with the Rev. Douglas Reinard officiating. Burial will follow in North Buffalo Church Cemetery. Information and guest book are online www.Neal-FuneralHome.com.

### Jane Ann Pollinger

Member of St. Patrick Church, Canonsburg

Jane Ann Pollinger, 60, of Hickory, formerly of Imperial, died Wednesday, March 28, 2007, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born August 14, 1946, in Pittsburgh, a daughter of Audra Pollinger of Hickory and the late Henry Pollinger.

Miss Pollinger was a member of St. Patrick Church, Canons-

burg.

During her early years, she attended St. Anthony's Special School in Oakmont for three years. After moving to Hickory, Miss Pollinger was an active participant at the ARC Human services workshop. For 25 years, she assisted her mother in the operation of Pollinger's Greenhouse.

Surviving, in addition to her mother, are a brother, Charles (Wanda) Pollinger of Fort Gay, W.Va.; and nieces Jennifer, Candace and Kara and great-niece Kylea Pollinger, all of Fort Gay.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in Salandra Funeral Home, 304 West Pike Street, Canonsburg, Joseph P. Salandra, supervisor. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, March 31, in St. Patrick Church. Burial will follow in St. Patrick Cemetery, Canonsburg. Please add or view tributes at www.salandrafuneralhome.com.

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## Elizabeth M. Scott

Founding director of Avella Public Library



Elizabeth M. Scott, 88, of West Middle-West Middle-town, died at 9:30 a.m. Fri-day, June 15, 2007, in Washington Hospital.

She was born May 5, 1919, in Superior, Wis., a daughter of Andrew Frederic and Clara Mabel Vates Mackey.

Mrs. Scott was a graduate of Business Training College and attended Allegheny College and

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University of Pittsburgh. Scott Over the years, Mrs. worked at Sears, Aluminum Co. of America, Gulf Research Laboratory, Green Cove Farm and Trinity Area School District and was a secretary for the Borough of West Middletown, retiring in

1981. Mrs. Scott was a founding director of Avella Public Library and was a former member of West Middletown Garden Club, McKeever Study Library Association, Washington Hospital Auxiliary, Washington & Jefferson College Auxiliary and a judge of elections for West Mid-

dletown. On July 17, 1942, she married the Rev. John Mark Scott, who

survives. Also surviving are three daughters, Nancy, wife of Arthur Gilkes of Pittsburgh, Amy, wife of Paul Stokes of Graysville, and Sarah Scott of West Middletown; a son, John Mark Scott Jr., hus-band of Judith of Avella; seven grandchildren, Arthur and John Gilkes, Andrew and Benjamin Scott, Hope Paul, Adam Stokes and Cristin Snyder; and four great-grandchildren, Amelia and John Scott, Angelina Scott and Isabella Stokes.

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Deceased, in addition to her parents, are a sister, Claramae Hall; and a brother, John Frederic Mackey.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in Jerome A. Stefkovich Funeral Home Inc., 18 Campbell Street, Avella, where services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, June 18. Burial will be in Deer Creek Cemetery. Memorial contributions can be made to Avella Public Library, 11 School Court Road, Avella, PA 15312.

#### **Mildred Harrower**

Former Hickory resident owned Millie's Beauty Shop

Mildred (Millie) Harrower, 81, of Strasburg, Ohio, formerly of Hickory, died Sunday, June 10, 2007, in Hanover House, Massillon, Ohio.

She was born August 8, 1925, in Bishop, a daughter of Joseph and Mary Murgel Rozanc.

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Mrs. Harrower was the owner/operator of Millie's Beauty Shop in Hickory, until she moved to Ohio in 1994.

She was a member of Strasburg United Methodist Church.

Her husband, Alexander P. Harrower, died October 16, 1976.

Surviving are a daughter, Rosanna and husband William Baskin of Tampa, Fla.; a son, David and wife Deborah Harrower of Bolivar, Ohio; a sister, Isabel Casciola of Bishop; a brother, Rudy Rozanc of Fern Park, Fla.; eight grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two sisters, Mary Lou Erbrecht and Theresa Arrigoni, and three brothers, Joseph, John and Richard Rozanc.

Friends were received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in Eugene C. Coleman Funeral Home, Route 50, Cecil, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, June 13, with the Rev. Steven Court officiating.

Interment will follow in Jenice Cemetery.

# Harry E. Degenkolb Sr.

#### 1941 - 2007

Harry E. "Butch" Degenkolb Sr., 65, of Langeloth, died Monday, May 21, 2007, in Donnell House, Washington.

He was born September 18, 1941, in Whittaker, a son of the late Emiel and Catherine Noll

Degenkolb.

Mr. Degenkolb was a member of Carpenters Unions 186 and 2274 and enjoyed hunting fishing and cooking.

His wife, Ellen Garcia De genkolb, died August 16, 1993.

Surviving are two sons. Har ry E. Degenkolb Jr. and his wife, Rita, and Darryl Degenkolb and his wife. Linda both of Burgettstown; four grandsons, Craig, Brandon, Ryan and Devin Degenkolb; and a sister, Arlene Clemens of Cherry Valley.

Deceased, in addition to his parents and wife, are two brothers, Ronnie and Arnie De-

genkolb.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 6 to 9 p.m. Wednesday in Lee and Martin Funeral Home, 73 Highland Avenue, Burgettstown, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, May 24, with the Rev. William Degenkolb officiating. Interment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his memory to Donnell House, 10 Leet Street,

Washington, PA 15301.

Margaret (Marge) Kobertz Wagner, 78, of Hickory, died Friday, July 13, 2007, in her home, with her husband at her side.

She was born March 7, 1929, in Allegheny County, a daughter of Stanley and Mary Burchik Kobertz.

Mrs. Wagner attended Canonsburg schools.

She and her husband, Delbert, owned and operated Wagner's Greenhouse in Hickory since 1959. Their son, Darrin, continues to operate the greenhouse.

She was a member of Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church, Hickory.

Mrs. Wagner and her husband of 52 years loved traveling and camping. She was a homemaker and loved to cook, bake and spend time with her family.

Surviving, in addition to her husband, are a daughter, Darlene J. (Stephen) Riker of Washington; a son, Darrin (Lori) Wagner of Hickory; two brothers, Richard (Millie) and Ron (Peggy) Kobertz of Canonsburg; two granddaughters, Kristen Riker and Kelly Wagner; a grandson, Michael Wagner; and many nieces and nephews.

Deceased are twin daughters, Diane and Denise, who died in infancy; and two brothers, Ernest and Larry Kobertz.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 6 to 9 p.m. Monday in Nichol Funeral Home, 1873 East Maiden Street, Washington, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 17, with the Rev. George Dran officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory

# Laura B. Hatfield (February 10, 1906 - June 27, 2007)

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Laura B. Hatfield, 101, of Washington, died at 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 27, 2007, in her home. She had been ill since January 2007.

She was born February 10,1906, in Buffalo Township,a daughter of Harry Edward and Kizzie Ann Kelley Dinch.

Mrs. Hatfield graduated from Hopewell Township High School in 1922 and earned her teaching degree from Washington and Jefferson College in 1926.



Mrs. Hatfield was a member of First Christian Church and enjoyed gardening and playing the piano.

She worked as a cashier at Washington City Mission for thirty-four years.

On September 20, 1926, she married Early Braden Hatfield, who died May 16, 1963.

Surviving are a daughter, Loretta (Robert) Staley, of Washington; four grandchildren, Kenneth B. Hatfield, Dr. Cynthia Hatfield, Judith Horne, and Katherine Wise; and seventeen great grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, Dr. Kenneth B. Hatfield, two sisters, Elizabeth Haskell and Rebecca Durila; two brothers, Edward and Russell Dinch.

Friends will be received 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m., Friday, in William G. Neal Funeral Homes, Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, where services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, June 30, 2007, with Rev. Dr. David Felty officiating. Burial will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery.

#### Nickolas Scott Louk

1998 Chartiers-Houston High School graduate



Nickolas Scott Louk, 28, of Claysville, formerly of Washington, died unexpectedly Saturday, July 7, 2007.



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He was born
January 9, 1979,
in Washington, a
son of Cecil Dale
and Sandra Kay
Scott Louk of

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Mr. Louk was a 1998 graduate of Chartiers-Houston High School. He was employed by D.L. Interiors in Claysville as a construction worker, was a member of SNPJ, Strabane, and enjoyed fishing.

enjoyed fishing. On June 2, 2004, he married Christina Louise Carter, who sur-

vives

Also surviving are a son, Nathan Scott Louk at home; two brothers, Roy Dale (Jennifer) Louk of Virginia and Martin Lukus (Kim) of Washington; three half brothers, Harley O. Louk of Ohio, Cecil Dale (Patricia) Louk of Maryland and Christopher Louk of Ohio; paternal grandfather Ernest Louk of West Virginia; maternal grandmother Alma Scott of Washington; four nephews, Joshua Louk, Michael Louk and Tyler Louk, all of Virginia, and Kurtis Louk of Washington; and several other family members.

Deceased are a paternal grandmother, Dorothy Louk; maternal grandfather, Roy Scott;

and half brother, John Louk.
Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday in Warco-Falvo Funeral Home Inc., Wilson at East Katherine Avenues, Washington, S. Timothy Warco, supervisor/director, Susan Falvo Warco, director, S. Timothy Warco II, director, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 11, with the Rev. Sharon Kramer officiating. Burial will be private.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Nathan Scott Louk Scholarship Fund, c/o any National City Bank. Condolences may be expressed at www.WarcoFalvoFuneralHome.com.

## Lorna M. Blonski Nurse's aide at Methodist Home, Mt. Lebanon

Lorna M. Blonski, 49, of Midway, died Friday, March 30, 2007, in Magee-Womens Hospi-

tal, Pittsburgh.

She was born November 21, 1957, in Pittsburgh, a daughter of Rene R. and Adine A. (Gracie) Freville of Midway.

She was a nurse's aide, employed by Methodist Home, Mt.

Lebanon.

Mrs. Blonski was a member of First United Methodist Church. where she had served as a Sunday school teacher.

On March 21, 1992, she married Dean Blonski, who survives.

Surviving, in addition to her husband and parents, are two sons, Shawn A. Lyle of Midway and Zackery A. Blonski, at home; a brother, Robert D. Freville of Midway; and two grandchildren, Shawn "A.J." and Kiersten Lyle.

Friends will be received from 2 to 9 p.m. Sunday in Nation Funeral Home Inc., 200 East Lincoln Avenue, McDonald. Services will be held 11 a.m. Monday, April 2, in First United Methodist Church, McDonald, with the Rev. J.D. Hilliard officiating, assisted by the Rev. Ben Robinson of Midway Baptist Church. The family suggests memorial donations to First United Methodist Church, 127 Fannie Street, McDonald, PA 15057, or First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 545, Midway, PA 15060.

#### William Byron **McCracken**

Former owner/operator of Ole Hickory Inn



William By-n (Bill) Mcron (Bill) Cracken, 60, of Washington, died at 8:40 a.m. Tuesday, April 17, 2007, in his residence,

lowing a one-year illness. He was born September 18, 1946, in Glendale, W.Va., a son of Betty Ruth Chase McCarrell of Washington and the late Basil

McCracken Jr. A 1964 McGuffey High School graduate, Mr. McCracken graduated from Rochester Institute of Technology with an accounting degree and became a certified public accountant.

He was Catholic and the owner/operator of Ole Hickory Inn

for 23 years.

Mr. McCracken loved going to amusement parks and riding roller coasters. He also enjoyed boating, the trolley museum in Arden, going to the symphony, visiting the beach and ocean and traveling to New York City.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are two brothers, Robert (Linda) McCracken of Madison, Tenn., and Basil F. (Dorothy) Mc-Cracken of Wyanet, Ill.; a sister, Bonnie Bitz, with whom he made his home; two nieces who were like children to him, Stephanie Bitz and Erin Simpson; a niece, Brianna Alexander;

nephew, Scott McCracken. Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday and Friday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 395 East Maiden Street, Washington, where services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 21. Burial will follow in Claysville Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Hillman Cancer Center, Brain Cancer Program Development, 5150 Centre Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15232.

Additional information and book are online guest www.NealFuneralHome.com.

#### **David Garrett**

Self-employed carpenter with Garrett Construction



David (Scott) Garrett, 48, of Washington, died Monday, April 16, 2007, in Washington Hospital, following an 18-

month illness.

Mr. Garrett was born October 10, 1958, in Washington, a son of Esther Kowcheck of Avella and the late David Lee Garrett.

He was a graduate of Avella

High School.

Mr. Garrett was self-employed as a carpenter with Garrett Construction for 28 years

rett Construction for 28 years.

He enjoyed classic cars,
Harley-Davidson motorcycles,
hunting, fishing and antique
tractor pulling. He was a member of Raccoon Sportmen Club
in Avella and helped Future
Farmers of America at Wash-

ington County Fair.

Surviving are his wife, Edna
Keller Garrett; stepfather Hugh
Kowcheck of Avella; two brothers, Eric M. Kowcheck and
Mark (Theresa) Kowcheck,
both of Wellsburg, W.Va.; two
sisters, Danielle (Patrick)
Clemens of Washington and Lee
Ann (Wayne) Bass of Erwin,
N.C.; four nieces, Jentzen, Karleigh, Tristan and Jocelyn Kowcheck; and a nephew, Drake
Kowcheck.

Deceased, in addition to his father, are his previous wife, Linda Mounts Kosek Garrett; and a brother, Daniel Blake Kowcheck.

Kowcheck.
Friends will be received from 1 to 3 p.m. and 5 to 7 p.m., the hour of a blessing service, Thursday, April 19, in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington. The family suggests memorial contributions to American Cancer Society, 357 East Maiden Street, Washington, PA 15301.

## **Mona Laverne McQuillan**

### Physical therapist aide at Kane Hospital



Mona erne McQuillan. 80, of Midway, died Wednesday, April 25, 2007, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born April 12, 1927, in Candor, a daughter of Robert Audley "Abbe" Dowler and Ella Marie "Berdie" Raab Dowler

Troutman.

Mrs. McQuillan was a member of Center United Presbyterian Church in Midway and was a physical therapist aide at John J. Kane Hospital, Scott Township.

She was a graduate of Midway High School and attended Slip-

pery Rock University.

Her husband, James L. Mc-

Quillan, is deceased.

Surviving are six children, Nina McQuillan of Delaware, Nyla (Gary) Buyan of Çanons-burg, Thomas (Helene) McQuillan of McDonald, Dale (Sandra) McQuillan of Midway, Martin (Becky) McQuillan of Washington and Richard (Jymme) Mc-Quillan of Hickory; 15 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and a brother, Robert Dowler of

West Palm Beach, Fla.

Deceased, in addition to her husband, are a sister, Vera Mc-Gregor, and a great-granddaugh-

ter.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in Thomas-Little Funeral Service Inc., 106 St. John Street, Midway (724-796-3301), where services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 28, with the Rev. John Salley officiating. Interment will follow in Center Cemetery, Midway. Condolences can be expressed at www.thomas-littlefuneralservice.com.

#### **Geraldine Krenzelak**

American Foods, Westland Sportsman Club employee

Geraldine (Gerri) Krenzelak, 65, of Cherry Valley, died Thursday, December 27, 2007, in Donnell House, Washington.

She was born August 9, 1942, in Bulger, a daughter of Russell and Emma Roach Clemens.

Prior to retirement, Mrs. Krenzelak was employed by American Foods in Washington and Westland Sportsman Club.

She enjoyed reading.

Surviving are two sons, Brian Krenzelak and wife Debbie of Cherry Valley and Mark Krenzelak and wife Yvonne of Wasilla, Alaska; her companion, Donnie Stitse; a brother, Charles Clemens and wife Arlene "Sis" of Cherry Valley; and four grand-children, Jackie, Melissa, Audrianna and Zack Krenzelak.

At the request of the deceased, there will be no visitation. Other arrangements will be held at the convenience of the family. Arrangements by Taucher Funeral Home, Burgettstown.

## **Terry Jean Shiel**

# Employed by Once Source at Pittsburgh Airport

Terry Jean Shiel, 47, of Pittsburgh, formerly of Bulger, died Tuesday, August 14, 2007, in Mercy Hospital, Pittsburgh.

She was born October 31, 1959, in Oakdale, a daughter of Emogene Keating of Bulger and

the late Robert Smail.

She was employed by Once Source at Pittsburgh Interna-

tional Airport.

Surviving, in addition to her mother, are a son, Jason M. Shiel of Bulger; a grandson, Austin M. Shiel; stepfather William Keating of Bulger; a stepsister, Linda Sedar; an uncle, Dean Roach of Bulger; two aunts, Nancy Lugaila and Beth Roach, both of Bulger; three nephews, David and Daniel Roach and William Lugaila; a great-nephew, David Roach Jr.; and two great-nieces, Sarah and Briana Roach.

At the request of the deceased, there will be no public visitation. Other arrangements will be held at the convenience of the family. Arrangements handled by Taucher Funeral Home, 23 Erie Mine Road, Burgettstown.

# **Evelyn Laurich Ostop**

#### 1919-2007

Evelyn Laurich Ostop, 88, of Burgettstown, died Tuesday eyening, October 9, 2007, in Presbyterian SeniorCare, Washington.

She was born August 22, 1919, in Burgettstown, a daughter of Anthony and Antoinette Alec Laurich.

After 29 years, Mrs. Ostop retired from the family dairy farm in 1977. She was an avid baker and enjoyed gardening and canning.

Mrs. Ostop was a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church and its Christian Mothers, Burgettstown Semior Citizens and SNPJ Lodge 241 in Burgettstown, since 1951. She was a volunteer for Meals on Wheels for many years.

On May 13, 1944, she married John Ostop, who died July 1, 1986.

Surviving are two sons, John and wife Dianne of Greensburg and Steven and wife Janice of Burgettstown; a daughter, Antoinette Domingue and husband Raymond of Mullica Hill, N.J.; five grandchildren, Chris Resnick, Morgan Frycklund and husband Erik, Jacob Ostop and Andre and Lucy Domingue; a sister, Mary Yamber of Atlasburg; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased, in addition to her parents, are two brothers, August (Goose) and William Laurich; and three sisters, Hannah Pollana, Rose Marie Bongiorni

and Mildred Yamber.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 6 to 9 p.m. Friday in Lee and Martin Funeral Home, 73 Highland Avenue, Burgettstown. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday, October 13, in Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church, Burgettstown, with the Rev. Pierre Sodini as celebrant. Interment will follow in Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in her memory to the Christian Mothers of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 1109 Main Street, Burgettstown, PA 15021.

## Darrell J. Temple

Farmhand for Manchester Farm enjoyed dartball



Darrell Temple, 67, of Hickory, died Saturday, August 25, 2007, in Washington Hospital, following a long and

debilitating illness. He was born July 23, 1940, near Morristown, Ohio, a son of Elizabeth Barb Temple of Hickory and the late Ben F. Temple.

He was member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church.

Before his illness, he shot trap at Indian Springs Rod and Gun Club and played dartball for Hickory Church.

He worked as a farmhand on Manchester Farm near Avella for

many years.

Surviving are his mother, Elizabeth (Libby) Temple of Hickory; a brother, B. Dale Temple and wife Elsie of Hickory; and a nephew, Brian D. Temple and wife Sommer of Hickory.

Deceased, in addition to his father, is an infant brother, David

C. Temple.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Monday and until 11 a.m., the hour of service, Tuesday, August 28, in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, with the Rev. Douglas Reinard officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. Memorial contributions may be made to Hickory United Presbyterian Church, 210 Main Street, P.O. Box 97, Hickory, PA 15340.

Additional information and book are online www.NealFuneralHome.com.

#### John E. Pollack

WWII Army veteran was retired carpenter



John E. (Jack) Pollack, 79, of Burgettstown, died at 12:23 a.m. Sunday, August 26, 2007, in his home.

He was born

September 29, 1927, in the Pollack farmhouse in Cross Creek Township, a son of John Stephen and Rose Koyac Pollack.

He enjoyed gardening, hunting, fishing and feeding the

birds.

Mr. Pollack served in the U.S. Army during World War II as a

military policeman.

He was a bowling lane refinisher for Brunswick Corp. and was later employed as a union carpenter for 42 years, retiring in 1990.

Mr. Pollack was a member of Carpenters Local 230 of Green Tree and American Legion Bert C. Siders Post 643 of Avella.

He was a lifelong resident of Cross Creek Township and was

Catholic.

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On June 25, 1955, he married J. Frances Pelan, who survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Jack (Jackie) Miller of Burgettstown, Mrs. Jury (Janet) McClain Jr. of jettstown and Mrs. Joe

okey" (Janelle) Yamber of la; three grandchildren, (Johnnie Joe) Mondin and and Joe Yamber; and two 3s, Zelma L. and Robert A.

Pc at, both of Burgettstown.

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7 to 9 p.m. Monday and 2 to 4

and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in

Jerome A. Stefkovich Funeral

Home Inc., 18 Campbell Street,

Avella, where a blessing service

will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, August 29. Burial will follow in Grandview Cemetery,

Florence.

## Mary L. Yamber

# Member and secretary of SNPJ Lodge 241

Mary L. Yamber, 83, of Burgettstown, died Saturday, November 3, 2007, in Donnell House, Washington.

She was born January 23, 1924, in Burgettstown, a daughter of Antone and Antoinette Laurich.

Mrs. Yamber was a member of and employed as a secretary for SNPJ Lodge 241.

She was an exceptional baker and enjoyed going to auctions, knitting, crocheting, making crafts and gardening.

Surviving are two sons, Francis (Frankie) Yamber, husband of Debbie of Burgettstown, and Anthony Yamber of Burgettstown.

Deceased are her husband, Frank A. Yamber, who died December 17, 2003; two brothers, William and August "Goose" Laurich; and four sisters, Hannah Pollana, Rose Bongiorni, Mildred Yamber and Evelyn Ostop.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Monday in Taucher Funeral Home, 23 Erie Mine Road, Burgettstown. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Tuesday, November 6, in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Burgettstown, with the Rev. Robert Connolly, pastor, as celebrant. Interment will be in the church cemetery. The family suggests memorial donations be made to Donnell House, Washington.

## Dorothy L. Woodburn

Enjoyed traveling across U.S. and Europe



Dorothy Woodburn. of Avella, died Wednesday, November 2007, in Washington Hospital. She was born

February 3, 1923, in Houston, a daughter of Ralph R. and Sarah

R. McMillan Mull.

She was a homemaker who enjoyed crocheting, baking and playing the organ. She also liked to travel and crossed the United States three times in addition to visiting several European countries.

On January 31, 1942, she married William Ambrose Woodburn Jr., who died February 25, 1979.

Surviving are five sons, William Woodburn, Richard (Beatrice) Woodburn and Russell Woodburn, all of Avella, Frederick (Anna) Woodburn of Burgettstown and Roland (Delphine) Woodburn of Wellsburg, W.Va.; a daughter, Doris (Wayne) Peterson Carmichaels; a sister, Mary Jane (Glenn) Ewing of Washington; 11 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Deceased are three brothers, James and Clifford Mull and Charles Roland, and two sisters, Betty Marker and Shirley Meeks.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in Hummell and Barnhill Funeral Home, 420 Locust Avenue, Washington, Thomas W. Hummell, supervisor, Douglas M. Jones, funeral director, 724-225-7710, where services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday, November 17, with the Rev. Robert Neal officiating. Burial will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. Condolences can be left at hummellandbarnhill.com.

# Gladys Myrtle Briggs

Girl Scout leader, secretary enjoyed baking, crafts



Gladys Myrtle Briggs, 88, formerly of Washington, died Tuesday, October 9, 2007, in HRC ManorCare,

McMurray, with her grandson and granddaughter at her bedside. She had been in declining health since September.

She was born May 20, 1919, in Lincoln Hill, a daughter of Jenkin and Virgie Mae Clemens Ellis.

Mrs. Briggs was a member of First United Presbyterian Church of Washington, past chief of Pythian Sisters 172 Temple and leader and secretary with Girl Scouts.

She enjoyed cooking, baking, working word search puzzles, playing bingo, gardening, crafts and helping others.

On April 7, 1937, in Washington, she married Jess J. Briggs Jr., who died October 18, 2006.

Surviving are a grandson, John W. Briggs and wife Kathleen "Kay" of Washington; and two sisters, Grace Friend and Edna Miller, both of Washington.

Deceased are a daughter, Deanna Lee Briggs; a sister, Clara Pettit; and two brothers, Jenkin and Ernie Ellis.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday in Hummell and Barnhill Funeral Home Inc., Thomas W. Hummell, supervisor, Douglas M. Jones, funeral director, 420 Locust Avenue, Washington (724-225-7710), where services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, October 12. Interment will follow in Washington Cemetery. Online condolences may be left at www.hummellandbarnhill.com.

#### **7ita Pakisz**

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Zita Pakisz, 87, of Slovan, died Wednesday afternoon, November 21, 2007, in Weirton (W.Va.) Medical Center.

She was born July 2, 1920, in Eldersville, a daughter of Frank

and Angelina Lucisano.

Mrs. Pakisz was a graduate of Union High School, Burgettstown, and a parishioner of Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church, Burgettstown, where she was a member of its Catholic Daughters and Christian Mothers.

She enjoyed playing cards with her friends of the 500 Club and enjoyed cooking for her family

and friends.

On February 11, 1946, in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, she married Casimir Pakisz, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Richard Pakisz and wife Linda of Washington; a daughter, Charleen Grey and husband Richard of Paris; three granddaughters, Blair Grey, Angela and Todd Niederriter and Katrina Zdanys and husband Dave; and three greatgrandsons, Ryan, Henry and Greyden Niederriter.

In addition to her parents, deceased are three sisters, Antoinette Lucisano, Dorothy D'Urso and Victoria Cieslak; and a

brother, Carl Lucisano.

Friends will be received from 1 to 8 p.m. Friday in Lee & Martin Funeral Home, 73 Highland Avenue, Burgettstown, where a blessing service will be held at noon Saturday, November 24, with the Rev. Robert Connolly officiating. Interment will follow in Chestnut Ridge Cemetery, Hanover Township.

## Hilda D. Wagner

Accomplished seamstress enjoyed baking and canning



Hilda D. Wag-85, Brighton, Colo., died Tuesday, December 2007. Brighton.

She was born February 16, 1922, in Washington, to Lawrence and Francis

Maye Dunn Davidson. Mrs. Wagner attended Mt. Township Pleasant public

schools. On August 16, 1952, she married Harry Wagner, who is de-

ceased. She had lived in the Brighton area since 2001. She spent the majority of her life in Hickory and worked in Cox's Department

Store in Washington. An accomplished seamstress, Mrs. Wagner baked and canned and loved spending time in her garden. She was a role model to her family and those in her community and was a proud and prolific grandmother and great-

grandmother. Surviving are her sons, Robert (Nancy) Reedy of Venetia, Wes (Susan) Reedy of East Lansing, Mich., James (Sally) Reedy of Burgettstown and David (Donna) Reedy of Walsenburg, Colo.; a daughter, Bonnie (Michael) Kolano of Brighton; a brother, Kline Davidson of Hickory; a sis-ter, Janet Weimer of Glasco, Mont.; 10 grandchildren; and 25

great-grandchildren. Deceased, in addition to her parents and husband, are brothers Louis, Renzie and Richard Davidson; and a sister, Nora Jean

Simpson. Friends will be received from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., the hour services, Friday, December 28, in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Wash-ington, with the Rev. Les Howard officiating. Interment will follow in Upper Buffalo Presbyterian Cemetery, Washington. Memorial contributions may be made to Brighton Senior Center, 575 Bush Street, Brighton, CO 80601.

Additional information lest book are online and guest www.NealFuneralHome.com.

# **Maribel Hines Sweany**

Musician, active member of East Bethlehem Baptist Church

Maribel Hines Sweany, 82, of New Freeport, formerly of Clarksville, died Friday, Janu-ary 4, 2008, in the home of her daughter, Olivia Guthrie, after a lengthy illness.

She was born May 17, 1925, in Georges Township, Fayette County, a daughter of Walter Hines Sr. and Eula Townsend Hines.

Mrs. Sweany was a member of East Bethlehem Baptist Church, where she taught Sunday school for many years in Ladies Bible Class. She also served as deaconess, secretary, choir member and janitor of the church.

She enjoyed playing music and singing with her family at home. She also played guitar and sang in many area churches. At one time, she played with a country band called Trail Blazers, who were broadcast on WJPA radio.

In addition to her musical and church interests, she enjoyed gardening and especially growing roses.

During World War II, worked in a bomb factory to help

with the war effort.

On November 27, 1946, she married John A. Sweany, who died December 17, 2004.

Surviving are two daughters, Diana Ross of Carmichaels and Olivia Guthrie, with whom she made her home, of New Freeport; two sons, John L. Sweany of Marianna and Lloyd A. Sweany of Clarksville; five grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; two stepgreat-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews

Deceased, in addition to her husband, are a son, Leonard Sweany, who died June 10, 1969; and two brothers, Wilbert and Walter Hines Jr.

Friends will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in Green-lee Funeral Home, 42 Bank Street at Crawford Road, Fredericktown, where services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Monday, January 7, with the Rev. James Cannon officiating. Interment will be in Horn Cemetery, Marianna. Contributions may be made to East Bethlehem Baptist Church,

#### Dennis A. Loffert

Avid outdoorsman, self-employed farmer

Dennis A. Loffert, 56, of Mc-Donald, Mt. Pleasant Township, died unexpectedly Friday, February 1, 2008, in his home.

He was born January 23, 1952, in Canonsburg, a son of the late John K. and Anne Ramous Loffert.

Mr. Loffert was a self-employed farmer. He was a member of Fort Cherry Class of 1971 and was an avid outdoorsman and hunter, enjoying nature and all its bounties. He also loved his family, friends and his dog, Raven.

Surviving are two sisters, Sandee (George) Furda of Hickory and Karen (Art) Lustig of Ohio; a nephew, A.J. and Cheryl Mondin of Cherry Valley; a niece, Jessica Acker of Washington; a great-nephew, August Joshua (A.J.) Mondin; and a special cousin, Rowene Loffert of Midway.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Monday in Thomas-Little Funeral Service Inc., 314 West Lincoln Avenue, McDonald (724-926-2800), where services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, February 5. Interment will follow in Robinson Run Cemetery, McDonald.

Please sign the guest book at thomas-littlefuneralservice.com.

# Alma E. Jarman

Owned, operated Finish Line restaurant



Alma E. Jarman, 70, of Up-per St. Clair, formerly Wallace, N.C., Hickory, and died unexpectedly Monday, April 28, 2008, in Canonsburg

General Hospital.

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She was born December 10, 1937, in Wallace, a daughter of Peachie Hatcher Jarman Rivenbark of Wallace and the late Edmund Jarman.

Ms. Jarman was a member of Community Chartiers Creek

Church, McMurray.

She was a graduate of the Art Institute of Pittsburgh, with a degree in interior design. Ms. Jarman was a homemaker who later owned and operated

Finish Line restaurant for more than 15 years, as well as managing rental properties. She enjoyed playing cards,

gardening, cooking and watching court shows.

Surviving are five daughters, Patty Kraus of Canonsburg, Lin-(Tim) Dire-Miller Claysville, Jerri Dire of Canonsburg, Tracey (Dave) Hapchuk of Washington and Angel (John) Dire-Nunamaker of Lawrence; four grandchildren, Diane Fehl, Ryan Ludwin, Nick Dire and Chris Hapchuk; and several

Deceased are a sister and

nieces and nephews.

nephew, Madeline Johnson and her son, Ronnie. Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday in Piatt and Barnhill Funeral Home, 420 Locust Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, May 1, with the Rev. George Garancosky and Pastor Skip Irwin officiating. Interment will follow in Forest Lawn Gardens, McMurray. The family suggests memorial contributions be directed to Chartiers Creek Community Church, 4017 Washington Road, #1000, McMurray, PA 15317. Piatt and Barnhill Funeral Directors Inc., Charles R. Piatt, owner/supervisor, Lawrence K. Donovan, funeral director.

On December 13, 1954, he married Mary Etta Allen, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, James (Patricia) Brager of Midway; four daughters, Sandra (John) Pirillo, Mary (Danny) Petka, Theresa (Mike) Milvet and Sherri (Stephen) Lowe, all of Avella; 12 grandchildren, Melissa, JoAnn, John, Jessica, Amber, Angela, Ryan, Jade, Mikey, Samantha, Megan and Zachary; and seven great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, John Michael Brager, who died in 1981; two brothers, Frank and Charles; and three sisters, Pauline, Mary and Clementine.

Friends will be received from 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, February 12. Burial will follow in Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Peters Township. Additional information and guest book are online at www.NealFuneral-Home.com.

## John Brager

Molycorp retiree enjoyed fishing and his family



John Brager, 83, of Avella, died Sunday. February 10, 2008, in Washington Hospital, following a brief illness.

He was born June 14, 1924, in Willock, Allegheny County, a son of John and Pearl Grandon

Brager.

Mr. Brager grew up in Slovan, and in 1946, he moved to Brush Run with his family, where he resided until his death.

During World War II. he served in the civil service in Hawaii, where he worked as a machinist in a shipyard.

For 38 years, Mr. Brager was a metallurgist assistant at Molycorp, retiring in 1986. He was also a self-employed dairy farmer.

He loved to fish and really enjoyed family gatherings in his Brush Run home.

Mr. Brager was very quickwitted and great with a joke. He kept up on current events and enjoyed reading and doing puzzles. He was a history buff who loved to read about the Civil

Mr. Brager was a member of Immaculate Conception Church,

Washington.

War.

He will be dearly missed by his loving wife, children and grandchildren, who cherished every moment they spent togeth-

### Martha V. Frazier Kelley

Member of Friendship Community Church



Martha V. Frazier Kelley, 84, of Washington, died Saturday, April 26, 2008, in Washington County Health Center,

Chartiers Township, following

a lengthy illness.

She was born November 1, 1923, in Washington, a daughter of Joseph Edwin and Gladys Patience Coughenour Mackey.

For 34 years, Mrs. Kelley worked as a gang saw machine operator at Union Camp Corp.

operator at Union Camp Corp. She was a member of Friendship Community Church and also attended North Buffalo Church.

On May 29, 1940, she married John P. (Jack) Frazier, who died December 11, 1961.

On September 4, 1963, she married Samuel C. Kelley, who

survives.
Also surviving are a son, John H. (Jack) (Connie) Frazier of Washington; a daughter, Karen C. Sims of Washington; four grandchildren, Robin (Scott) Rogers, Butch (Char) Sims Jr., Catherine (Tad) Dames and Christopher L. Frazier; eight great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, William Joseph Frazier; two grandchildren, Virginia Sims and Jack A. Frazier; and three sisters, Dorothy Renz, Louise Mounts

Dolothy Renz, Louis

and Helen Loughman.
Friends will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, May 1, with Pastor Rick Bruckner officiating. Burial will follow in North Buffalo Church Cemetery.

Additional information and guest book are online at www.NealFuneralHome.com.

## **Clark Daniel Kennedy**

Wilmington, N.C., man was UNCW oceanographer

Clark Daniel (Dan) Kennedy, 58, of Wilmington, N.C., died Saturday, March 22, 2008.

He was an oceanographer employed by University of North Carolina-Wilmington Center for Marine Science.

Surviving are his mother, Laura Carter Kennedy of Charlotte, N.C., formerly of Canonsburg; a son, Clark Dillon Kennedy of Marysville; a daughter, Kathryn Ann (Katy) Kennedy of Marathon, Fla.; a brother, Carter Kennedy and wife Deborah of Vilas, N.C.; and a sister, Lynne Kennedy and husband Clifton Settlemyer and their children Laura, Jill and Diana of Charlotte.

He also leaves numerous relatives and friends.

Deceased are his father, Clark Duane Kennedy.

There will be a private family observance

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to a charity of one's choice.

Online condolences may be sent to www.wilmingtonburia-landcremation.com.

Wilmington Burial and Cremation Service, 1535 S. 41st Street, Wilmington, NC 28403 (910-791-9099).

#### Kathleen Ann Knipper Karns

Registered nurse enjoyed camping and bingo



Kathleen Ann Knipper Karns, 64, of Hickory, formerly of Meadville, died Tuesday, February 26, 2008, in her home.

She was born July 1, 1943, in Meadville, a daughter of the late Roy and Mary Hoke Knipper.

Roy and Mary Hoke Knipper.

She was a member of St.

Patrick Church, and, prior to her retirement, she worked as a registered nurse for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for 23 years. She loved to camp and spend time with friends playing bingo at Ponderosa Park in Salem, Ohio.

Surviving are her husband of 42 years, Eugene (Gene) D. Karns; two sons, Eugene (Gene) Karns Jr. of Hickory and Patrick (Pat) Karns of Batavia, Ill.; two daughters, Denise (Dee) Karns of Hickory and Sheila Karns-Gierek (Kirk) of Germantown, Ohio; a granddaughter, Caelyn Grace Gierek; a sister, Eileen Rogers of Irving, Texas; a niece, Christy Rogers; a nephew, Michael Rogers; a great-nephew, Trevor Rogers; two aunts, Ellen Knipper of Toledo, Ohio, and Ruth Bowen of Cathedral City, Calif.; several brothers and sisters-in-law; and nieces and nephews.

Deceased is a sister, Mary Ann Knipper, who died in infancy.

Friends will be received from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday and 10 to 11:30 a.m. Thursday in Sollon Funeral Home Ltd., 30 East College Street, Canonsburg, J. David Sollon, supervisor.

Sollon, supervisor.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at noon Thursday, February 28, in St. Patrick Church, 317 West Pike Street, Canonsburg. Visit www.sollon.com for additional information and to leave condolences.

## John R. Babyak

1940-2008



John R. (Jack) Babyak, 67, of Burgettstown, died Sunday afternoon, May 4, 2008, in his home, sur-

rounded by his loving family.

He was born November 17, 1940, in Slovan, a son of John

and Anna Bumbera Bobyak. A 1958 graduate of Union High School in Burgettstown, he retired from Black and White Engineering in Oakdale, where he was warehouse su-

pervisor. He was an avid NASCAR fan and enjoyed the outdoors, especially camping, hunting, fishing and picking mush-

rooms. Surviving is his loving wife of 49 years, Kathy Stewart Babyak.

Also surviving are two sons, John R. Babyak and wife Paula of Plymouth, Mass., and James Babyak of Burgettstown; two daughters, Kim Fanase and husband Carmen of Atlasburg and Leslie Wager and husband Michael of Winston Salem, N.C.; six grandchildren, Andrew and Alex Babyak, Joshua Fender, Jessica Cecchini and Jake Babyak and Jenna Babyak; a sister, Joanne Smo-ley of Munhall; a brother, Jimmy Bobyak and wife Susie of Burgettstown; and several

nieces and nephews. He also leaves his two cats,

Teenie and Midnight. Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 6 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in Lee and Martin Fu-leral Home, 73 Highland Avmue, Burgettstown, where a lessing service will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 7, with the Rev. Robert Connolly officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery,

Hickory. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in his memory to Vitas Hospice Charitable Fund, 235 Alpha Drive, Suite 101, Pittsburgh, PA 15238.

### Frank E. Oiler

Army veteran, All-Clad Metalcrafters employee

Frank E. "Butch" Oiler, 57, of Avella, died at 4:30 p.m. Friday, May 2, 2008, in Donnell House, Washington.

He was born May 14, 1950, in Weirton, W.Va., a son of the late Franklin W. and Marie Chappell

Oiler.

Mr. Oiler served in the U.S. Army.

He enjoyed motor sports,

camping, racing and riding his motorcycle.

Mr. Oiler was employed by

All-Clad Metalcrafters, where he

enjoyed his job and leaves many

friends.

He was a resident of Avella for the past 30 years.

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On March 21, 1971, he married Barbara A. Hinds, who sur-

vives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Cindy and Rod Pattison of Wellsburg, W.Va., Brandie and Anthony Chapman of Avella and Tina and Edward Powers Jr. of Avella; two sons, Keith and Kim Oiler of Avella and Scott Oiler of Avella; seven grandchildren, Rod Jr. and Chance Pattison, Shayne and Tyler Chapman, Taylor Powers and Austin and Hunter Oiler; a sister, Wilda Oiler Bertovich of Avella; and many nieces and nephews.

Deceased, in addition to his parents, is a sister, Dorothy Oiler, who died at birth; and a niece, Rea Ann Bertovich Clouston.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in Jerome A. Stefkovich Funeral Home Inc., 18 Campbell Street, Avella, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, May 5, with the Rev. Douglas Reinard officiating. Burial will be in West Point Cemetery, Avella.

#### **Charles Toth**

Former employee of Delfrate Meat Packing, American Foods

Charles Toth "Uncle Charlie", 88, of Cherry Valley, died Monday, May 5, 2008, in Washington Hospital.

He was born December 3, 1919, in Bertha Mine, a son of Joseph Sr. and Johanna Haftl Toth.

Mr. Toth was employed by Delfrate Meat Packing Co. in Slovan and American Foods in Washington.

He was a founding member of Cherry Valley Sportsmen Club and a member of Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of North America Local 424.

Surviving are a sister, Elsie Stewart of Cherry Valley, with whom he made his home; nieces Suellywn Stewart, M.D., Joanne Mancinelli, husband Mario and children Michael and Julie, and Roberta Hamilton, husband Dean and children Katy and Amy; nephews William Stewart Jr. and son, William Stewart Jr. and Dennis Stewart, wife Patricia and children Jillian and Rachel; and many nieces, nephews,

great-nieces and nephews.

Also surviving are family friends Connie Johnson and Karen Miller.

Deceased are four brothers, Joseph (Abe) Toth, Iggy Toth, Casper Toth and Alex Toth; and four sisters, Anne Toth, Margaret Toth, Eleanor Ingram and Elizabeth Toth.

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Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Friday in Taucher Funeral Home, 23 Erie Mine Road, Burgettstown. A Mass of Resurrection will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 10, in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Burgettstown, with the Rev. Robert Connolly, pastor, as celebrant. Interment will be in the church cemetery.

## Wallace C. Haynes

Mt. Pleasant VFD member drove for Brownlee Trucking

Wallace C. "Buck" Haynes, 75, of Washington, formerly of Hickory, died at 7:25 a.m. Tuesday, May 13, 2008, in his home.

He was born March 23, 1933, in Cherry Valley, son of George William and Gladys Black

Haynes.

Mr. Haynes served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War and was honorably discharged February 14, 1954, with the rank of sergeant.

He was employed by Star Mold Engineering and Dynamics from 1951 to 1985. He also was employed as truck driver for Brownlee Trucking for 10

years, retiring in 1995. Mr. Haynes was a member of Bert C. Siders American Legion Post 643 of Avella, Richard Vaux Masonic Lodge 454 of Burgettstown and a Lifeline member of Mt. Pleasant Township Volunteer Fire Department.

His wife, Helen Rhea Haynes, whom he married December 1,

1966, survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Terry Ann Terry of Kittitas, Wash.; two sons, Bruce Katocs of Ellensburg, Wash., and Michael Haynes of Cle Elum, Wash.; a daughter-in-law, Betsy Haynes of Midway; seven grandchildren; and nine greatgrandchildren.

Deceased, in addition to his parents, are a son, Glenn Alan Haynes, who died in February

2003; and an infant sister.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in Jerome A. Stefkovich Funeral Home Inc., 18 Campbell Street, Avella, PA 15312, where services will be held at noon Saturday, May 17, with the Rev. Joseph Jeffreys officiating. Burial will be in Cross Creek Cemetery, Avella.

Memorial contributions may be made to Mt. Pleasant Township Volunteer Fire Department or to a charity of one's choice.

Bert C. Siders American Legion Post 643 of Avella will provide military services.

# **Mabel Angelina King**

1938 Hickory High School graduate was homemaker



Mabel Angelina King, 88, of Washington, died Sunday, January 4, 2009 in Southmont or Presbyterian SeniorCare, Wash

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Hickory, a daughter of Angel

and Ivey Young Rossi.

Mrs. King was a 1938 graduate of Hickory High School, where she was a member of the basket ball team.

She was a homemaker.

On August 11, 1939, she married Robert King, who died in 1960.

Surviving are three sons, Robert W. (Cathy) King of Burgettstown, Charles Richard (Becky) King of Washington and John W. (Linda) King of Wheeling, W.Va.; a daughter, Nancy Ferrar of Washington; three sisters, Alice Auld and Jane Kreer, both of Washington, and Margaret Leopold of Hickory; nine grandchildren; 16 greatgrandchildren; and a great-great grandchild.

Deceased are four brothers, Harry, Ernest, Billy and Billy; three sisters, Paulina Reed, Bessie Popp and Mary Chipps;

and two grandchildren.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, January 8, with the Rev. Susan VandeKappelle officiating. Burial will follow in West Alexander Cemetery. Additional information and a guest book are online at www.NealFuneralHome.com.

### Frank W. Jamison

WWII vet owned Jamison's Auto Repair and Towing

Frank W. Jamison, 81, of Mc-Donald, died Thursday, May 15 2008, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh.

He was born March 25, 1927, in McDonald, a son of Herbert and Margaret Hadden Jamison.

Mr. Jamison served during World War II in the U.S. Army.

He was the owner/operator of Jamison's Auto Repair and Towing in McDonald. Having driven a bus for Fort Cherry School District, he took students to school, many athletic events and field trips.

Mr. Jamison was a life member of McDonald Vounteer Fire Department and a member of American Legion Post 485 and McDonald Veterans of Foreign

Wars Post 567.

On October 16, 1954, he married Sarah (Sally) Gearhart, who

died May 31, 2002.

Surviving are two sisters, Margaret Love of McDonald and Mary Stewart of Americus, Kan.; a brother, Herbert "Russ" (LaVerne) Jamison of McDonald; a sister-in-law, Daisy Jamison of Oglesby, Ill.; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased is a brother, James

Jamison.

Friends will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday and 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m., the time of services, Saturday, May 17, in Nation Funeral Home Inc., 220 East Lincoln Avenue, McDonald, with the Rev. Charles Puff officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations be sent to McDonald Volunteer Fire Department.



Helen B. Brown

Hickory basketball star ran Brown's Greenhouses

Helen B. Brown died at 8:30 p.m. Thursday, March 13, 2008, surrounded by her loved ones.

She was born May 15, 1914, in McDonald, the only child of John and Caroline Paskutis. Her family went back to Kaunas, Lithuania, and there she spent her early childhood. When World War I threatened their home, they moved to several other places, including St. Petersburg, Russia.

Eventually, she found herself awaiting passage to America the Majestic from aboard Southampton, England, passed through Ellis Island as a

10-year-old. Learning English was easy for her. She already knew five other languages. She was an avid reader and quickly became the class tutor. She skipped grades in school and transferred from Ce-

cil to Hickory High School. Besides being an academic standout, she was athletically gifted. She excelled in track, but was best known as a basketball star. As captain, she led her teamto a division title in March 1929. when she set a scoring record of 76 field-goal and 20 foul-shot points. She was featured in Ripley's Believe It Or Not, and the record is thought to be intact today.

At 16, she graduated from Hickory as the May Queen and valedictorian. Her former high school, Cecil, honored her at

graduation.

Following graduation, she played basketball with the Coca-Cola All Stars, a semi-pro team. She studied nursing at Mercy Hospital, but even with a scholarship, the Great Depression forced an end to her career aspirations.

She had a love for beauty and flowers and found her talent as a floral designer. She and her husband, William, ran Brown's Greenhouses in Hickory. Besides gardening, she also loved collecting antiques, sewing, interior decorating, traveling and especially ballroom dancing. Waltzing was her specialty.

Mrs. Brown enjoyed cards and belonged to Hickory Bridge Club. She was past president of McDonald Garden and Hickory

Women's clubs.

Surviving are sons Ronald of Pittsburgh, John of Bucks County and Thomas of McMurray; a daughter, Sally Brown-Pawlosky of Hickory; seven grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She also will be missed by her dog, Lassie, and loyal cat, Bun-

nie.

Friends will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in Thomas-Little Funeral Service Inc., 314 West Lincoln Avenue, McDonald (724-926-2800). A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Monday, March 17, in St. Alphonsus Roman Catholic Church, McDonald.

Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory.

Please sign the guest book online at www.thomas-littlefuneralservice.com.

### Florence V. Crowley

The Meadows Racetrack retiree enjoyed sewing

Florence V. Crowley, 74, of Hickory, died Thursday, December 11, 2008, in her home.

She was born March 27, 1934, in Atlasburg, a daughter of Nazareno and Evelvn Mores Manni.

Prior to retirement, she was employed for 26 years at The Meadows Racetrack, Washington.

Mrs. Crowley's greatest joy was her children and grandchil-

She enjoyed sewing and gardening.

On November 14, 1953, she married Robert Crowley, who survives.

Also surviving are four sons, Robert (Cindy) Crowley of Medina, Ohio, Daniel (Noreen) Crowley of Pembroke Pines, Fla., and Terry Crowley and Rick Crowley, both of Hickory; a daughter, Kelly (Don) Liggett of Hickory; three brothers, Joe Manni of Cleveland, Ohio, Elio Manni of Cross Creek and James Manni of Canonsburg; two sisters, Vilma Russell of Atlasburg and Janice Donelli of Dothan, Ala.; 15 grandchildren; and five greatgrandchildren.

Deceased are two brothers. Anthony and Carl Manni; and a

sister, Dora Lombardi.

Friends will be received from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday and 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday in Taucher Funeral Home, 23 Erie Mine Road, Burgettstown, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, December 15, with Pastor Robert Neal officiating. Interment will follow at Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory.

### Irma J. Wagner

Member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church

Irma J. Wagner, 87, of Hickory, died Monday, January 12, 2009, in her home.

She was born May 22, 1921, in Bridgeville, a daughter of Michael and Anna Wagner Eltschlager.

Mrs. Wagner had worked for General Electric in Bridgeville.

She was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church.

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On November 20, 1942, she married Joseph Wagner, who died June 14, 1975.

Surviving are two daughters, Judy Coulter of Washington and Joanne Cowden (Dave) of Hickory; two sons, Joseph Wagner Jr. and Jeffrey Wagner, both of Hickory; a sister, Betts Vrabel of Bridgeville; a brother, Harry Eltschlager of McDonald; five grandchildren, Suzanne Dupke, Diane Reckner, Tami Samol (Ed), Amy Rogers (Rick) and Scott Dire; 14 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Deceased is a brother, Bill Eltschlager.

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Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday in McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., Robert K. McIlvaine, owner/supervisor, 27 Cherry Avenue, Houston, PA 15342, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, January 15. Interment will be in Mt. Prospect Cemetery.

The family suggests memorial contributions be made to American Heart Association. The obituary and condolences may be viewed at www.mcilvaine-speakman.com.

### Former Burgettstown School District bookkeeper

Mary Ann Tasz, 91, of Mc-Donald, died Wednesday, March 4, 2009, in Marian Manor, Green Tree.

She was born February 25, 1918, in Joffre, a daughter of Nicholas and Bessie Pendracky Gratchen.

Prior to retirement, Mrs. Tasz had been employed as a bookkeeper for Burgettstown Area School District for a number of years and later for H&R Block.

She was a graduate of Union High School in Burgettstown.

Mrs. Tasz was a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church in Burgettstown and its Christian Mothers. She also was a member of Lodge 89 SNPJ in Midway.

On July 31, 1937, she married Joseph F. Tasz, who died No-

vember 14, 1990.

Surviving are a daughter, Mary Ann (Bill) Gilbert of Burgettstown; two sons, John E. Tasz (Karen) of Midway and Ronald Tasz of McDonald; three brothers, John Gratchen of Wintersville, Ohio, George Gratchen of Virginia Beach, Va., and Andrew Gratchen of Joffre; a sister, Frances Prata of Bulger; nine grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Deceased, in addition to her husband, are a brother, Joseph Gratchen, and a sister, Ann

Kuzior.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in Taucher Funeral Home, 23 Erie Mine Road, Burgettstown. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 7, in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Burgettstown, with the Rev. Robert Connolly, pastor, as celebrant. Interment will follow in the church cemetery.

### Sharon L. **Bodish Douglas**

Bridges Construction Co. laborer was motorcyclist



Sharon Bodish Douglas. 41, of Bethel Park, died Wednesday, March 4, 2009, as a result of injuries sustained

in a motorcycle accident.

She was born November 18. 1967, in Bethel Park, a daughter of the late Gerald E. and Barbara E. Barnes Bodish.

She worked as a laborer for Bridges Construction Co. of

Pittsburgh.

A 1985 Bethel Park High School graduate, she was a member of Free Methodist Church in Monongahela. She also was actively involved around the 2nd Brigade Motorcycle Club and a member of Palanka Sportsman's and Independent clubs of Houston.

She loved her children, riding her motorcycle and the many people she touched; they will al-

ways remember.

Surviving are a son, Hunter Douglas, at home; a daughter, Toni Mirenna, at home; a brother, Karl Bodish of New Eagle; and her fiance, Brad Behanna, to whom she would have married March 28, 2009.

A memorial service will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, March 13, in Free Methodist Church, 401 2nd Street, Monongahela, with the Rev. William Bailey officiating. Interment will be held at a later date. A benefit ride has been planned in her memory Saturday, March 28. For times and more information, call 724-267-3126 or 724-554-6598. Arrangements are by Marshall Marra Funeral Home, 216 Chess Street, Monongahela, PA 15063 724-258-6767).

### **Edward Charles Bissett**

A man of hope, courage and determination



Edw d a r Charles Bissett, 53, of Hickory, passed away Tuesday, February 17, 2009 Feb-Donnell in House, Wash-

ington, after a courageous battle with metastatic kidney cancer. He was born February 21, 1955, in Washington, a son of Nellie Jane Brown Bissett of Hickory and the late Howard

Paul Bissett Sr. Mr. Bissett was a 1974 gradu-

ate of Fort Cherry High School. He was employed at Washington Penn Plastics for 27 years.

Mr. Bissett enjoyed farming, animals, the outdoors and, most of all, life.

was man of hope, a courage and determination.

Mr. Bissett leaves behind his devoted wife, Rita E. Deveso Bissett, whom he married April 22, 1980, and their three canine companions, Shadow, Simon and Spencer.

Surviving, in addition to his wife and mother, are two brothers, Howard Paul (Sally) Bissett Jr. of Houston and Robert (Diana) Bissett of Hickory; a sister, Jane (Rich) Lucas of Hickory; a father-in-law, Frank (Ronnie) Deveso of Hamburg, N.Y.; brothers-in-law William C. Ullom Jr. of Hickory and Gary Deveso of Hamburg; a sister-in-law, Laurie (Mike) Manning of Hamburg; and several nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, aunts and uncles.

He also leaves good friends.

Deceased, in addition to his father, are a sister, Lois Ullom; a mother-in-law, Georgina Deveso; and a brother-in-law, John

Deveso. Friends and family will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 395 East Maiden Street, Washington, where services will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, February 20. Burial will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Sonni Fund, Angel Ridge Animal Rescue, 390 Old Hickory Ridge Road, Washington, PA 15301. Additional information and a guest book are online at www.NealFuneral-Home.com.

### Robert B. Brezinski

WWII vet, dairy farmer worked for Mathies Mine



Robert B. Brezinski, 81, of Hickory, died Wednesday, February 11, 2009.

2009. He was born January 24,

1928, in Rea, a son of John and Laura Dobroski Brezinski.

Mr. Brezinski served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was employed by Consolidation Coal and Mathies Mine.

He also was a dairy farmer. Mr. Brezinski was a member of St. Michael Roman Catholic

Church.

He had been a resident of

Hickory since 1968.

September 5, 2006.

On September 3, 1949, he married Margaret Whitco, who died January 28, 1980.
On May 22, 1981, he married Julia Ann Pochiba, who died

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Frank (Barbara) Wudkwych of Hickory, Mrs. John (Mary Ann) McHenry of Russell and Mrs. George (Bernadette) Heron of Hickory; a son, Paul (Barbara) Brezinski of Hickory; nine grandchildren; 11 great-

grandchildren; and three brothers, Henry and Richard Brezin-

ski, both of Washington, and James Brezinski of Hickory. Deceased, in addition to his wives and parents, are two sisters, Irene Magon and Theresa Wiegman, and five brothers, Frank, Charles, Steve, Joseph

and Sigmund.

Friends will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in Jerome A. Stefkovich Funeral Home Inc., 18 Campbell Street, Avella, PA 15312. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, February 16, in St. Michael Church, 95 Highland Avenue, Avella, with Father Pierre Sodini as celebrant. Burial will be in St. Michael Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Michael Church Building Fund, 95 Highland Avenue, Avella, PA 15312

### Leroy S. Frye

#### U.S. Army veteran, LTV Steel retiree

Leroy S. Frye, 81, of Burgettstown, died Wednesday, February 4, 2009, in Washington Hospital.

He was born August 14, 1927, in Hickory, a son of Floyd Albert and Sarah Viola Sloop Frye.

Prior to retirement, Mr. Frye was employed by LTV Steel in

Aliquippa:

He was a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church in Burgettstown, Knights of Columbus Burgettstown Council 3440 and 4th Degree Bishop Boyle Assembly.

He was a U.S. Army veteran, having served during the Kore-

an conflict.

Surviving are a brother, William Frye of Hickory; a sister, Thelma Marquis of Hickory; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are his wife, Elma Zuccaro Frye, who died October 19, 1998; four brothers, Albert, David, Jim and Harry Frye; and four sisters, Elizabeth Sherwood, Adeline Sheller, Mary Rankin and Jean Dormo.

At the request of the deceased, there will be no visitation. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday, February 7, in Our Lady of Lourdes Church with the Rev. Robert Connolly, pastor, as celebrant. Interment will follow in the church cemetery.

### **Thelma Raab Doumont**

Mt. Pleasant Twp. resident, Center U.P. Church member



Raab Doumont, 91, of Mt. Pleasant Township, died Friday, June 6, 2008, in Weirton (W.Va.)

Thelma E.

Medical Center, as a result of a fall in her home.

She was born July 27, 1916, on the family farm in Mt. Pleasant Township, a daughter of Henry G. and Mary Kaste Raab.

Mrs. Doumont was a 1934 graduate of Hickory High School, where she was a member of its girls basketball team.

On December 24, 1936, in Center United Presbyterian Church, Midway, she married Joseph H. Doumont, who died

August 9, 1965.

She worked in the Fort Cherry High School cafeteria, retiring in 1986 after 20 years of service.

Mrs. Doumont was a member of Center United Presbyterian Church, where she had served as a deacon, Mariners group of the church, Mt. Pleasant Township Farm Women and McDonald and Midway se--nior citizens.

### iola Leanna Kraeer

### power of Clayton's Dress Shop in McDonald



Viola Leanna Kraeer, 89, of Hickory, died Tuesday, March 3, 2009, in Washington County Health Center,

Chartiers Township. She was born February 19, 1920, in Hickory, a daughter of Brady Wilford and Annie Schaeffer Ahrns. She was born and lived her entire life on the family farm in Mt. Pleasant Township.

Mrs. Kraeer graduated from Hickory High School in 1939. For more than 20 years, she was the co-owner of Clayton's Dress

Shop in McDonald. Mrs. Kraeer was a lifelong member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Canonsburg, where she enjoyed teaching Sunday school. She also enjoyed playing cards, traveling and peeling apples for the Hickory Apple Festival.

On December 9, 1945, she married Thomas O. Kraeer, who

died May 31, 2002.

Surviving are two sons, Thomas A. (Linda) Kraeer of Burke, Va., and David B. (Jill) Kraeer of Hickory, and two grandchildren, David T. and Lindsey L. Kraeer, both of Hickory.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 7, with Pastor Jeff Marquis officiating. Burial will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. Additional information and a guest book are online at www.nealfuneralhome.com.

She enjoyed baking and cooking for her large family and traveling with her sister. Surviving are four children, Jane (Earl) Phillis of Mt. Pleasant Township, Verne (Patricia) Doumont of Eldersville, Dale (Shirley) Doumont of Hickory and Janet (Richard) Cox of Oakdale; 10 grandchildren, William Phillis, Joseph (Paula) Phillis, Sherry (John) Mc-Givern, Judith (Tom) Bayer, Dale (Michelle) Doumont, Verne (Julie) Doumont, Lori (Butch) Shuman, Timothy Doumont, Jason (Christina) Cox and Michelle Vereb; a sister, Ida Mae Walker of Hickory; 22 great-grandchildren, Rachel, Ben and Luke Phillis, Logan, Karlyn and Evan Bayer, Melissa, Johanna and Victoria McGivern, Tanner, Eliza-Susan and Gwen Doumont, Christina, Nick and Rebecca Shuman, Jenna and Shanna Doumont, Austin Rudy, Noah, Wyatt and Gunnar Vereb; and several nieces and nephews. Deceased, in addition to her husband, are a son, Glenn H. Doumont; a grandson, Eric Cox; a great-grandson, Dillon Doumont; a brother, Harry Raab; and sisters Dora Schwab and Selena Raab. Memorial contributions may be made to Center United Presbyterian Church of Midway. Friends will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday and noon to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in Nation Funeral Home Inc., 220 East Lincoln Avenue, McDonald. Services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, June 9, in Center United Presbyterian Church. Interment will follow in Center Cemetery. The family requests memorial donations be sent to Center United Presbyterian Church, P.O. Box 563, Midway, PA 15060.

#### **CANTON TOWNSHIP**

Theft charge: William
Lawrence Strawn, whose
last-known address was 141
S. Johnson Road, Chartiers
Township, was arraigned
Thursday on a charge of
theft stemming from an
April 26 incident on
Chartiers Street, Canton.

Police said Strawn was seen loading industrial metal shelving valued at \$2,500 into his pickup truck. When confronted, he left, leaving behind his truck.

He was arraigned before District Judge David Mark and placed in Washington County Jail on \$2,500 bond. KELLEY-In loving memory of our Precious Mother and Wife on the first anniversary of her death.

Addle Kelley



It's been one year since we lost you; the worst year we've had to live. To see your smile, to hear your voice ... Oh, what we wouldn't give.

We took for granted what we had until it was suddenly taken away.

Then we realized, God only lent you to us;

No longer could you stay. Yes, it's been so sad this past year since you left us ...

Oh what we wouldn't do ... to feel your loving arms embrace us or to hear you whisper, "I love you."

We'll keep memories of you in our hearts forever, never will they fade. We'll share stories with all your friends and relatives, decade after decade.

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Be at peace, our dear Mother and
Wife at your place of eternal
rest. We know that when God
lent you to us, he lent the very
best.

Forever in our hearts, Pap, and the Kids



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Emergency officials tend to the scene of a fatal accident Saturday on Route 18 in Hanover Township.

## Rt. 18 wreck kills Slovan man

By Terri T. Johnson Staff writer

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BURGETTSTOWN – A 56-year-old Slovan man was killed on Route 18 late Saturday afternoon when his van collided with a tractor-trailer in Hanover Township.

Joseph P. Pescho of Main Street was killed n the two-vehicle accident at 4:13 p.m., about quarter-mile south of Log Cabin Road, said im Warco, Washington County coroner. Pescho was traveling alone.

The driver of the northbound tractor-trailer, who was not identified, told police he noticed Pescho's van traveling south toward Burgettstown when the van was about 100 feet away. Warco said the truck driver locked the rig's brakes after noticing the swerving van.

Pescho's van crossed the center line and collided almost head-on with the truck, causing the van to spin. It stopped in the south-bound lanes, facing north. Pescho was pronounced dead at 5:23 p.m. An autopsy is

scheduled for today. Warco said there were four occupants in the truck, including the driver. None was injured. The driver was taken to a local hospital for routine testing.

The truck was being used for training, Warco said.

Assisting Hanover Township police were Burgettstown, Midway and Smith Township police, state police, and Hanover and Burgettstown volunteer fire departments.

Route 18 was closed in both directions for more than three hours.

## Testify: Campbell subject of grand jury testimony

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They also reportedly were at Cuddy Sports Club, South

Fayette Township.

No details of the visit were available. But the *Observer-Reporter* learned that items, including vehicles, were removed from Campbell's home.

Meanwhile, the U.S. attorney recently filed a civil complaint for forfeiture of Campbell's res-

idence:

Campbell was arrested in 1986 on charges of pool selling, bookmaking and criminal conspiracy. His co-conspirators on the charges were his daughter, Theresa Harrington, and her husband at the time, Paul Harrington. Campbell collected

\$319,685 in sports and numbers bets in April 1986 and forwarded the money to the Harringtons.

The three pleaded guilty in January 1987. Campbell was placed on 5 years' state probation and fined \$20,000. Theresa Harrington was placed on probation and fined \$15,000. Paul Harrington was fined \$5,000. Each was ordered to pay restitution.

In 1998, Campbell was arrested on charges including attempted homicide and aggravated assault for allegedly shooting Paul Harrington. Those charges later were dismissed.

The federal investigation is ongoing, and other individuals are expected to be called to testify before the grand jury.

# 3 grand jury witnesses testify on Mt. Pleasant man, suspect ticket sales

McDonald man also questioned about Washington County district attorney

By LINDA METZ, Staff writer lmetz@observer-reporter.com

PITTSBURGH - Three Washington County men testified Wednesday before a federal

grand jury in Pittsburgh.

Each of the men, including Rudy Rubis of Canonsburg, were questioned in regard to Allan Richard (Mike) Campbell of Mt. Pleasant Township and the sale of alleged illegal raffle tickets.

Rubis, along with one of the other men, also from Canonsburg, refused to comment following their testimony before the grand jury. The second man declined to reveal his identity.

The last man, a resident of Mc-

Donald who did not want to identify himself, did speak briefly about his appearance before the grand jury.

He said he was questioned specifically about Campbell. However, he said federal agents previously questioned him about Washington County District Attorney John C. Pettit.

"I think they're trying to determine if there was a relationship between Campbell and Pettit,"

the man said.

It has long been known that Pettit was part of a federal investigation. Pettit also has acknowledged the investigation. He could not be reached for comment Wednesday evening.

In July, investigators went to the homes of Campbell, 121 Fort Cherry Road; Edward Lazorchak, 1000 Fawn Valley Drive, Cecil Township, and Dennis Williams, 112 Mawhinney Road, Cecil.

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## IRS quiet about local activity

By KATHIE O. WARCO, Staff writer

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Members of the Internal Rev enue Service and state police were at three residences in northern Washington County Saturday, bu investigators are mum on the reason why

Investigators were at the homes of Allan Richard (Mike) Campbell 121 Fort Cherry Road, Mt. Pleasan Township; Edward Lazorchak, 1000 Fawn Valley Drive, Cecil Township and Dennis Williams, 112 Mawhinney Road, Cecil. They also were re-portedly at the Cuddy Sports Club South Fayette Township.

"They were there on business," said Andr

said Hromoko Jr., agent and spokesman for the IRS criminal investigations office in Pittsburgh.

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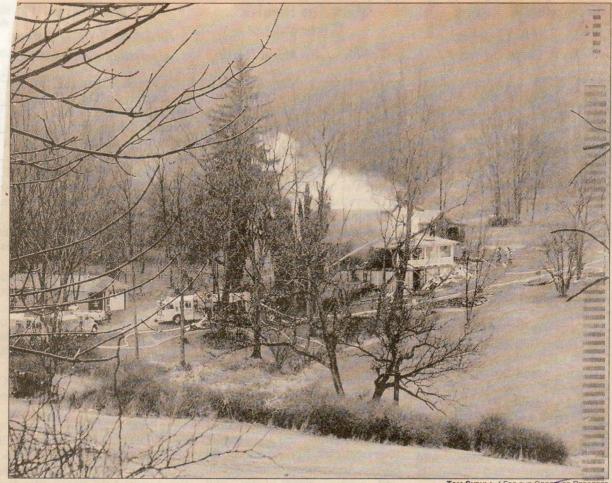
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Firefighters work to douse a house fire in Hickory Saturday.

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## Fire strikes two houses in county

Two homes, at opposite ends of Washington County, caught fire Saturday.

Fifteen fire companies were called to battle a fire at a home in Hickory. The other fire was reported at a home on Allen Avenue in Donora.

Mt. Pleasant Township fire Chief Bryan Smith said fire-fighters got a call at 8:46 a.m. to the house fire on Avella Road. Smith said the home, which was built in 1864, was gutted from flames. It had been remodeled

recently, he said.

No one was at home at the time of the fire. Smith declined to name the homeowner. He called in a state police fire marshal to determine the cause of the blaze. The home had a woodburning fireplace insert, and the fire is believed to have started in the chimney area.

Smith called other fire companies to help supply water and manpower.

At 1:47 p.m., a house fire was reported on Allen Avenue near

McCrea Avenue. Donora fire Chief Patsy Vince said all the damage was done to the basement after the homeowner, who was cleaning the basement, knocked over a flammable substance.

The homeowner, whose name was not available, suffered burns to his face and hands. He was taken to Mon Valley Hospital.

Firefighters from Carroll Township also assisted at the scene.

## Hickory carving in stone memory of 'Bud' Allison

Ceremony
will follow
Memorial Day
service

By Liza Northrop, Editor

The Record-Enterprise

Every town needs someone like Bud Allison.

Someone who willingly participates in each and all organization.

One who gives his all to any endeavor, being it renovating a former school building into a community center or greeting each patron by name as they walk into a place of business.

Willard K. "Bud" Allison Jr. left an indelible mark on his community of Hickory and now those whose lives he touched want to ensure that his memory will never be forgotten.

On Memorial Day, residents and organizations will turn out for the unveiling of a permanent monument in his honor.

"Bud made such an impact on so many people," organizer Scott McCracken said. "He meant a lot to the people here. He'd do anything for you."

Allison died in October but has left behind a legacy of community service to the town he called home.

A longtime postmaster, he was also involved in the Mt. Pleasant Township

Volunteer Fire Department, Lions Club, Old Schoolhouse Players and Hickory United Presbyterian Church.

At one time he managed little league baseball teams and helped form a Lioness club in town.

Each of these organizations and more will be on hand to deliver a tribute to the man who touched their lives in different ways.

"It was his personality," McCracken said. "He was always willing to help you out. He gave a lot of things to this community."

Duane Scott, who had been a longtime friend of Allison's, is also on the committee.

He said it is fitting that the dedication should come on Memorial Day as Allison was also a veteran.

The loss of his friend of 30 years is still felt among the community.

"I think Bud was friends with everyone," Scott said. "He was very friendly."

McCracken was friends with Allison's son. He said Allison allowed the boys to put a weight room in the basement.

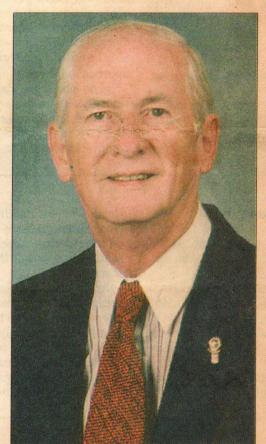
As youths, they would also visit the hardware store Allison owned in the post office building.

McCracken remembers buying a drink and a snack and hanging out in the store.

"Most people would have kicked us out," he said. "Not Bud. He just let us hang out."

The dedication ceremony will follow the 10 a.m. Memorial Day commemorative service being held at the former Hickory Elementary School building on Wabash Avenue.

Opening remarks for the Allison tribute will be given by Fred McGivern with an invocation by the Rev. Terry John-



Willard K. "Bud" Allison Jr.

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Representatives from more than 10 organizations will give their comments on what Allison meant to them.

The unveiling by Allison's widow, Betty, will be at 11 a.m. in front of the post office.

Refreshments will follow at the community center.

### MT. PLEASANT TOWNSHIP

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Driver injured: A Hickory
man was seriously injured
early Saturday when his pickup truck crashed through a
fence and into several trees
on Cherry Valley Road in Mt.
Pleasant Township.

Michael Griffith, 21, was taken by helicopter to Allegheny General Hospital in Pittsburgh with unspecified injuries, state police said. Charges are pending the re-



JIM MCNUTT/OBSERVER-REPORTER

A tractor-trailer hauling wrecked cars overturned on Route 50 in Mt. Pleasant Township Friday morning. The rig

### Rig, rental truck collide in Mt. Pleasant

The driver of a tractor-trailer was flown to Allegheny General Hospital in Pittsburgh Friday morning after his rig overturned on Route 50, striking an oncoming vehicle.

Robert Bongiorni Jr., 46, of Burgettstown, was traveling east on Route 50 approaching Hornhead Road shortly before 11 a.m. when his rig crossed the center line and began to turn on its side.

A rental truck, operated by Doug Ferrieri, address unknown, was traveling toward Bongiorni's truck and moved to the side of the road to avoid a collision, but the rig hit the truck anyway, according to Mt. Pleasant Township police Officer Dean Casciola.

Both Ferrieri and his passenger, David Heider of Canonsburg, were taken to Canonsburg General Hospital for treatment Both Ferrieri and Heider were released from the hospital. Bongiorni was in stable condition Friday night.

Police closed Route 50 between Southview and Hornhead roads shortly after the accident. At 4:30 p.m., crews still were working to clear wreckage from the scene, Casciola said.

Bongiorni was hauling wrecked cars from Bongiorni Auto Wrecking.



### Gerald G. Caldwell

Hickory dairy farmer was head mechanic



Gerald G. (Jerry) Caldwell, 76, of Hickory, died unexpectedly Monday, March 13, 2006.

He was born July 29, 1929, in

Avella, a son of John M. and Helen Stewart Caldwell.

Mr. Caldwell attended Hickory High School. He was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church, where he was former elder and longtime member of the choir. He formerly was a member of East Buffalo Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Caldwell was a dairy farmer in Hickory until 1966. From 1966 to 1970, he worked for Pasco Ford Equipment of Washington and Oakdale, and from 1970 until his retirement in 1991, he was head mechanic for Peters Township School District.

He was a board member of Mt. Prospect Cemetery Association, a former member of Taylorstown Volunteer Fire Department and a 30-year member of Mt. Pleasant Township Volunteer Fire De-

partment.

He enjoyed singing and was a member of Washington Festival Chorale, Washington Community Theater, Avella Aires and Oglebay Summer Theater Group.

Mr. Caldwell was a founding member of Washington/Greene County Antique Tractor Association. He loved using his antique equipment to plow and mow for people in the community.

On June 6, 1952, in the former Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church, he married Carol Cow-

den, who survives.

Also surviving are three daugh

### Mary J. Kelley

First female taxi driver in Washington area



Mary J. Kelley, 67, of Washington, formerly of Colorado Springs, Colo., died Tuesday, Novémber 16, 2004, in Washington Hos-

pital, following a lengthy illness.

She was born November 13, 1937, in Washington, a daughter of Dorwin and Ada Margaret Lafferty Roberts.

Mrs. Kelley was a graduate of Claysville High School and was a member of Immaculate Conception Church in Washington.

Prior to returning to Washington, she lived 30 years in Colorado Springs and had worked as a professional limousine driver for Grey Line Tours. While in Colorado, she had been a volunteer for various non-profit organizations. She enjoyed genealogy and quilting, was a member of Daughters of the American Revolution, National Pike Chapter, and American Legion Post 175 Ladies Auxiliary. In Washington, she was known for years as having been the first female taxi driver.

On March 17, 1954, she married James F. Kelley, who survives. Also surviving are four daughters, Peggy L. Kelley of Security, Colo., Cheryl A. Kelley of Colorado Springs and Donna L. Rogan Kelley and Mary J. Miller Kelley, both of Washington; a sister, Bonnie S. Gallegos of Boise, Idaho; six grandchildren, Mary Mosely, Jeremy Moore, James W. and Karen L. Havener, Shannon Sandoval and Shaun P. Rogan; and six greatgrandchildren.

Deceased are a grandson, John F. Rogan II; and a brother, George A. Jackson.

Friends will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Friday, November 19, in Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church. Interment will follow in Claysville Cemetery. Additional information and guestbook are available online at www.Neal-FuneralHome.com.

Also surviving are three daughters, Dawn McElhaney (Michael) of West Virginia, Ruth Caldwell-Petrisko (Sean) of Duguesne and Diane Flynn (Shawn) of Canonsburg; five grandchildren, David W., Joshua A. and Bethany Dawn Knicely, all at home, and Benjamin and Rachel McElhaney of West Virginia; one great granddaughter, Sydney Lee Knicely; three sisters, Marjorie Curran (Connie) of Hickory, Barbara Fasnacht of Washington and Shirley Fryer (William) of Enon Valley; two brothers, John T. Caldwell (Elaine) of Hickory and Donald S. Caldwell of Hollywood, Calif.: and many nieces and nephews. Deceased are a son, Bradley L.

Deceased are a son, Bradley L. Caldwell, who died in infancy; and a daughter, Deenya Knicely Hallo, who died in 1998.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday and Friday in McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., 27 Cherry Avenue, Houston, and from 10 to 11 a.m., the time of service, Saturday, March 18, in Hickory United Presbyterian Church. Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery. The family suggests memorial contributions to Hickory United Presbyterian Church Choir. Please view or add tributes at www.mcilvaine-speakmanfuneralhome.com.

### Simpson - Bitz

James Bitz of Meadow Lands and Bonnie Bitz of Claysville announce the engagement of their daughter, Erin Elizabeth Bitz of New Albany, Ohio, to Matthew David Simpson, also of New Albany, son of David Simpson of McMurray and Darlene Simpson of Washington.

The future bride's grandparents are Betty McCarrell of Hickory and the late Basil McCracken, Martha Seybert of Meadow Lands and the late Anthony Bitz.

Matthew's grandparents are Lois Barlow of Washington and the late John Barlow and the late Richard and Ruth Simpson.

Erin is a 2000 graduate of McGuffey High School and a 2004 graduate of Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y. She works as an allocator at Abercrombie & Fitch Na-



tional Headquarters in Columbus.

Her fiance is a 1999 graduate of McGuffey High School and a 2003 graduate of Carnegie-Mellon University, Pittsburgh, where he was a member of Beta Theta Pi Fraternity. He is employed by J.P. Morgan Chase as an operations supervisor.

Wedding plans are being made for June 24, 2005.

### Ruffalo - Spencer

William and Kimberley Spencer of Avella announce the engagement of their daughter, Kara Anne, to Raymond Joseph Ruffalo III, son of Raymond Jr. and Linda Ruffalo of Avella.

Kara's grandparents are Harold Purdy and Barbara Purdy, the late Robert Spencer, Edward Schmidt and the late Nancy Schmidt. The future groom's grandparents are the late Raymond Sr. and Ruth Ruffalo and the late Herman and Francis Russel.

The bride-to-be is a 2001 graduate of Avella Junior/Senior High School and a 2005 dean's list graduate of Washington & Jefferson College, where she was a child development and education major. She



is employed by XpressBet and is a substitute teacher.

Raymond is a 2003 raduate of Avella Junior/Se or High School and attends ty College of All & y County. He is employed Street.

A December 16 wedding is planned.

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### Clemens-Kowcheck

St. Michael Church, Avella, was the site for the wedding ceremony of Danielle Kowcheck and Patrick Clemens, who were married 2 p.m. September 20, 2003, with the Rev. Pierre G. Sodini officiating.

Parents of the bride are Hugh and Esther Kowcheck of Avella. Her grandparents are the late Pete and Nellie Kowcheck and the late Lester and Virginia

Sphar.

The bridegroom's parents are Jack Clemens of Rochester and Regina Clemens of Avella. His grandparents are Mary Walters of Hickory and the late Paul Walters, Rose Cilia of Avella and the late Marino Cilia.

The bride was given in mar-

riage by her father.

Maid of honor was Megan Miller of Castle Shannon. Bridesmaids were Theresa Kowcheck of Wellsburg, W.Va., sister-in-law of the bride, Holly Cline of Seattle, Wash., Denise Uchal of Canonsburg and Kelly Clemens of Koppel, sister of the groom. Flower girls were Karleigh Kowcheck, niece of the bride, and Haleigh Clemens, daughter of the groom. Best man was Jack Clemens of Rochester, father of the groom. Groomsmen were Mark Kowcheck of Wellsburg, W.Va., brother of the bride,



Mark Brautigam of Washington, Neal Mehrenberg of Pittsburgh and Phil Rimoldi of Koppel.

A reception was held at Pepsi-Cola Roadhouse, Bur-

gettstown.

The new Mrs. Clemens is a 1994 graduate of Avella Area High School and a 1996 graduate of Penn Commercial, with an associate's degree in medical office administration.

She is employed by Chambers Insurance, Washington, as a bookkeeper/customer service

representative.

Her husband is a 1994 graduate of Avella Area High School and a Western Area Career and Technology, in masonry. He is a Union Brick layer at Marsa Masonry, Pittsburgh.

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### Principal, teacher wed



GREG TARR/OBSERVER-REPORTER

St. Patrick School principal Stanley Mozina walks out of his wedding ceremony with his new bride, third-grade teacher Standards, as their students blow bubbles at them Saturday in Canonsburg. All students, their families and faculty were invited to attend the ceremony at St. Patrick Church, Canonsburg.





### Brager - 50 years

John and Mary Brager of Avella celebrated their golden wedding anniversary with a surprise dinner party hosted by their children and grandchildren at West Middletown fire hall on December 11.

The couple were married December 13, 1954, in Cumberland, Md.

Their children are Sandra Pirillo and Mary Petka, both of Avella, James Brager of Midway, Terri Milvet and Sherri Lowe, both of Avella and the late John Michael Brager.

They have 17 grandchildren, Mellisa Ansel, JoAnn and John Pirillo, Jessica Petka, Amber Simons, Eric, Elliot, Aaron and Danielle Eakin, Angela Davidson, Ryan Gaskin, Jade and Mikey Milvet, Samantha and Megan Riggs and Zachary Lowe, and eight great-grandchildren.

Mr. Brager retired from Molycorp and also was a machinist in Hawaii during World War II. He is a lifelong member of S.N.P.J. Slovan.

Mrs. Brager is retired from Washington County Health Center.





### Dallmeyer - 60 years

James and Bettie Dallmeyer of Washington will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary.

The couple were married March 15, 1944, in Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church, Hickory, with the Rev. C.S. Thomas officiating.

Their children are Linda Hutchison of New Brunswick, N.J., Lois Nesbitt of Murraysville and Leah Lewis of Sissonville, W.Va.

Sarah Hutchison, Robyn and Bonnie Nesbitt, Annie, Allison and Andrea Lewis. A grandson, Benjamin Nesbitt, is deceased.

Mr. Dallmeyer spent 19 months

overseas in the U.S. Air Force communications system during World War II and retired from the Teamsters after 37 years of service.

Mrs. Dallmeyer retired after 24 years as a school nurse in the Fort Cherry School District.

After retiring in 1983, Mr. and Mrs. Dallmeyer traveled extensively for 19 years in their RV throughout the United States, Canada and Mexico, and made several trips overseas.

Mr. and Mrs. Dallmeyer are active members of Hickory United Presbyterian Church and are members of Hickory High School Class of 1939.





### Warner - 50 years

Richard and Nancy Warner of Cherry Valley will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary with a dinner hosted by their children at Breezy Heights in Avella.

The couple were married August 22, 1953, in Harrietsville,

They have eight children,
Christine Welch of Buffalo,
Texas, Jeff Warner of Cross
Creek, Jeannette Richardson of
Imperial, Brenda Blanchard of
Bulger, Linda Warner of
handler, Ariz., Polly Skarupa of
erry Valley, Rachel Warner
osser of Cross Creek and
icia Butts of Langeloth.

Their 18 grandchildren are Richard, Gregory, Tanya and Margaret Welch; Jeffrey and Jamie Warner; Scott and Eric Richardson; Kevin, David, Brian and Steven Blanchard; Garett, Brett and Jessie Skarupa; Katelyn and Corey Blosser; and Brenna Butts. They also have two great-granddaughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Warner own
Warner's Meats and Groceries in
Cherry Valley, which they have
operated for more than 30 years.
They are members of St. Ann's
Roman Catholic Church in
Bulger.

### Clemens – Kowcheck

Hugh and Esther Kowcheck of Avella announce the engagement of their daughter, Danielle Raehel Kowcheck, to Patrick Jacob Clemens of Washington, son of Jack Clemens of Rochester and Regina Clemens of Avella.

Danielle is the granddaughter of the late Lester and Virginia Sphar and the late Peter and Nellie Kowcheck.

Patrick is the grandson of Rose Cilia of Avella, the late Marino Cilia, Mary Walters of Hickory and the late Paul Walters.

graduate of Avella High School and a 1996 graduate of Penn Commercial, Washington, where she earned an associate degree in medical office administration. She is a bookkeeper and customer service representative



at Chambers Insurance Agency in Washington.

The future groom graduated in 1994 from Avella High School and Western Area Vocational-Technical School, Houston, where he studied masonry. He is a bricklayer with Union Local 9 and is employed by Marsa Masonry of Pittsburgh.

A September 20 wedding is planned.

### Kumer - 50 years

John and Donna Kumer of Hickory celebrated their golden wedding anniversary June 5 with a surprise party given by their family and friends at the home of their daughter, Terri.

The couple were married June 5, 1954, in St. Patrick Church, Canonsburg, with the Rev. Paul J. Simko conducting the ceremony.

They have four children, Cindy Poland, Ralph Kumer and Terri McGinnis, all of Washington, and Greg Kumer of Hickory.

Their grandchildren are Thomesina Sonson, Jennifer and Timmy Reedy, Carly and Richie



McGinnis and Gregory, Laken and Joshua Kumer.

Mr. Kumer is retired from Bailey Mine.

Mrs. Kumer is a homemaker and enjoys playing bingo.

### Mayle - Bezusko

Announcement is made of the engagement of Stacey L. Bezusko of State College, daughter of Charles Bezusko Jr. and Tammy Bezusko and Pam and Jim Nafziger of Hickory, to David C. Mayle Jr. of Royal Palm Beach, Fla., son of David Mayle Sr. and Sharon Mayle of Cecil.

Stacey is the granddaughter of Charles Bezusko Sr. and Vera Bezusko and Jöylene Markish of Hickory. She is a 1998 graduate of Fort Cherry High School and is a student at Penn State University, where she is pursuing a bachelor's degree in economics.

David is a 1993 graduate of



Canon-McMillan High School and is a golf professional at Polo Trace Golf Course in Delray Beach. Fla.

Wedding plans are incomplete.

# Thomas - Goughenour

Kelly Goughenour and Sean Thomas were married at St. Benedict The Abbot Church, McMurray, at 3:30 p.m. on August 12, 2000, with the Rev. Philip Donatelli officiating.

Parents of the bride are Edwin and Margaret Goughenour of Eighty Four, and parents of the bridegroom are Catherine Thomas of Venetia and Robert

Thomas.

The bride was given in marriage by her father.

Matrons of honor were Julie Zurick of Barnesville, Ohio, and Brenda Rohaley of Washington. Bridesmaids were Bethany Goughenour of Mechanicsburg, niece of the bride, and Michelle Zullo of Washington. Junior bridesmaid was Cara Goughenour of Drums, niece of the bride.

Robert Stormer of Bridgeville was best man. Ushers were John Dunbar of Bethel Park, brotherin-law of the groom, Dan Thomas of Pittsburgh, brother of the groom, and Greg Ramsey of South Park. Junior usher was



John Dunbar Jr. of Bethel Park, nephew of the groom.

A reception was held at the American Legion in Washington.

The new Mrs. Thomas is a graduate of Bentworth High School and Washington & Jefferson College. She is a controller at Box USA.

Mr. Thomas is a graduate of Peters Township High School and Penn State University. He is also employed by Box USA.

The couple took a honeymoon trip to Cancun, Mexico, and are residing in Canonsburg.



# Brager - 45 years

John and Mary Brager of Avella celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary with a family dinner.

They were married December

13, 1954, in Maryland.

Their children are Sandy Pirillo, Mary Petka, Terri Milvet and Sherri Lowe, all of Avella, James Brager of Midway, and the late John Brager.

Their grandchildren are
Melissa, JoAnn and Johnny
Pirillo; Jessica and Amber Petka;
Ryan and Angie Gaskin; Jade and
Mikey Milvet; Megan and
Samantha Riggs; and Zackary
Lowe. They also have three greatgrandchildren.

Mr. Brager is retired from Molycorp, Washington, and Mrs. Brager is retired from the Washington Health Center.



# McElhaney - 25 years

Ken and Nancy McElhaney of Southview celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on August 10. They were married 25 years ago by the Rev. John M. Scott at the manse of the North Buffalo Church.

They are the parents of Ken McElhaney III of Belleville, Ill., and Kasie and Sam, both at home. They have two grandchildren.

Mr. McElhaney is a mechanic for Lang Construction Co. of Carnegie. Mrs. McElhaney is a post master at Southview Post Office.

The couple celebrated the occassion with a trip to Niagara Falls, Canada.

#### Brooks - Brezinski

Lori Brezinski and Rodney E. Brooks were married at 4 p.m. on June 5, 1999, in Mt. Lebanon United Methodist Church with the Rev. Joel S. Garrett officiating.

Parents of the bride are Charles J. and Karen Brezinski of Washington. Parents of the bridegroom are Willis and Betty Lou Brook of McMurray.

Lori is the granddaughter of Helen Brezinski and Edna Lee Miller, both of Washington. Rodney is the grandson of Oscar and Mabel Brooks of Connellsville.

The bride was given in marriage by her father.

Matron of honor was Lisa
Brooks of McMurray, sister-in-law
of the groom, and maid of honor
was Erin Brezinski of
Washington, sister of the bride.
Bridesmaids were Heidi Brezinski
of Hampton, Va., cousin of the
bride; Lisa Usouski of Pittsburgh;
Lisa Kline of Pittsburgh; and Leah
Brooks of McMurray, niece of the
groom.

Will Brooks of McMurray, brother of the groom, was best man. Groomsmen were Scott Basinger of Connellsville; Jeff Brodnick of Pittsburgh; Lou Brooks of Connellsville, cousin of the groom; Ray Rossi of Scenery Hill; and Jason Babeji of Washington, cousin of the bride.



Flower girl was Savannah Brooks, niece of the groom, and the ring bearer was Cody Rossi.

A reception was held at Fort Cherry Golf Club.

The new Mrs. Brooks is a 1989 graduate of Chartiers-Houston High School and a 1991 graduate of Median School of Allied Health. She is a dental assistant for Dr. Thomas S. DeSantis, Pittsburgh.

Her husband is a 1983 graduate of Connellsville High School and a 1987 graduate of the University of Pittsburgh, where he majored in mechanical engineering. He is an engineering manager at FPD Co., McMurray.

The newlyweds took a honeymoon trip to Bermuda and make their home in McMurray.

# Southview postmaster hopes to land new location

#### BY JUDY CHESTNUTT

THE OBSERVER-REPORTER judyc@observer-reporter.com

SOUTHVIEW – Even if it was shipped by express delivery, a new post office in Southview couldn't come fast enough for

Nancy McElhaney.

As postmaster in the Mt. Pleasant Township community, McElhaney works in a 3-foot by 8-foot space. As technology has progressed, the equipment that postal employees use has increased in size, taking up much

of the space in the living room area of the former house that was converted to the post of-

To alleviate the problem, the U.S. Postal Service is looking for land in Southview to build a 1,000-square-foot building and a parking lot for a new post office. Donna R. McDonald, acting facilities specialist with the postal service, said advertisements seeking landowners willing to sell should be out by

next month.

"It's an outdated building, just like Hendersonville." McDonald said. "There's no

handicap accessibility, no restroom facilities.
The conditions are too small to work in."

The Postal Service is also looking for land in Hendersonville to build a new post office there as well.

Services offered through the post office have changed through the years, which helped to spark the need for new post offices,

McDonald said.

"We're more of a retail operation now," she said. "We do a lot more than just getting

people their mail."

The one-story building should be fin-

ished by midsummer, and is on the list of the Postal Service's priority projects in Southwestern Pennsylvania for the fiscal year that ends September 2001. The Hendersonville

Post Office is also on the list.

McElhaney said it took about five years for the Southview Post Office to rank on the list.

"The building they are going to build will be identical to the post office in Richeyville," McElhaney said. "It will accommodate us very nicely."



# Campbell - 100 years

Marcella M. Campbell of 163 McConnell Road, Canonsburg, will celebrate her 100th birthday with an open house from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, August 14, at Venice Presbyterian Church.

She was born August 13, 1899, in Pittsburgh, and was married to George E. Campbell. Mr. Campbell is deceased.

Her children are Allan R.
Campbell of McDonald and Kay
L. Moore of Canonsburg and the
late George E. Campbell Jr.,
Edna Mae Tournay and Mary C.
Kendzlic.

Her grandchildren are
Thomas E. Kendzlic, L.
Benjamin McGinnis, Vicki
Daddario, Juanita Russell,
Cheryl Owens, Theresa
Harrington, Rick Moore, George
Campbell, Lori Cook, Gregory
Tournay and the late Yvonne
Tournay. She also has 18 greatgrandchildren, two deceased
great-grandchildren and three
great-great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Campbell enjoys
quilting, raising flowers,
feeding the birds, playing
hymns on her organ and
sending greeting cards for every
occasion. She was chaplain in
the grange, deacon at Venice
Presbyterian Church, where she
was also the secretary of Sunday
School, and a volunteer for
Meals-On-Wheels. Mrs.
Campbell used to bake for a
living after her husband died,
making homemade bread, pies,
donuts and dinner rolls.



## Carter - 93 years

Ellen Carter celebrated her 93rd birthday with a family dinner.

She was born June 29, 1906, in Hickory, where she has resided all her life.

She was a teacher, substitute teacher and homemaker. She is a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church, where she also taught Sunday School for many years.

Her children are Lois Anne Risser of Lancaster, and Alvin M. "Mac," T. Lee and Jay Carter, all of Hickory. She also has six grandchildren and seven greatgrandchildren.



### Walters - Lewis

Charles P. Walters and Laurie A. Oblik, both of Washington, announce the engagement of their son, Sean Richard Walters, to Christine Anne Lewis, daughter of William and Deborah Lewis of Martins Ferry, Ohio.

Sean is the grandson of Mary Walters of Hickory, and Christine is the granddaughter of Dana and Mary Kahle of Wheeling, W.Va.

The bride-to-be is a 1996 graduate of Linsly High School and is attending Washington and Jefferson College.

Sean is a 1993 graduate of Trinity High School and a 1998 graduate of Waynesburg College with a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. He is a case enforcement officer for Washington County Domestic

Relations. A July 1, 2000, wedding is

planned.





## Allen - 50 years

Ted and Peg Allen of Canonsburg, formerly of Hickory, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary with a family river cruise in Marietta, Ohio.

The couple were married August 10, 1952, in Washington.

Their children are Doug Allen, Cindy Semack and Gary Allen.

They have two grandchildren, Justine Semack and Scott Allen, and two great-grandchildren.

Mr. Allen is retired from Columbia Gas Co., and Mrs. Allen is a homemaker.



## Thomas - Goughenour

**Edwin and Margaret** Goughenour of Eighty Four announce the engagement of their daughter, Kelly Goughenour of Canonsburg, to Sean R. Thomas of Venetia, son of Robert Thomas of Washington and Catherine Thomas of Venetia.

Kelly, an accounting supervisor at Box USA, is a graduate of Bentworth High School and is attending Washington and Jefferson College.

Sean, also employed by Box USA, is a graduate of Peters Township High School and Pennsylvania State University.

An Aug. 12, 2000, wedding is

planned.

#### Wurtzer - Taufer

Jeanne Marie Taufer and Bradley John Wurtzer were married at 3 p.m. March 28, 1998, at Immaculate Conception Church of Washington with the Rev. David D. Dewitt officiating.

Parents of the bride are Ronald Taufer of Meadow Lands and Mary Taufer of Washington. Jeanne is the granddaughter of Mary Steinhart of Carnegie.

Parents of the bridegroom are John and Kathy Wurtzer of Washington and Barbara and Dick Moninger of Washington. Brad is the grandson of Alex Nagy of Hickory.

The bride was given in marriage by her father.

Matron of honor was Dena
Taufer of Washington, sister-inlaw of the bride. Bridesmaids
were Stephanie Holtschneider of
Manassas, Va.; Krista Miller of
Bensalem, sister of the groom;
Lisa Allen of Washington; Carrie
Lutz of Orlando, Fla.; Autumn
Cibrone of McMurray; and Kim
Hanna of Washington, sister of the
groom.

Best man was Dave Dobbin of Wash an Groomsmen were Bill Taufer of Washington, brother of the bride; Eric Miller of Bensalem, brother-in-law of the groom; Richard Mason of Pittsburgh; Terry Wright of Washington; Jerrick Caldwell of Westland; and Joe Hanna of Washington, brother-in-law of the groom.

Flower girls were Katie and



Kelly Wurtzer of Washington, sisters of the groom; Kalynn Hanna of Washington, niece of the groom; and Alyssa Miller of Bensalem, niece of the groom.

Ring bearer was Mitchell Taufer of Washington, nephew of the bride.

A reception was held at Holy Trinity Activity Hall in Washington.

Jeanne is a 1989 graduate of Immaculate Conception High School and is a local service consultant for MCI

Telecommunications INc.

Brad is a 1985 graduate of Fort Cherry High School and has received a journeyman's certificate from Allegheny Community College. He is a member of the carpenter's local union 541 in Washington.

The couple spent their honeymoon in Jamaica and reside in Houston.

#### George W. Meneely

# World War II veteran formerly of Hickory

George W. Meneely, 81, formerly of Hickory, died Sunday, July 16, 1995, in Mercy Providence Hospital, Pittsburgh.

He was born November 29, 1913, in Independence, a son of John and

Mable Mae Rickie Meneely.

Mr. Meneely was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church.

He was a veteran of World War II, having served in the U.S. Army in the Pacific.

Prior to his service in the Army, Mr. Meneely worked for Allison Hardware in Hickory. Following World War II, he worked for 36 years for Fort Pitt Bridge Works, Canonsburg, and then at Hickory Auction.

On October 6, 1961, he married Ethel Loman, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Richard D. Booth and Linden R. Booth, both of Washington, and Danny P. Booth of Richmond, Va.; and eight grandchildren.



#### David A. Markish

Retired employeee of PGT Trucking Co.

David A. Markish, 64, of Burgettstown, formerly of Hickory, died Sunday, October 6, 1996, in his home.

He was born March 23, 1932, in Hickory, a son of Elizabeth Farner Markish of Hickory and the late John Markish.

Mr. Markish served with the U.S. Navy during the Korean War.

He was a retired employee of PGT Trucking and had served as a deputy game warden for many years.

He was a member of American Legion Post 698 and VFW Post 6955, both of Burgettstown.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are three brothers, John Markish of York, Tom Markish of Bulger and Samuel Markish of Cherry Valley; a sister, Mary Carlise of St. Petersburg, Fla.; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased is a brother, James Markish

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## Marion R. Foflygen

Retired from B.F. Drakenfeld after 26 years

Marion Richard Foflygen, 68, of Wilson Street, Washington, died at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, September 18, 1994.

Born May 1, 1926, in Washington, he was the son of John Jacob and Flora Anne Hartley Foflygen.

Mr. Foflygen had been employed by B.F. Drakenfeld for 26 years, retiring December 1, 1986. He also owned and operated Safeway Pest Control Co.

He was a member of the Allison Avenue Baptist Church and the National Lodge 81 Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Mr. Foflygen attended the Washington Schools and was a member of the Jessop Employees Club.

On April 11, 1947, he married Faye Louise Reese, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Robert Eugene Foflygen and James Kenneth Foflygen, both of Washington; a daughter, Donna Louise Harrison of Washington; two brothers, Wayne of Atlasburg and Jack of Hickory; and a grandson, Robert Daniel Foflygen.

A brother, William Kenneth Foflygen, is deceased.

# Joseph Thomas Stanish

Worked for J&L Steel Co.

Joseph Thomas Stanish, 57, of Long Beach, Calif., died Wednesday, August 10, 1994, in California.

He was born October 28, 1936, in Cherry Valley, a son of Dora Bertovitch Stanish of Cherry Valley and the late Walter Stanish.

Mr. Stanish was formerly employed by J&L Steel Co. in Aliquippa until 12 years ago, when he went to California to start his own cleaning and painting business.

Surviving are his wife, Sandy Heinz Stanish; two daughters, Dora Lyle of Midway and Ann Garry of McDonald; a son, Joseph Stanish of Virginia; a sister, Ann Louise Simmons of Monaca; and a brother, Phil Stanish of Washington.

A brother, Walter Stanish, is deceased.

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#### Grace L. Cowden

Grace L. Cowden of Washington died Aug. 21, 1996, in Washington Medical Center, Washington. She was 88.

Born May 10, 1908, in Hickory, she was the daughter of August W. and Adella Kreps Schafer.

She was a retired cook at Monterrey Restaurant in

Washington.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Dorothy Cowden Murray.

She is survived by a daughter, Doris Cowden McGraw of Washington County; two sons, H. Wayne and Richard, both of Washington County; 13 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren.

Friends were received Aug. 22 in Thomas-Little Funeral Home, McDonald. Services were held Aug. 23 in the funeral home. Interment was in Mt. Prospect Cemetery,

#### Walter I. Carter Jr.

Retired mechanic worked for Montour No. 4 Mine

Water I. Carter Jr., 68, of McDonald R.D.3, died Wednesday, October 20, 1993, in Leader Warsing and Rehabilitation Conter, McMurray.

He was born June 11, 1925, in Castonville, a son of Walter and The ma McClure Carter.

Mr. Carter was a member of Venice Presbyterian Church.

He was employed as a mechanic Montour No. 4 Mine in Lawrence until his retirement in Montour Montour Mine Workers union Local 1198.

His wife, Irene V. Moore Carter, survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Frank (Linda) Wozniak of McDonald R.D.3: two sons. Raymond I. Carter of McDonald R.D.3 and John K. Carter of Washington R.D.1; six grandchildren, Gregory, Philip, Alison, Damian and Sara Carter, and Ashley Wozniak; five sisters, Mrs. Richard (Dorotha) Carothers of McDonald R.D.3, Mrs. John (Mary Lou) Gareis of Prosperity, Patricia Guta of Stockbridge, Ga., Mrs. Carl (Lorena) Brigich of Hickory R.D.1 and Mrs. Paul (Sandra) Kolarosky of McMurray; and five brothers, Milton Carter and Gene Carter, both of McDonald R.D.3, Larry Carter of Southview, Gerald Carter of Canonsburg and Donaldson Carter of Cecil.

Deceased are a son, Bruce A. Carter; and two sisters, Thelma Zimmerman and Ruby Mae Carter.

#### **Mildred Elder Errett**

### Longtime member of Hickory Presbyterian Church

Mildred Elder Errett, 93, of Dunnellon, Fla., died Friday, February 16, 2007, in Monticello, Ga.

Mrs. Errett was born in Gillespie.

She was a 1936 graduate of Waynesburg College.

She was a longtime member of Hickory Presbyterian Church and a first-grade teacher at Hickory Elementary School.

Surviving are her children, Donna Errett of Madison, Ind., David Errett of Hickory, Richard Errett of Dunnellon, Daniel Errett of Lancaster and Dianne Jackson of McDonough, Ga.; 12 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Sattirday, March 10, in Hickory Presbyterian Church. The family will receive friends at a reception following

the service.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to Covenant Childrens Home, 1060 Withlacoochee Trail, Dunnellon, FL 34434. Haisten Funeral Home, McDonough. (770-914-8833/www.haistenfunerals.com)

## **John Frederick Grose**

Mt. Pleasant fire company member owned Grose Market



John Frederick Grose, 69, of Hickory, died at 4:14 p.m. Wednesday, March 21, 2007, in Canonsburg General Hospi-

tal.

He was born August 24, 1937, in Washington, a son of Walter R. and Lois J. Alexander Grose.

Mr. Grose was a 1956 graduate of Claysville High School.

He was the owner/operator of Grose Market in West Washington and Hickory for 45 years.

He was an avid fisherman and enjoyed clowning and playing Santa Claus.

An active member of the com-

An active member of the community, he was a member of Old School House Players, Avery Methodist Church in Washington, and a life member of Mt. Pleasant Township Volunteer Fire Company.

On November 28, 1957, he married Kay Miller, who sur-

vives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Tracy R. (Don) Hamm of Frederick, Md., and Paige Grose (David) Sisk of Las Vegas, Nev.; two brothers, Reginald (Roma) Grose of Hickory and David (Judy) Grose of Cincinnati, Ohio; two sisters, Carol J. (David) Reutschi and Ruth Raber, both of Taylorstown; a grandchild, Nathan Alexander Hamm; and

many nieces and nephews.
Friends will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, March 26, with the Rev. Neal K. Rogers officiating. Burial will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. Memorial contributions may be made to Mt. Pleasant Volunteer Fire Department, 106 Main Street, Hickory, PA 15340, or Old School House Players, Wabash Avenue, Hickory, PA 15340. Mt. Pleasant Township Volunteer Fire Department will hold a memorial service at 7:30 p.m. Saturday in the funeral home.

Additional information and guest book are online at www.NealFuneralHome.com.

aggs Jr.

# Worked for McGraw-Edison and GG&C Bus Co.



Jess J. "Bud"
Briggs Jr., 92, of
Washington
died Wednesday, October 18,
2006, in HCR
ManorCare,
McMurray, fol-

lowing a lengthy illness.

He was born March 15, 1914, in Washington, a son of Jess J. Briggs Sr. and Myrtle Howard Briggs.

He was an annealer for Mc-Graw-Edison for more than 27 years. He also worked for Pittsburgh Railroad and GG&C Bus

Co.

He was active in the Knights of Pythias 204 and was a past Grand Chancellor, past Grand Secretary and Knight of the Golden Spur. He also served the Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassen and did ritualistic work nationally as the Royal Prince.

On April 7, 1937, he married his wife of 69 years, Gladys El-

lis, who survives.

Also surviving are a brother, Chuck Briggs of Washington; two sisters, Fern Lambert of Washington and Eva Riding of Windsor Lock, Conn.; and a grandson, John W. Briggs and wife Kay of Washington.

Deceased are a daughter, Deanna Lee Briggs, who died in 1993, and a sister, Mary Jones.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in Hummell and Barnhill Funeral Home Inc., now located at 420 Locust Avenue, Washington (724-225-7710), where services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday, October 21, with the Rev. G. Duane Wolfe officiating. Burial will follow in Washington Cemetery.

# voman stabbed to death



State Police Trooper Larry Maggi examines a screen ajar in a basement window at the Fridley home, while Lt. Daniel Wuerst, left, and Trooper Patrick Leary look on.

# Woman's death ruled a suicide

BURGETTSTOWN — A Hickory R.D.1 woman drowned Friday afternoon when she drove her car into Cherry Valley Dam, Smith Township.

Gladys E. Miller, 70, was pronounced dead at the scene by Washington County Coroner Farrell Jackson.

The death has been ruled a suicide, Jackson said.

Miss Miller, a retired librarian who had been employed by the Bentworth School District, reportedly had been ill and depressed recently, according to the coroner. Her car, which was almost submerged, was spotted by Henry D. Flon of Hickory R.D.1. It had been driven into the water about 35 feet from the shore, Jackson said.

Flon may have been at the dam to fish, the coroner said.

Miss Miller's brother, James C. Miller of McDonald R. D.4, had contacted state police Friday because he hadn't been able to reach his sister at home. Jackson said.

In addition to James Miller, Miss Miller is survived by a second brother, W. Edwin Miller, also of McDonald R.D.4, six nieces and one nephew. +

In Loving Memory of SPC. Joseph P. Bongiorni III January 30, 1971 February 25, 1991

#### PRAYER

May the angels lead you into Paradise, may the Martyrs receive you at your coming, and take you to Jerusalem, the holy city. May the choirs of the Angels receive you, and may you with the once poor Lazarus, have rest everlasting.

Amen.

#### (Roman Ritual)

May the Souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

## Nancy L. Criquellion

President of Panhandle Democratic Women's Club

Nancy L. Criquellion, 55, of Westland Road, Hickory, died uexpectedly Friday, March 24, 1995, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born April 4, 1939, in Primrose, a daughter of the late Isador and Emma Lewis Gilbert.

Mrs. Criquellion retired in 1984 from the Washington County controller and personnel offices, where she had been employed for 26½ years.

She was a member of Chartiers Chapter 97 Order of Eastern Star of Canonsburg and was a former member of McDonald Chapter 119 Order of Eastern Star.

She also was an associate member of Anzio Beachhead Veterans.

Mrs. Criquellion was president of Panhandle Democratic Women's Club and treasurer of the Washington County Democratic Committee.

She was a 1957 graduate of Hickory High School.

Prior to her marriage, she lived for many years in Primrose with Louise G. Gilbert and the late Harry W. Gilbert Sr.

On July 7, 1972, she married Robert Criquellion, who survives.

Surviving, in addition to her husband, are three brothers, Arch Gilbert of Midland, Harry Gilbert of Aliquippa and John Gilbert of Arlington, Texas; and four sisters, Florence Blakley of Clinton, Md., Rachel Hicks of Delaware, Carolyn Schroeffel of Hankey Farms, Oakdale, and Joyce Sacco of Midway.

Deceased are a brother, Buddy Gilbert; and two sisters, Ida Damns and Margaret Babbs.

#### CRIQUELLION - Friends of Nancy L. Criquellion of Westland Road, Hickory. who died Friday, March 24, 1995, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday and Monday in McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., 27 Cherry Avenue, Houston, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, March 28, with Pastor William Dodds officiating. Interment in Oak Springs Cemetery, Canonsburg.

#### NAGY - Friends of Anna R. Nagy of Westland Road, Hickory, who died Sunday, December 8, 1996, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in the McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., 27 Cherry Avenue, Houston, where services will be

held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, December 11. with the Rev. Michael Mazer officiating. Interment in Mount Prospect Cemetery, Hick-

ory.

#### Harry L. Frye Sr.

Harry Leman Frye Sr. of East Pike Street, Houston, died Aug. 21, 1996, in Washington Hospital. He was 70.

Born Nov. 29, 1925, in Mt.
Pleasant Township, he was the son
of Albert Floyd and Sarah Viola
Sloup Frye.

He was a member of South

Canonsburg Church.

He had worked as maintenance supervisor for Canonsburg-Houston Joint Sewer Authority, retiring in 1987.

He was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II and was a member of American Legion Post 902, Houston, and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 191, Canonsburg.

On Jan. 15, 1947, he married Dorothy Blanche (Sue) Brautigam,

who survives.

He was preceded in death by a son, Owen Frye; two sisters, Adeline Sheller and Jean Dormo; and two brothers, Albert and James Frye.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by four sons, Thomas C. of Castleberry, Fla.; Harry L. Jr. of Orlando, Fla.; David E. of Canonsburg; and Edward A. of Geneva, Fla.; three sisters, Elizabeth Sherwood of Lancaster, Mary Rankin of Bethel Park and Thelma Marquis of Hickory; three brothers, David L. Frye of Westland, William Frye of Hickory and Leroy Frye of Burgettstown; and11 grand-children.

Friends were received Aug. 23 in McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Inc., Houston. Services were held Aug. 24 in the funeral home, the Rev. David Vogel officiating.
Interment was in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory.

#### Anna R. Nagy

# Former owner of Susie Q Tavern in Hickory

Anna R. Nagy, 78, of Westland Road, Hickory, died Sunday, December 8, 1996, in Washington Hospital.

She was born January 20, in 1918, in Moshannon, a daughter of John and Verna Kachmonick

Skripek.

She and her husband had owned and operated the Susie Q Tavern in Hickory before their retirement.

On August 16, 1940, she married Alex Nagy, who survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Barbara Lee Moninger of Washington; one son, Charles A. Nagy of Hickory: five grandchildren, Bradley John Wurtzer, Krista Lee Miller, Kimberly Renee Hanna, and Craig C. and Tiffany R. Nagy; one great-granddaughter; three sisters, Mary Krokoski of Snow Shoe, Agnes Long of Moshannon, and Margaret Kormanec of Akron, Ohio; three brothers, Mike of Moshannon, George of Clearfield, and Steve Skripek of Niagara Falls, N.Y.

Deceased are one brother, John Skripek, and two sisters, Sue Benton and Verna Colucci.

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## Nancy C. Turk

Worked at Black Box

Nancy C. Turk, 55, of Southview, died Friday, July 19, 1996, in her home.

She was born January 27, 1941, in Sugar Creek, a daughter of the late Clyde A. and Marian Whitman Scott.

Mrs. Turk, was a component inspector at Black Box Corp. for 10 years.

She was a member of SNPJ of Southview and Fraternal Order of Elks in Canonsburg.

Surviving are two sons, Michael W. Turk of Cecil and Steven J. Turk of McDonald; and one brother Dwayne E. Scott of Hanover Township

TURK — Friends of Nancy C: Turk of Southview, who died Friday, July 19, 1996, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in the Nation Funeral Home, 220 East Lincoln Avenue, McDonald, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, July 22, with the Rev. Foley Salveggi, pastor of the Christian Gathering in Washington, officiating. Burial in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory.

DePAUL - Friends of Joseph John DePaul of Joffre, who died Wednesday, October 14, 1998, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in Hayden-Taucher Funeral Home, 23 Erie Mine Road, Burgettstown, where a blessing service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, October 17, with the Rev.

Richard J. Tusky officiating. Interment will be in Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery, Bur-

gettstown.

## Joseph John DePaul

Managed Joffre tavern

Joseph John DePaul, 36, of Joffre, died Wednesday, October 14, 1998, in Washington Hospital.

He was born November 1, 1961, in Washington, a son the late Paul J. DePaul, who died in 1985, and Mildred Santek DePaul of Joffre.

Mr. Paul was the manager for DePaul's Tayern in Joffre.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are a brother, Paul J. DePaul III of Bridgeville; a sister, Sandy Kucic of Burgettstown; and several nieces and nephews. mins Avenue, Houston, who died Sunday. June 22, 1997, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday McIlvaine- Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., 27 Cherry Avenue, Houston, where services will be held at 11 a.m.

Wednesday, June 25, with the Rev. David M. Robinson officiating, Interment will be

private.

FILOSI - Friends of John B. Filosi Jr. of Cum-

#### John B. Filosi Jr.

# Chemistry teacher at Fort Cherry High School

John B. Filosi Jr., 49, of Cummins Avenue, Houston, died Sunday, June 22, 1997, in Washington Hospital, after an illness of several weeks.

He was born June 27, 1947, in Washington, a son of John B. and Elizabeth Crowe Filosi Sr., both deceased.

Mr. Filosi was a chemistry teacher at Fort Cherry High School for 29 years, and had organized the school's Drama Club and Thespian Society.

He was a member of the National Education Association, and the treasurer for the Fort Cherry Teacher's Union.

He was a member of First United Methodist Church, Houston. He also played the organ for several area churches.

Surviving are one sister, Carol Lynn Chambers of Tucson, Ariz.; two aunts, one uncle, and several cousins.

# Alvin Dale Carter McDonald dairy farmer



Alvin Dale Carter, 90, of Ridge Road, McDonald, died at 9:17 p.m. Friday, October 18, 1996, in Washington Hospital.

He was born March 17, 1906, in Hickory, a son of Robert L. and Annie Small Carter.

He was a member of Hickory
United Presbyterian Church and
was a church elder.

He attended Hickory Vocational School. He was a diary farmer, and received an honorary Keystone Farmer degree from Pennsylvanania Future Farmers of America.

Mr. Carter was a Washington
County Agricultural Extension
director. He served one term with
the Washington County Fair
Board. He was a member of
Washington County and
Pennsylvania Holstein Club.

He was a director of the Washington County D.H.I.A. and member of Pennsylvania Farmers Association. For more than 15 years, he had served a leadership role with Hickory 4-H Agricultural Club. He also was a representative of the dairy cooperative.

He had been a member of the board of Mount Prospect Cemetery

Association.

On June 24, 1930, he married Ellen McCarrell, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Alvin M. (Mack) Carter, T. Lee Carter, and Jay D. Carter, all of McDonald; one daughter, Lois Anne Risser of Lancaster; six grandchildren, Connie Weaver, Donald Carter, Ronald Carter, Carol Fahnestock, Ronald Risser and Maryellen Risser; and seven great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two brothers, Clarence and Glenn Carter.

### Joseph Ard Cowden

Member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church

Joseph Ard Cowden Jr., 74, of Hickory, died at 8:45 a.m. Wednesday, September 7, 1994, in Washington Hospital, following a two-month illness.

Born July 24, 1920, in Mt. Pleasant Township, he was the son of Joseph Ard Sr. and Gladys McCalmont Cowden.

Mr. Cowden was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church and had been employed as a truck driver with REA Express and also Quinn Trucking Co.

A 1938 graduate of Hickory High School, Mr. Cowden also attended Pennsylvania State University.

On November 1, 1941, he married Lois Gladden, who survives

Also surviving are a son, Joseph Ard Cowden III of Hunker; a daughter, Mrs. Harold (Donna) Coffield of Hickory; two brothers, Thomas Cowden and Clair Cowden, both of Hickory; two sisters, Mrs. Ed (Grace) Wert of Muncy and Mary Jane Cowden of Zephyrhills, Fla.; a grandson, Kevin Michael Cowden; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased is a son, John Kevin Cowden; a brother, John M. Cowden; and a sister Martha Jean Cowden

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#### James C. Lee

Graduate of Hickory High worked for Atlas Equipment

Word has been received of the death of James C. Lee, 70, of Kingo an, Ariz., who died November 26, 1996, after a lengthy illness.

He was born August 30, 1926, in Cross Creek, a son of H. Lester and Florence I. Lee.

Prior to his retirement he was employed by Rish Equipment Co. of Corona, Calif., and Atlas Equipment Co. of Pittsburgh.

Mr. Lee graduated from Hickory High School and served in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

In November 1947 he married June Marie Wampler, who survives.

Also surviving are three children, Barbara Speer of Kingman, Douglas Lee of Sun City, Calif., and Jacquelin Laubenthal of Akron, Ohio; three sisters, Ann Sullivan of Wooster, Ohio, Lois Cowden of Washington and Jean Russell of Lake Havasu City, Ariz.; a brother, Harry Lee of Washington; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

A sister, Mary Gresser, is deceased.

Services were held December 4 in Riverside, Calif., and burial was in the Pierce Brothers Crestlawn Memorial Park. YUHAS – Friends of Timothy Wayne Yuhas of Elm Road, Hickory, who died Thursday, July 23, 1998, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Av-

enue, Washington, where funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, July 26, with the Rev. David Robinson officiating. Interment in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory.

# **Timothy Wayne Yuhas**

#### 1977 graduate of Fort Cherry High School

Timothy Wayne Yuhas, 39, of Elm Road, Hickory, died Thursday, July 23, 1998.

He was born January 13, 1959, in Washington, a son of Agnes Josephine Klages Yuhas of Hickory and the late Joseph Yuhas.

Mr. Yuhas was Protestant and was an optician, having been employed by 20-20 opticians of Squirrel Hill.

He was a 1977 graduate of Fort Cherry High School and studied photography with Jay Stock.

Mr. Yuhas enjoyed hunting, fishing, photography, woodworking, gardening and he raised roses.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are a brother, Joseph Emery Yuhas of Avella; a sister, Barbara Ann Batove of Hickory; three nieces; and two nephews.

### Harry C. Jones

# Retired naval officer with 30 years' service

Retired Navy Lt. Commander Harry C. Jones, 81, of Burgettstown, died Sunday, March 23, 1997, at home, after a lengthy illness.

He was born April 21, 1915, in Columbus, Ohio, a son of Harry Charles and Grace Sheridan

Jones.

Mr. Jones graduated from Columbus North High School and entered the Navy where he served for 30 years, retiring in March 1962. He traveled extensively throughout the world, including Europe, Africa and the Caribbean, and was stationed in both Alaska and Hawaii. He then worked for the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.

Mr. Jones was a member of Cape Island Lodge 30 F&AM of Cape May, N.J., Scottish Rite Temple of Southern New Jersey, Nile Temple Shrine of Seattle, Wash., and Silver Eagles of Pensacola, Fla., and was a charter member of Fort Vance Historical

Society.

Surviving are his wife, Edith Clark Jones of Burgettstown; and a son, Harry Charles Jones Jr. of Houston, Texas.

JONES – There will be no public visitation for Harry C. Jones of Burgettstown, who died Sunday, March 23, 1997. A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, March 25, in the Lee & Martin Funeral Home, 73 Highland Avenue, Burgettstown, with the Rev. David A. Dobi officiating.



# Schmidt - 50 years

John and Anna Schmidt of McDonald were honored on their golden wedding anniversary February 22 at a reception at Hickory Fire Hall. The Rev. Charles Bell performed a doublering renewal of vowels.

Mr. and Mrs. Schmidt were married February 21, 1947, in Oakland, Md.

They are the parents of George Schmidt and Anna Merigo, both of McDonald, and the late John Schmidt.

They also have six grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Schmidt were self-employed farmers for 50 years before retiring in 1994.

#### Anna M. Schmidt

Member of Trinity Presbyterian Church, McDonald

Anna M. Schmidt, 67, of McDonald, died unexpectedly Saturday, March 8, 1997, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born in Coraopolis on May 19, 1928, a daughter of Gretchen Stumpf Franz, who survives, and the late George Schmidt.

She was a member of Trinity Presbyterian Church, McDonald.

She was a farmer.

Surviving are her husband, John Schmidt. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary recently.

Also surviving are two children, George Schmidt and Anna M. Merigo both of McDonald; three brothers, George Schmidt, her twin, of Mercer, Fred Schmidt of Coraopolis and Bill Handick of Murdocksville; one sister, Margaret Vietmeier of Crafton; six grandchildren, Lisa, Amy, John and Nicole Schmidt, and Lori and Chris Merigo; one greatgranddaughter and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are one son, John P. Schmidt, who died in 1986, and one sister, Edna Winters.

SCHMIDT – Friends of Anna M. Schmidt of McDonald, who died Saturday, March 8, 1997, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in Thomas-Little Funeral Service Inc., 314 West Lincoln Avenue, McDonald, where a service will be held at 11 a.m Wednesday, March 12, with the Rev. Robert Miller officiating. Interment in Robinson Run Cemetery, McDonald.

### **Barbara Carter Neal**

# Member of Hickory Presbyterian Church

Barbara Ann Carter Neal, 58, of Grandview Avenue, Hickory, died at 5:30 a.m. Friday, September 24, 1999, in Washington Hospital.

Born August 21, 1941, in Washington, she was a daughter of the late Renzie Leroy and Mary Jane Bainbridge Davidson.

Mrs. Neal was a homemaker, a member of Hickory Presbyterian Church and a 1959 graduate of Hickory High School:

On May 21, 1991, she married James Dee Neal, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, William Denny Carter of Claysville and David Dean Carter of McDonald; two stepsons, David Neal of Wexford and Scott Neal of Washington; two daughters, Barbara Jean Saville of Hickory and Christina Lea Herriott of Washington; a stepdaughter, Kelley Neal of Washington; a brother, Renzie L. Davidson Jr. of Oveido, Fla.; and 20 grandchildren.

### Carolyn A. Davidson

### 1964 graduate of Fort Cherry High School

Word has been received of the death of Carolyn A. Davidson, 50, of Oviedo, Fla., who died Saturday, January 18, 1997, in Florida Hospital, Orlando, Fla.

She was born January 16, 1947, in Washington, a daughter of Bill and Alice Kelley of Hickory.

She was a 1964 graduate of Fort Cherry High School and enjoyed gardening and sewing.

She attended the First United Methodist Church in Oviedo.

Surviving are her husband, Renzie L. Davidson II; two sons, Renzie L. III and Daniel, both of Orlando; one daughter, Kelly Bushey of Winter Springs, Fla.; two brothers, Bill and Mike Kelley, both of Hickory; a sister, Doris Jean Miller of New Castle; a grandson, Brett Bushey; and several nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, January 25, at 3 p.m. at the Avery United Methodist Church, 1100 Gabby Avenue, Washington, with the Rev. Richard D. Markle officiating.

NEAL - Friends of Barbara Ann Carter Neal of Grandview Avenue, Hickory, who died Friday, September 24, 1999, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will

be held at 11 a.m. Monday, September 27, with the Rev. Douglas Reinard offi-

ciating.

# Nancy C. Schmidt

### Me nber of Hickory United Presbyterian Church

Nancy Carolyn Schmidt, 63, of Hornhead Road, McDonald, died Monday, April 21, 1997, following a brief illness.

Born November 26, 1933, in Mt. Pleasant Township, she was a daughter of the late Joseph Lawrence and Alice Thelma Rumbaugh Cowden.

Mrs. Schmidt was a member of the Hickory United Presbyterian Church.

On April 23, 1960, she married Edward J. Schmidt, who survives.

Also surviving are a son. Edward J. Schmidt Jr. of Hickory: three daughters. Kimberly J. Spencer of Avella, Thelma E. Schafer of Amity and Deborah S. White of Imperial: eight grandchildren, Kara and Mitchell Spencer, Robert, Kristopher and Kylie Schafer and Brett, Megan and Zachary White; four sisters, Ila M. Snyder of New Cumberland, W.Va., Lois King of Houston, Belva White of Mercer and Evelyn Athey McGinnis of Atlasburg: three brothers, Joseph L. Cowden of McDonald, William E. Cowden of Washington and Russell L. Cowden of Prosperity; and a foster brother, George "Bud" Schurr of Houston.

Deceased are a brother, Alvin R. Cowden, and a grandson, Andrew C. Schafer.

SCHMIDT — Friends of Nancy Carolyn Schmidt of Homhead Road, McDonald, who died Monday, April 21, 1997, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday in the McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., 27 Cherry Avenue, Houston. Services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, April 25, at Hickory United Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Douglas Reinard officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions to the Hickory United Presbyterian Church, the American Cancer Society or Hospice Care of Washington Hospital.

#### Marino A. Cilia

# Retired bus driver operated wool mill

Marino A. Cilia, 73, of Avella, died at 5:06 p.m. Saturday, April 12, 1997, in Washington Hospital.

He was born October 23, 1923, in Meduno, Italy, a son of Andrew

and Regina Rizzotti Cilia.

Mr. Cilia served in the U.S.

Navy during World War II as a gunner's mate third class, worked as a dairy farmer, retiring in 1985, and also drove a school bus for Avella School District for 25 years.

During his retirement, he operated the Cross Creek Valley Wool Mill.

On August 25, 1948, he married Rose Cilia, who survives in Avella.

Mr. Cilia lived in Avella since his marriage where he was a member of St. Michael Roman Catholic Church, Cross Creek Valley Senior Citizens, Athletics Incorporated, and was a volunteer at Avella Community Center.

Surviving in addition to his wife are two sons, Andrew and Christopher Cilia, both of Avella; six daughters, Regina Clemens, Roseanne West, Andrea Rotellini, all of Avella; Christine Lowe of Wellsburg, W.Va., Anna Woodburn of Burgettstown and Jeanette Marth of Washington; 13 grandchildren; three sisters, Marina Testa and Anne Decanini, both of Pittsburgh, and Viola Chaffon of McMurray.

CILIA – Friends of Marino A. Cilia of Avella, who died Saturday, April 12, 1997, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Monday in the Jerome A. Stefkovich Funeral Home Inc., Avella. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Tuesday, April 15, in St. Michael Roman Catholic Church, Avella, with the Rev. Pierre G. Sodini as celebrant. Interment in St. Michael Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Athletics Incorporated, P.O. Box 203, Avella PA 15312.

# *In Fond Remembrance* 3/16/48 - 11/29/95

#### RICHARD "SMITTY" SMITH

#### ON HIS BIRTHDAY

Dear God please take this message to our loved one up above. Tell him how much we miss him, and give him all our love. He bid no one a last farewell. He said "Goodbye" to none. The heavenly gates just opened, and a lovingly voice said "come". It broke our hearts to lose him, but he did not go alone, For part of us went with him the day God called him home. God gave us strength to face it, and courage to meet the blow. But what it meant to lose him, no one will ever know.

Sadly missed by Mom, Dad, Wife, Children, Brothers, Sisters and Friends



#### Matthew L. Gusic

PIAA state wrestling champion in 1944, 1945

Matthew L. Gusic, 73, of Waynesburg R.D.4, died at 11 p.m. Monday, August 4, 1997, in Rolling Meadows Nursing Home following a brief illness.

He was born May 27, 1924, in Mather, a son of Matt and Katherine Blanek Gusic.

Mr. Gusic was a graduate of Waynesburg High School where he lettered in football and wrestling. He was a PIAA state wrestling champion in 1944 and 1945.

He owned and operated the Midway Restaurant (Matt's House of Steaks) in Amity until his retirement. One of his guests at the restaurant was the late former heavyweight boxing champion, Rocky Marciano. Members of the Pittsburgh Steelers football team often dined there.

After his retirement he worked part time at the Waynesburg Elks and the Pepper Tree Restaurant.

Mr. Gusic was Roman Catholic.

He was a life member of the Waynesburg No. 757 Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie 598.

One of his favorite activities was cooking outdoors for organizations, clubs, churches, weddings and private parties. He was an avid Notre Dame and Penn State football fan.

Surviving are two daughters, Sheila K. Miller of Melrose Park, Ill. and Debbie Gusic of Claysville; one brother, John R. Gusic of Waynesburg; and four grandchildren, Danyelle Miller, Janeen Grable, Joshua Deyell and Cody Deyell.

Deceased are one brother, Anthony Gusic; and two sisters, Mary G. Waycoff and Catherine Leo.

#### John D. Engel

# WWII vet was former mail carrier and dairy farmer

John D. Engel, 69, of Hornhead Road, McDonald, died Saturday, June 7, 1997, in his home following an illness of several months.

He was born November 22, 1927, in Mt. Pleasant Township, a son of Herman and Clara England Engel.

Mr. Engel was a member of Venice Presbyterian Church.

He retired from the former McGraw-Edison in Canonsburg in 1985 after 17 years of service. He also was a rural mail carrier for 39 years, retiring in 1989 after working for the McDonald and Cecil post offices.

He also had been a longtime dairy farmer.

Mr. Engel was a member of Chartiers Lodge 297 F&AM, Canonsburg.

He served in the U.S. Army during World War II and was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 191 of Canonsburg and American Legion Post 793 of Cecil.

On March 9, 1951, he married Mary Jane Snedeker, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Larry and Jerry Engel, both of McDonald; one daughter, Sally Clark of McDonald; and six grandchildren, Shelly, Kristy, Natalie and Chelsey Engel, and Stephanie and Ashley Clark.

Deceased is one brother, Herman Engel.

#### Norma J. Dinsmore

#### Member Hickory United Presbyterian



Norma Jean Wilkinson Dinsmore, 68, of Millers Run Road, McDonald, died at 8:15 a.m. Sunday, May 11, 1997, at home.

She was born January 30, 1929, in Washington, a daughter of Evelyn Juanita Morrison Wilkinson of Washington, and the late Charles Frederick Wilkinson.

She was a homemaker and a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church, where she was a Sunday school teacher and former superintendent of Sunday school.

She was a graduate of Trinity High School. She was skilled with crafts.

On May 20, 1952, she married William G. Dinsmore, who survives, along with two sons, William Lloyd Dinsmore and John Charles Dinsmore, both of Hickory; two daughters, Wanda Jean McDowell and Loretta Ellen McMahon, both of Washington; two brothers, Shirle D. "Bean" Wilkinson and Jerry Lee Wilkinson, both of Washington; one sister, Phylis Ann Naser of Washington; nine grandchildren, Wendy Novak, Eli Chipps, Michael McDowell, Erin, April, Christine and Billy Dinsmore, and Bobby and Brian McMahon; one greatgrandchild; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, Charles and Clarence Wilkinson.

# Shirley K. Allison

### Member of Our Lady of Lourdes Church

Shirley K. Allison, 69, of Burgettstown, died Friday, June 20, 1997, in her home.

She was born August 31, 1927, in Burgettstown, a daughter of Edward and Lucille Harris George.

Prior to retirement, Mrs.
Allison was employed by Bobbie
Brooks in Washington and
Petrucci's Shop-N-Save in
Burgettstown.

She was a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church in Burgettstown and a member of the Ladies Home League of the Salvation Army in Weirton, W.Va.

Surviving are three sons,
Donald "Red" Allison of Rea, and
Ronald "Butch" Allison and
William G. Allison, both of
Burgettstown; two daughters,
Kathleen Walker of Georgetown
and Mary DeFilippis of Weirton;
one brother, Edward "Sonny"
George of Burgettstown; 14
grandchildren; and two greatgrandchildren.

Deceased are her husband, William D. Allison, who died March 11, 1973; and her sister, Dorothy Taylor.

#### **Funeral Notices**

ALLISON – Friends of Shirley K. Allison of Burgettstown, who died Friday, June 20, 1997, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in Hayden-Taucher Funeral Home, 23 Erie Mine Road, Burgettstown, where a blessing service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, June 23, with the Rev. Richard J. Tusky officiating. Interment in Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery, Burgettstown.

# **Eugene Schott**

# Owned and operated Schott Equipment Sales



Eugene Schott, 81, of Henderson Avenue, Washington, died at 11:15 a.m. Thursday, June 12, 1997, in his home.

He was born November 14, 1915, in Massachusetts, a son of Kathleen Schott.

He owned and operated Schott Equipment Sales from 1948 to 1991. Prior to this, he owned and

operated a gas station.

He was a member of Chartiers Crossroads Presbyterian Church, where he served as a trustee. He was a former member of the Chartiers-Houston School Board, a former member of the Chartiers Township Planning Commission, and a member of the Penn Farmers Association.

Mr. Schott was a 1935 graduate of Hickory High School. During WWII he served with the SeeBees in the Pacific Theater in Hawaii

and in the Philippines.

On June 23, 1938, he married Edna V. McMillen, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Dale Schott of Washington; two daughters, Patricia Tustin of Washington and Evelyn "Dolly" Oliverio of Houston; seven grandchildren, Jaimee Tustin, Toni Ricker, Ericca Schott, Elessa Fawcett, Eddy Schott, Andrea Ryan, and Jason Oliverio; eight greatgrandchildren; and one greatgreat grandchild.

SCHOTT – Friends of Eugene Schott of Henderson Avenue, Washington, who died at 11:15 a.m. Thursday, June 12, 1997, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, from 12 to 9 p.m. Sunday and from 10 to 11 a.m. Monday, June 15, in the William G. Neal Funeral Home Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, when services will be held with Rev. David Robinson officiating. Interment in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. The family requests that memorial contributions be directed to Hospice Care Inc., Wilson Avenue, Washington. Please designate to the Free Care Fund.

# Child falls from third-story apartment window

A 4-year-old Cecil girl was in critical condition at a Pittsburgh hospital Thursday after falling 22 feet from a three-story apartment build-

Cecil Township police said Jessica Nace and her 7-year-old brother. Tim, were playing in the thirdfloor attic of their home at 3240

Millers Run Road, above My Brother's Place bar, when the accident occurred.

Police said Jessica ran through a closed window, breaking through the glass and crashing to the ground. They were unsure if she landed on the sidewalk or a grassy hillside.

"I heard a lot of running and then

a crash," said bartender Diane Sbarra. The boy ran into the bar and asked Sbarra to call for help. Chanda Cook, the girl's mother, carried the unconscious child into the bar and laid her on the floor to await an

ambulance. The girl suffered several cuts and was alert when paramedics transHospital. Jessica was later flown by STAT

ported her to Canonsburg General

MedEvac to Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh.

The family moved into the second-floor apartment a week or so ago. said landlord Kathleen Csuhta.



# **Fitting tribute**

Several friends, customers and employees of Eugene Schott who gathered Monday morning in front of Schott Equipment Sales on Route 18 in Chartiers Township are framed by the steering wheel of a 1951 Allis-Chalmers CA tractor owned by Jerry Caldwell of Hickory. Some of the group brought their trac-

tors, while others just came to stand in silence as Schott's funeral procession passed by. "I thought it would be a nice thing to do," said Mt. Pleasant Township farmer Ron Salvini, a customer since 1960. Schott, a farm equipment dealer for more than 40 years, died Thursday at the age of 81.

#### Harry S. McBride

Born in Langeloth

Harry S. McBride, 73, of 7152 Dean Drive, Cambridge, Ohio, died at 10:55 a.m. Wednesday, October 22, 1997, at his home.

He was born October 5, 1924, in Langeloth, a son of Harry S. Sr. and Selma Brunner McBride.

Mr. McBride was a member of Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church, Hickory,

He was a U.S. Navy veteran having served aboard the aircraft carrier USS Cabot in the South Pacific during World War II.

He was a mechanic for

Columbia Gas.

On May 19, 1948, he married Alene Carlisle McBride, who survives.

Also surviving are a son. Robert C. McBride of Pittsburgh; a daughter, Janie Ann McBride of Cambridge; and two grandsons, Stephen and David McBride.

Deceased are a brother, John McBride; two sisters, Betty Adkins and Mary Stockel; and a nephew, Harry McBride.

A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, October 25, at Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory.

### Ross G. Briggs

Roofer, former member of Teamsters Local 249

Ross G. Briggs, 60, of Fourth Street, Houston, died Sunday, November 16, 1997, in his home.

He was born August 21, 1937. in Washington, a son of Griffith S. and Edith Davidson Briggs.

Mr. Briggs retired January 24, 1997, from Phoenix Roofing of Imperial where he had worked for 41/2 years.

Prior to that, he worked for 36 years for General Roofing of Bridgeville.

Mr. Briggs was a former member of Teamsters Local 249.

He was a 1955 graduate of Hickory High School.

Mrs. Briggs also served in the U.S. Army from 1960 to 1962.

On December 2, 1960, he married Gail Ranegar, who survives.

Also surviving are one son. Richard S. Briggs at home; one brother, Kay L. Briggs of Hickory; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are three brothers. Robert, E. Roy and William A. Briggs; and two sisters. Josephine Bell and Beryl Smiley.

#### David Mader

Retired coal operator at Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel

David "Punky" Mader, 82, of Langeloth, died Saturday, November 22, 1997, in McDonald.

He was born in Red Bank, a son of Charles A. and Emma May Deters Mader.

Mr. Mader spent most of his life in the Smith Township area.

He was a member of the Church of Christ of Langeloth and had served with the U.S. Marines during World War II.

Mr. Mader was an avid golfer who enjoyed helping players with their golf games.

He retired from Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Co., where he had been a coal operator in the coke plant.

Mr. Mader was a member of the Polish National Alliance Group No. 1870 of Slovan, American Legion Post 0643 of Avella, VFW Post 520 of Midway, SNPJ of Midway and the Raccoon Valley Sportsman Club.

His wife, Evelyn McKay Mader, whom he married May 24, 1937, survives.

Mr. Mader and his wife celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary this May.

Also surviving are a son, Daniel C. Mader of Washington;a daughter, Margaret Lynn of Manchester, Tenn.; nine grandchildren; seven greatgrandchildren; a brother, Lewis Mader of Langeloth; and a sister, Hazel Kaufman of Westland.

#### PHILIP NOKOVICH

In loving memory of *Philip Nokovich*, who passed away August 19, 1987.

Thou art gone dear Dad, Gone beyond the world of tears But memory of you will ever linger Through the passing years.

Sadly Missed by Wife, Children and Grandchildren

#### Catherine Partozoti

#### Resident of Southview

Catherine Partozoti, 55, of Southview, died at home Monday, June 23, 1997, after a lengthy illness.

She was born November 18, 1941, in Southview, a daughter of the late James and Helen Hopkinson Baughman Sr.

Mrs. Partozoti was a member of the former Guardian Angel Church in Southview and a lifelong member of Southview SNPJ Lodge 265.

Surviving are her husband, Alden O. Partozoti; a daughter, Jacquelyn Wilson of Belle Vernon; four sons, Tete Partozoti of Washington, Rich Partozoti of Fayetteville, N.C., and Damon and Derek Partozoti, both at home; a sister, Tottie McElhaney of Southview; a brother, James Baughman Jr. of Hendersonville; four grandchildren, Darren and Kaitlin Partozoti and Dena and Holly Wilson.

Deceased is a sister, Lovina Lesjak.

PARTOZOTI – There will be no public visitation for Catherine Partozoti of Southview, who died Monday, June 23, 1997. Relatives and friends are invited to celebrate Mass of Resurrection at 10 a.m. Thursday, June 26, in St. Mary Roman Catholic Church, Cecil, with Monsignor Robert P. Garland as celebrant.

CLEMENS - In loving memory of our dear husband and father Charles Clemens who passed away four years ago April 1, 1974

Though his smile is gone forever And his face we cannot touch Time will never dim the memories Of the one we loved so much He has never really left us.

Although he is away. We treasure all the memories More with each passing day. God knows how much we miss him

How hard it is to bear. And silently he reminds us That our father is in his care

SADLY MISSED BY WIFE MINNIE. SON RUSSEL. DAUGHTERS MARY, BETTY,

PEG. HELEN AND CLARA

BELL

Frank R Brown Sr

# Frank R. Brown Sr.

Retired as general manager of Liquor Control Board

Frank R. Brown Sr., 69, of McDonald, died Monday, November 24, 1997, in Washington Hospital.

He was born December 21, 1927, in McDonald, a son of Robert M. and Katherine Mae Scott Brown.

Mr. Brown retired in 1985 as general manager for the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board.

He was a member of First Baptist Church of McDonald.

On October 31, 1949, he married Donzella "Donna" Fullum Brown, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Frank R. Brown Jr. of York and Robert L. Brown of Coraopolis; a daughter, Donna M. Cammon of Riverdale, Ga.; a sister, Mildred M. Kemp of Canonsburg; five grandsons, Michael, Aaron, Loren and Marc Brown and Darren Cammon; and one greatgranddaughter.

#### Robert M. Brown

#### Owned Brown's Orchard

#### in Hickory

Robert Matthew Brown, 87, of Southview Road, McDonald, died. Friday, November 21, 1997, in his home.

He was born September 3, 1910, in the home in which he lived, a son of John E. and Mary Cook Brown.

Mr. Brown attended Hickory Vocational High School but then left school to help his father who was an electrical contractor. He then attended Pennsylvania State University, where he took a twoyear course majoring in pomology (fruit with seeds).

After his marriage on March 30, 1933, to Lois McCarrell, he and his wife lived in Schnecksville, Lehigh County, where he served as an orchard foreman for the Trexler Orchards.

In 1935 he returned to Hickory to operate his fathers' orchard, while his father was serving in the state legislature.

He had also worked 10 years for Nationwide Insurance Co. and 10 years for State Farm Insurance Co. During the war he worked at Universal Cyclops Steel Co. in Bridgeville, where he was a wire drawing foreman.

. For 25 years he served as director of the Washington County Farm Bureau and for 25 years he served as the director of the Oakdale Fire Insurance Co.

Mr. Brown retired from Brown's Orchard in Hickory, which he had taken over its operations in 1948 following his father's death.

He was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church, where he had taught the Men's Bible Sunday School Class and had been active in the Washington Camp of Gideon International.

Surviving in addition to his wife, are six children, Robert B. Brown, Birdie Cowden and Molly Errett, all of McDonald, Marjorie Buddemeier of Riverview, Fla., Millie Brewer of San Antonio. Texas, and Ed Brown of Vacaville, Cailf.; a sister, Bette McCool of Washington; 13 grandchildren, Barry, Randy and Brian Brown, Kimberly Cowden. Gwen Mitchell, Matthew and Douglas Errett, Kristine Davis, Jason, Jeffrey and Jeremy Buddemeier, and Jaimey and Jordon Brown; and four greatgrandchildren.

Deceased are four brothers, John E., William, Richard and David Brown; and two sisters, Isabel Amreihn and Mary Hoop. HINES – Friends of Harold M. "H" Hines, who died Tuesday, March 10, 1998, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday in the Nichol Funeral Home, 1873 East Maiden Street, Washington.

where funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, March 13, with the Rev. Rebecca Hickok officiating. Interment in Horn Cemetery, Marianna.

#### Harold M. Hines

#### Former yardman for Republic Steel

Harold M. "H" Hines, 54, of Amity, died Tuesday, March 10, 1998, in Washington Hospital.

He was born May 22, 1943, in West Bethlehem Township, a son of the late Albert and Elva Sandy Hines.

Mr. Hines was a 1961 graduate of Bethlehem-Center High School and had been employed by as a yardman from 1964 to 1981 by the Republic Steel Corp. in Cleveland, Ohio.

He was a member of Anawanna Hunting and Fishing Club, the Waynesburg Moose Lodge and also the American Legion Post 744 in Marjanna.

Surviving are a daughter, Robin Malarkey of Marianna; a sister, Sharon Miller of Amity; two grandsons, Michael and William; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, James Hines and Ralph Hines; and a sister, Shirlene Feather.

# Margaret D. Schafer

# Member of Trinity Presbyterian Church

Margaret D. Schafer, 82, of Hickory, died Tuesday, November 18, 1997, in Allegheny University Medical Centers-Canonsburg.

She was born November 4, 1915, in McDonald, a daughter of Peter and Bertha Nimal

Descutner.

Mrs. Schafer was a member of Trinity Presbyterian Church, McDonald, its chancel choir, Trinity Presbyterian Women and board of deacons.

She was a 1933 graduate of McDonald High School.

Surviving are a son, James Schafer of Hickory; two sisters, Mildred Williamson and Evelyn Kennedy, both of Hickory; three grandchildren, Lisa Augustine, John Wasuchno Jr. and Mary Beth Trump; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are her husband, Otis G. Schafer; a daughter, Peggy Ann Wasuchno; three sisters, Wilma Descutner, Arlene Stitsel and Elma Lemon; and a brother, Paul Descutner.

# Emiel H. Degenkolb

# Union carpenter for 45 years

Emiel H. Degenkolb, 86, of Burgettstown, formerly of Cedar Grove, died Tuesday, November 25, 1997.

He was born November 9, 1911, in Lincoln Place, the son of Emil and Iva Ross Degenkolb.

Mr. Degenkolb worked 45 years as a union carpenter and was a member of the International Brotherhood of Carpenters Local 186 of Steubenville, Ohio, retiring in 1973.

He was also a member of the Cherry Valley Sportsman Club, Cross Creek Senior Citizens and SNPJ Lodge 292 of Avella.

On August 15, 1930, he married Catherine M. Noll, who died August 15, 1990.

Surviving are one daughter,
Arlene "Sis" Clemens of Cherry
Valley; two sons, Ronald
Degenkolb of Homestead and
Harry "Butch" Degenkolb of
Eldersville; two brothers, Earl
"Red" Degenkolb of Mingo
Junction, Ohio, and Robert
Degenkolb of Weirton W.Va.; two
sisters, Olive Lynn of
Wintersville Ohio, and Vera
Winterstein of Clarksville, Tenn.;
10 grandchildren; 17 great
grandchildren; and one greatgreat-granddaughter.

Deceased one son, Arnold Degenkolb, who died October 13, 1988; and one brother, William Degenkolb.

### **Edward Mervin Dinch**

# 40-year employee of Jessop Steel

Edward Mervin Dinch, 87, of Hicks Road, West Alexander, died Wednesday, December 31, 1997, in Presbyterian Medical Center, Washington, following an 18month illness.

He was born April 24, 1910, in Buffalo Township, a son of Harry E. and Kizzie Kelly Dinch.

Prior to retirement, he was employed by Jessop Steel Co. for 40 years in the electric furnace department.

Mr. Dinch was a member of Christian and Missionary Alliance Church, Jessop Employees Club and Taylorstown American Legion.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing and gardening.

On May 22, 1936, he married Mary Mildred Dinch, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Harry E. and Donald M. Dinch, both of Claysville and Lawrence Dinch of West Alexander; a daughter, Darlene Blayney of Lagonda; a sister, Laura Hatfield of Washington; 11 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a brother, Russell Hugh Dinch; two sisters, Elizabeth Haskell and Rebecca Durila; and two great-grandsons, Toby and Tanner Racette.

DINCH – Friends of Edward Mervin Dinch of Hicks Road, West Alexander, who died Wednesday, December 31, 1997, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in the William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, where services will be held at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, January 3, with the Rev. John Mark Scott officiating. Interment in North Buffalo Church Cemetery.

#### **Charles Edward Bell**

# Steel worker active in Salvation Army



Charles Edward Bell, 62, of Washington, died Monday, December 1, 1997, in Washington Hospital.

He was born November 3, 1935, in Washington, a son of Joseph and Margaret Jane Clemens Bell.

He was employed by Washington Steel Co. as a steel worker and was a member of the United Steelworkers. He was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene in Washington, and was very active in the Salvation Army.

On March 29, 1967, he married Evelyn Doman Randolph, who

Also surviving are three sons.

survives.

Charles A. Bell of North Canton, Ohio, Kenneth M. Bell of Washington and Howard R. Randolph Jr. of Washington; a daughter, Sharon L. Sharp of Rhode Island: three grandchildren. Michele Davignon, Howard and David Sharp; two brothers, John Albert Bell and Tony Lee Bell of Washington; six sisters, Helen Virginia Morris, Anna Mae Allen, Betty Jane Fisher, all of Washington, Christina Eva Valentine, of Rogersville, Ohio. Eva Marina Kellev of Washington and Mary Elizabeth Wesley of Columbus, Ga.

Deceased are two brothers, Joseph Leroy Bell and Harry Bell. THOMAS - Friends of Alvin Neil Thomas of Red Fox Road, Hickory, who died Tuesday January 13, 1998, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday and Friday in the William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd... 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, Mass of

Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Saturday, January 17, in St. Hilary Church with the Rev. Thomas D. O'Neil as celebrant, Interment in Forest Lawn Gardens, McMurray. Military rites will be accorded graveside by VFW Post 191 of Canonsburg and Houston American Legion Post 902. The family suggests memorial contributions to Falk Clinic, care of University of Pitts-

burgh Medical Center, Pittsburgh, PA.

#### John H. McDowell Jr.

Member of Mt. Prospect United Presbyterian Church



John H.
McDowell Jr., 82,
of East
Washington,
formerly of
Hickory, died
Tuesday, March
31, 1998, in

Washington Hospital.

He was born December 23, 1915, in Mt. Pleasant Township, a son of John and Margaret McPeak McDowell.

Mr. McDowell was a member of Mt. Prospect United Presbyterian Church, Hickory, a member of the Hickory Lions Club, Indian Springs Rod and Gun Club, served as a member of Mt. Prospect Cemetery Board and attended Hickory High School. He enjoyed golfing.

Prior to his retirement in 1980, he was a truck driver for Russell Industries, Bridgeville.

On December 25, 1937, in Hickory, he married Myrtle Neil, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, John Howard McDowell III of Pittsburgh; a daughter, Mary Jo Williams of McMurray; two granddaughters, Cathleen Danley Seybert and Gretchen Lynn Danley; two greatgrandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a brother, James McDowell, who was killed in World War II; and two sisters, Sally Davis and Katherine James.

### Paul E. Kelley

# Former Observer-Reporter pressman

Paul E. Kelley, 71, of Manchester Road, Middletown, Ohio, a resident of Washington until four years ago, died at 4:36 p.m. Tuesday, March 3, 1998, in Kettering Medical Hospital, Dayton, Ohio, following a onemonth illness.

He was born March 2, 1927, in Washington, a son of Clyde and Helen M. Ross Kelley.

Mr. Kelley was a graduate of Trinity High School and was Protestant.

He was employed as a pressman with the *Observer-Reporter* for 27 years and worked several years for Consolidated Coal Co. at Westland Mine before retiring.

Mr. Kelley was a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps, served during both World War II and the Korean War.

On May 14, 1946, he married Dolores Wilkins Kelley, who survives at home.

Also surviving are two daughters, Sandra Diane McMullen of Middletown, Ohio, and Lisa Colleen Kelley at home; a brother, Clyde Kelley of Hickory; two sisters, Christine Bruckner of Washington and Violet M. Byers of Claysville; two grandchildren, Jeffrey Scott McMullen and Amy Lynette Powell; a great-grandson, Jordan Alexander McMullen; and 16 nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a son, Terrance Paul Kelley; a sister, Helen L. Baumgardner; a brother, Dale Leon Kelley; and a niece, Carolyn Davidson.

kelley – Friends of Paul E. Kelley of Manchester Road, Middletown, Ohio, a resident of Washington until four years ago, who died Tuesday, March 3, 1998, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in the Hummell and Barnhill Memorial Chapel, 585 Fayette Street, Washington, where a service will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 7, with Dr. Allyn Ricketts officiating. Burial in Washington Cemetery.

### Alvin Neil Thomas



Alvin Neil Thomas, 58, of Red Fox Road, Hickory, died at 9:05 p.m. Tuesday January 13, 1998, in AUMC-Canonsburg. He

had been ill since June of 1996.

He was born September 12, 1939, in Washington, a son of Mary Edna Neil Thomas of Washington and the late Raymond Howard Thomas.

Mr. Thomas was raised in Hickory and was a 1958 graduate of Hickory High School, where he held the WPIAL state title for the

broad jump.

He enjoyed hunting and was involved in various history-related interests regarding World War II.

Mr. Thomas served in the U.S. Army in Germany with an honor guard unit and military police.

He served as a policeman in Washington, D.C., and Montgomery County, Md. for 11 years and was a part-time policeman in Mt. Pleasant Township, Hickory.

He was also employed at Vaughn Hamlin's Body Shop in Bridgeville. He received a commendation from George Wallace as a result of guarding him after an assassination attempt and from the police department for rescuing drowning victims from the Potomac River during Hurricane

Agnes.
Mr. Thomas attended St.
Hilary Church, Washington, was
a social member of VFW Post 191
of Canonsburg and the Polaski
Club of Washington, and was a
member of American Legion Post
902 of Houston where he was past
commander and held numerous
offices.

On May 10, 1967, he married

Bridget Theresa Bannon, who survives.

Also surviving, in addition to

Also surviving, in addition to his mother, are a son, Patrick Neil Thomas at home; a brother, Raymond M. Thomas of Washington; two sisters, Mary Ann Ostovic of Washington and Betty Eileen Camden of Washington.

### Walter R. Grose

Taylorstown grocer was retired postmaster



Walter R. Grose, 86, of Taylorstown, died Saturday, April 25, 1998, in his home. He was born January 12, 1912,

in Frostburg, Md., a son of Thomas C. and Edith

Pearce Grose.
From November 1933 until 1941,
he was an A&P Tea Co. store
manager. From 1941 until
retirement in October 1976, he
owned Grose Markets in
Washington, Taylorstown and
Hickory.

He also was postmaster in Taylorstown for 28 years.

In 1970, he founded Grose Catering Service in Taylorstown, which is still in existence.

He was a member of

Taylorstown Presbyterian Church. He was a former member of his local fire company, Washington Rotary, Claysville Lodge 447

F.&A.M. and the Syria Temple

A.A.O.N.M.S. of Pittsburgh.
Mr. Grose was co-founder of the
former Washington Grocers
Association, and he served as a
past Rotary president and Rotary
Paul Harris Fellow.

He was a 1930 graduate of
Allegheny High School in

Cumberland, Md.
On September 18, 1934, he was
married by the late Rev. John W.
Love to Lois Alexander, who

survives.
Also surviving are three sons,
John Fredrick Grose of Hickory,
N.C., Reggie Grose of Weirton,
W.Va., and David R. Grose of
Lexington, Ky.; two daughters,
Carol Ruetschi and Ruth Raber,
both of Taylorstown; a sister, Ethel
Lemman of Darlington; nine
grandchildren; 10 greatgrandchildren; and many nieces
and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, Pearce and Kenneth Grose. GROSE – Friends of Walter R. Grose of Taylorstown, who died Saturday, April 25, 1998, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in Warco-Falvo Funeral Home Inc., Wilson at East

Katherine avenues, Washington, S. Timothy Warco, supervisor/director, Susan Falvo Warco, director, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, April 29, with lay minister Pat Lutz officiating. Burial in Mt. Prospect Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Taylorstown Presbyterian Church or the charity of one's

choice.

### Donald B. Delprato

#### Cherry Valley resident, Mesta Machine retiree

Donald B. Delprato, 80, of Cherry Valley, died Sunday, April 12, 1998, in his home.

He was born May 3, 1917, in Cherry Valley, a son of Arthur and Catherine Fasola Delprato.

Prior to retirement, Mr.
Delprato was employed by Testa
Machine Company in Slovan.

He was a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church in Burgettstown.

He was also a member of Cherry Valley Sportsman's Club and the National Rifle Association.

Surviving are his wife, Irene Richardson Delprato; a son, Donald T. Delprato of Pittsburgh; a daughter, Mary Alice Weinbrenner of Cherry Valley; two grandchildren, Derek and Andrea Weinbrenner; a greatgranddaughter and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a brother, John Delprato; and a sister, Margaret Geffert. CHESS - Friends of Ruth W. Seaman Chess. of Clavsville, who died Sunday, April 12, 1998,

will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. in the Michael H. Heinrich Funeral Home, 219 Main Street, Claysville, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, April 16, with the

Revs. Meade Lacock, pastor of Clavsville Christian Church, and Harold Sprowls, pastor of Roadside Chapel, co-officiating, Interment in Claysville Cemetery. The family suggests memorial contributions to the American

Cancer Society, 135 South College Street,

Washington, PaA15301, or the Alzheimer's Alliance of Western Pennsylvania, 5180 Camp-

bell's Run Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15205.

### Ruth W. Chess

Claysville historian was active in community



Ruth W. Seaman Chess, 77, of Claysville, died unexpectedly Sunday, April 12, 1998, in UPMC Presbyterian, Pittsburgh.

She was born November 25, 1920, in Washington, a daughter of Delbert Sherman and Nellie M. Clemens Seaman. Her stepmother was Virginia M. Clemens Seaman.

Mrs. Chess was an active member of Claysville Christian Church, where she had served as a deaconess and Sunday school teacher.

She was a 1940 graduate of Claysville High School and worked as a pie baker for Jimmy Gray's Restaurant, Claysville, for several years in the 1940s, and as a seamstress in her home.

She was a member of Claysville Homemakers, McGuffey Senior Citizens Center, the Ladies Auxiliary of James R. Hunt American Legion Post 639, Claysville, where she held many offices, served as a founding member of Claysville Civic Council and was the first advisor for the Claysville American Legion's

Junior Auxiliary in the 1950s. Mrs. Chess wrote several articles on the history of Claysville and enjoyed knitting, crocheting, crafts, gardening and participating in many community-oriented

activities. On July 9, 1942, in Russell, Ky., she married Robert W. Chess, who died February 26, 1986.

Mrs. Chess was the last of her immediate family.

Surviving are two daughters, Rebecca Chess Riggle of Claysville and Susan Chess Sprowls of Augusta, Ga.; two aunts, Mary Seaman Plants and Loretta Seaman Beck; two grandchildren, Karie Lyons and Jeffrey R. Kuhn; twin great-grandsons and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, Wilbert L. "Duke" Seaman and

Alfred I. Seaman.

#### SNEDEKER - Friends of Thomas R. Snedeker of Daisytown, who died Wednesday, May 20. 1998, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in the Greenlee Funeral Home. Route 40. Beallsville, where services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 23, with the Rev. Gary Gregg officiating. Interment in Mt. Prospect Cemetery. Hickory.

### Thomas R. Snedeker

### Retired miner from Daisytown

Thomas R. Snedeker, 60, of Daisytown, died Wednesday, May 20, 1998, in Mon Valley Hospital.

He was born November 3, 1937, in Mt. Pleasant Township, a son of the late Andrew and Gladys Morrow Snedeker.

Mr. Snedeker was a retired miner, formerly employed by Cresent Hills Coal Co. of

Daisytown.

He was a member of the Hungarian Club, Daisytown; Daisytown Athletic Club; Miners Club of Richeyville; Independent Club of Bentleyville; Italian Club of California; American Legion of California; Independent Club of Muse; Brownsville Sportsman Club; and Bishop Club and Southview Club, both of Canonsburg.

Surviving are his wife, Dolores Krilosky Snedeker; three daughters, Tammy Snedeker of Oakdale, Jeanette Selvoski of Bentleyville and Pamela Chiedor of Roscoe; two sons, Keith Snedeker of Hickory and Nicholas Krilosky of Daisytown; seven grandchildren, Brandon Vadella, Stephen and Desiree Selvoski, Ryan Krilosky, Ashley Snedeker, Breanna Huber and Breanne Chiedor; two sisters, Mary Jane Engle of McDonald and Ann Pryor of Washington; and a brother, Clifford Snedeker of Washington.

Deceased, in addition to his parents, is a sister, Betty Sethman.

### Franklin M. Morrison

### Retired steelworker worked for LTV in Aliquippa

Franklin M. "Moe" Morrison, 59, of Bulger, died Friday, May 15, 1998, in McMurray Hills Manor, Peters Township.

He was born February 5, 1939, in Southview, a son of the late Frank Arthur and Grace Ida Crawford Morrison.

Before his retirement January 31, 1998, he worked in the tin mill of LTV Steel Corp. in Aliquippa for 40 years.

Mr. Morrison was a member of USWA Local 1211, Aliquippa.

On September 30, 1978, he married Angeline M. (Angie) Dire, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Angel Morrison White of Oakdale; a stepson, Jamie Maga of Canonsburg; a brother, William B. Morrison of Beloit, Ohio; a sister, Gladys Zawacki of Cecil Township; two grandchildren, Amanda Marie and Amber Lee White; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased is a sister, Hazel Howe.

#### Robert W. Darras

### Outdoorsman and U.S. Army veteran

Robert W. Darras, 62, of Bulger, died Friday, June 12, 1998, in his home.

He was born January 6, 1936, in Bulger, a son of the late John and Margaret Cochran Darras.

Mr. Darras was a heavy equipment operator and belonged to Local 66. He was a veteran, serving in the U.S. Army, and a member of the Bulger Veterans of Foreign Wars post.

He was also an avid outdoorsman and belonged to the Westland and McDonald

sportsman's clubs.

Surviving are one son, Chris Darras of Burgettstown; a daughter, Cyndy Mosites of Pittsburgh; one sister, Margaret Lee of Burgettstown; one brother, John Darras of Leola; seven grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased is one son, Peter

Darras.

DELPRATO - At the request of the deceased. there will be no visitation for Donald B Delprato of Cherry Valley, who died Sunday, April 12, 1998. A memorial Mass will be celebrated

at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 15, in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Burgettstown, with the Rev. Richard J. Tusky as celebrant. Other arrangements will be at the convenience of the family. The family suggests memorial contributions be made to the American Cancer Society, the American Heart Association

or to a charity of one's choice. Arrangements are being handled by the Hayden-Taucher Funeral Home, 23 Erie Mine Road, Bur-

gettstown.

### Thelma S. Williams

## Church organist and accompanist

Thelma S. Williams, 80, of Hickory, died at 3:30 p.m. Saturday, May 16, 1998, in her home.

She was born December 20, 1917, in Avella, a daughter of Francis J. and Helen Egbert Scouvart.

She graduated from Avella High School in 1933 and attended Wooster College.

Mrs. Williams was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church, having served as its organist for more than 40 years. She began playing the pipe organ in Avella Presbyterian Church at age 12.

She served as the accompanist for many local soloists and choral groups.

On November 28, 1935, she married David H. "Chris" Williams, who died November 20, 1990.

They owned and operated the Hickory Auction for many years.

Surviving are a daughter, Joy W. Froebe of Avella; a son, David H. Williams Jr. of Sedona, Ariz.; four grandchildren, Jeffrey and Mark Hughes, Debora L. Williams and David Williams III; and three great-grandchildren.

Deceased, in addition to her husband, are a granddaughter, Michelle Williams; a brother, Francis Scouvart; and two sisters, Nellie Shanks and Edna Rohr Featheringill.

At the request of the deceased, services and interment will be private. Memorials may be made in her name to the Memorial Fund of Hickory United Presbyterian Church.

ORGA - Friends of Sara R. "Sadie" Orga of Cherry Valley, who died Thursday, July 16, 1998, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in Hayden-Taucher Funeral Home: 23 Erie Mine Road, Burgettstown, A Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Monday, July 20, with the Rev. Richard J. Tusky and the Rev. James McKay as concelebrants. Inter-

ment will be in Calvary Cemetery, Pittsburgh. The Rev. Tusky will conduct a wake service at 3:30 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home. The family suggests memorial contributions to Burgettstown Community Library, 2 Kerr Street,

Burgettstown, PA 15021.

### Sara R. Orga

### Active in Bulger VFW Auxiliary

Sara R. "Sadie" Orga, 89, of Cherry Valley, died Thursday, July 16, 1998, in Weirton (W.Va.) Medical Center.

She was born August 5, 1908, in Crabtree, a daughter of Thomas and Margaret McKay Sheridan.

Prior to retirement, Mrs. Orga operated Ergan's Tavern in Cherry

Valley for 26 years.

She was a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church, Burgettstown.

Mrs. Orga was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary in Bulger, where she served as past president of Skinner-Braun Post, president of Washington-Greene County Council and past district president:

She was an avid card player.

Surviving are a son, Anselmo "Sam" Orga of Cherry Valley; three daughters, Patricia J. Keating of Eldersville, Mary Margaret McDonald of Carrick and Rita R. Long of Beaver; 13 grandchildren and 10

great-grandchildren.

Deceased are her husband, Christ Orga, who died November 20, 1972; two daughters, Kathleen Bland and Ann Rosensteel; a brother, John Sheridan; five sisters, Ann Egan, Susan Schulteis, Katherine Borland, Margaret Wetmore and Loretta Getz; and a grandson, James Armstrong. Mrs. Orga was the last of her immediate family.

#### Anna K. Hillman

### Retired LPN from John Kane Hospital

Anna K. "Dolly" Hillman, 89, of Midway, died Wednesday, July 1, 1998, in her home.

She was born July 15, 1908, in Primrose, a daughter of Lewis and Magdeline "Lena" Kris Kargle.

Mrs. Hillman was a retired licensed practical nurse from John Kane Hospital.

Surviving are Joan Merryman of Florida; seven grandchildren, Deonne, Ann, Jacqui, Cari, Dolly, Cathy Jo, and Kenny; 10 greatgrandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are her husbands, William Merryman, Sam McElheney and Jay Hillman; two sons, Donald and Jack Merryman; two brothers, Lewis and Frank Kargle; and a sister, Madeline Pogonobich. man of Midway, who died Wednesday, July 1, 1998, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday in the Thomas and Little Funeral Home, 106 St. John Street, Midway, where services will be held at 11

a.m. Friday, July 3. Interment in Center

Cemetery, Midway.

HILLMAN - Friends of Anna K. "Dolly" Hill-

#### **Smith Township**

A TELEPHONE REPAIR-MAN found the body of a Hickory man in Smith Township July 23.

Smith Township police said the body of Timothy W. Yuhas, 39, of 29 Elm Road was found just off Rifle Range Road in the state gamelands.

Police said the cause of death is pending an autopsy, but they believe Yuhas committed suicide.

Yuhas' family reported him missing to police earlier in the day when he did not report for work.

MARQUIS - Friends of Charles "Bud" Marquis, of Hickory, who died Saturday, May 23, 1998, will be received from 1 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 27, in the McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home, 27 Cherry Avenue, Houston, followed by a funeral service at 8 p.m. in the funeral home with the Pastor Gary Gibson officiating, Interment in Mt. Prospect Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Mt. Pleasant Volunteer Fire Department, Main Street, Hickory, PA 15340, or Mt. Pleasant United Presbyterian Church of Aliquippa, Building Fund, c/o elder Jeff Marguis, 4024

Eaglewood Drive, Aliquippa, PA 15001.

### **Charles Marquis**

### Former Mt. Pleasant Township supervisor

Charles "Bud" Marquis, 65, of Hickory, died Saturd y, May 23, 1998, in Salt Lake City, Utah.

He was born August 21, 1932, in Washington, a son of Raymond and Sadie Lanier Marquis.

Mr. Marquis had been an auto mechanic for Hagan Olds and Cadillac and a truck driver for Russell Industries.

He was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church, a lifetime member of Mt. Pleasant Volunteer Fire Department, a former member of the Hickory Lions Club and a former member of Mt. Pleasant Water Authority.

Mr. Marquis was on the board of supervisors for Mt. Pleasant Township for 12 years.

On June 25, 1955, he married Shirley Griest, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons,
Jeff Marquis of Aliquippa, James
Marquis of Fort Worth, Texas,
and Jon Marquis of Duncansville;
a daughter, Janet Marquis of
Wernersville; eight
grandchildren, Michele, Jessie,
Casey, Weston, Elija, Brandon,
Amanda and Jenna; and a sister,
Betty Jean Bigelow of Bruceton
Mills, W.Va.



Just a prayer from us, who love you

Just a memory fond and true.
In our hearts you will live forever,
Because we thought the world

of you.

A million times we've missed

A million times we've cried. Never selfish, always kind Those were the memories you left behind.

Deep in our hearts you will alway stay,

Loved and remembered every day.

Becky, Dan, Susie, Larry, Karie, Mark, Jeff, Dawn, Boone and Tackitt ZUCCARO FRYE – Friends of Elma Zuccaro Frye of Burgettstown, who died Monday, October 19, 1998, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday and from 2 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, in the Hayden-Taucher Funeral Home, 23 Erie Mine Road, Burgettstown, A Mass of Christian Burial will

gettstown. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Thursday, October 22, in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Burgettstown, with the Rev. Richard J. Tusky as celebrant. Interment in Our Lady of Lourdes Church Cemetery. The Rev. Tusky will conduct a wake service at 8:45 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home.

### Elma Zuccaro Frye

### Beautician for many years

Elma Zuccaro Frye, 74, of Burgettstown, died Monday, October 19, 1998, in Weirton (W.va.) Medical Center.

She was born May 18, 1924, in Burgettstown, a daughter of Louisa Tomei Zuccaro of Burgettstown and the late Rocco Zuccaro

Mrs. Zuccaro Frye was a beautician, operating from her home for many years.

She was a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church in Burgettstown.

Surviving, in addition to her mother, are her husband, Leroy Frye; a sister, Helen Zuccaro of Clinton Township, Mich.; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, John and Gino Zuccaro.

#### Loretta C. Malone

# Retired from Lang's department store

Loretta C. Malone, 85, of Henderson Road, Hickory, died at 6 a.m. Wednesday, October 14, 1998, in Washington Hospital, after a brief illness.

She was born December 13, 1912, in Bulger, a daughter of William and Margaret Penderville Clark.

Mrs. Malone was a member of Southview Guardian Angel Church in Southview.

She attended Burgettstown High School where she was on the track team and won many gold medals.

Mrs. Malone worked in Mt. Pleasant Township at Rea Mine and Clark Cole Mine, which was

owned by her father.

She was later employed at Lang's Department Store in Washington Mall from which she retired.

On July 11, 1936, she married Leroy Alvin Malone, who died July 3, 1993.

Surviving are a son, Leroy
William Malone of Hickory; a
brother, Jack C. Clark of
Lawrence; four sisters, Margaret
Brown of Hickory, Helen
Cummins and Lois Brust of
Washington, Mona Lee Riley of
Mt. Lebanon; and several nieces
and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, William Clark and Carson Clark,

who died in infancy.

MALONE – Friends of Loretta C. Malone of Henderson Road, Hickory, who died Wednesday, October 14, 1998, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday in Warco-Falvo Funeral Home Inc., Wilson at E. Katherine avenues, S. Timothy Warco, supervisor-director, Susan Falvo Warco, director. A blessing service will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, October 16, in the funeral home. Burial will be in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. Memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society or a charity of one's choice.

#### Charles W. Dalton

### Former private pilot and

Charles William Dalton, 76, of Beech Street, Washington, died at 3:58 p.m. Sunday, August 16, 1998, in Washington Hospital, following a lengthy illness.

He was born September 9, 1921, in Taylorstown, a son of William Charles Dalton and Laura Mary Dutton Dalton McAfee.

Mr. Dalton was last employed as a driver for Dr. E. Ronald Salvitti. He had previously been employed as an air traffic controller at Greater Pittsburgh International Airport and as a foreman in the Tidewater oil fields.

He held his private pilot's license for many years and was a 1939 graduate of Claysville High School.

Mr. Dalton served in the U.S.
Army during World War II in
London, England, where he
received the Good Conduct
Medal, the American Defense
Service Medal and the EuropeanAfrican-Middle Eastern Service
Medal. He was a member of the
Taylorstown American Legion
post.

In London, England, he married Eileen Kiley, who died March 30, 1978. He later married Frances Jasinski, who is also deceased.

Surviving are a daughter,
Laura Chick of West Hartford,
Conn.; two sisters, Mary Ann
Ashmore of Washington and Lois
Jean Marrazzo of Orland, Calif.;
and a granddaughter, Lisa
McCartney.

Deceased is a son, Charles William Dalton Jr., who died in April 1983.

### John J. Foflygen III

### Retired owner of Kimberland Dairy

John J. Foflygen III, 79, of Mt. Pleasant Township, died Saturday, January 9, 1999, in Washington Hospital.

He was born September 27, 1919, in Washington, a son of John J. Foflygen Jr. and Flora Hartley

Foflygen.

He was a graduate of Washington High School.

Mr. Foflygen owned and was a dairyman for 35 years with Kimberland Dairy. He delivered dairy products to most of Washington County.

He was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church and its dartball team, and was a member of Richard Vaux Lodge 454 F&AM, Burgettstown.

On November 27, 1941, he married Ruth Irene Dunfee, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, John J. Foflygen IV of Frederick, Md., and Brian P. Foflygen of Burgettstown; a daughter, Janice A. Foflygen of McDonald; a brother, James Wayne Foflygen of Burgettstown; 11 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two brothers, Kenneth and Marion R. Foflygen.

FOFLYGEN – Friends of John J. Foflygen III of Mt. Pleasant Township, who died Saturday, January 9, 1999, will be received in Nation Funeral Home Inc., 220 East Lincoln Avenue, McDonald, from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, January 12. Services will be held at 8 p.m. Tuesday, with Elder William K. Foflygen of Friendship Community Church, Washington, officiating. Interment will be held at the convenience of the family.

#### **Edith Dire Vernon**

### Member of First United Methodist Church



Edith Dire Vernon, 69, of Washington, died unexpectedly Thursday, December 31, 1998, in her home.

She was born

March 22, 1929, in Hickory, a daughter of Angelo and Angela Berlingeri Dire.

Mrs. Vernon was employed at Pittsburgh National Bank for more than 20 years, retiring in

1994.

She was a member of First United Methodist Church of Washington and a 1946 graduate of Hickory High School.

On November 22, 1969, in Kent, Ohio, she married George "Bill" Vernon, who died November 3,

1997.

Surviving are two stepsons, Stephen Vernon of Albany, Calif., and Donald Vernon of Reston, Va.: a stepdaughter, Janelle Vernon Baldwin of Oakland, Calif.; two brothers, Louis V. Dire of Hickory, and Mike Dire of Washington; four sisters, Erma Baroni and Josephine Lugaila both of Hickory, Mary Warrick and Joann Ross both of Washington: four stepgrandchildren, Lisa and Holly Vernon, Brigette and Logan Stump-Vernon; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased is a brother, Albert

Dire.

ALLISON – Friends and relatives of Lucille Bell Allison of Hickory, who died Wednesday, January 6, 1999, are invited to attend a memorial service at 1 p.m. Saturday, January 9, in Hickory United Presbyterian Church, with

the, Rev. Douglas R. Reinard officiating. Private interment in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory, Arrangements by the William G. Neal Fu-

neral Homes Ltd.

### Lucille Bell Allison

### Member of Hickory United Presbyterian

Lucille Bell Allison, 79, of Hickory, died at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, January 6, 1999, at her home, following a one-year illness.

She was born September 20, 1919, in Tucson, Ariz., a daughter of John Arthur and Constance Schneider Bell.

Mrs. Allison was a 1937 graduate of Washington High School and attended Washington Seminary.

She was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church,

She also was a member of ACBL Bridge Club, the Women's Golf League at Godwin's and a bowling league at Route 19 Bowl.

On May 21, 1947, she married Jay R. Allison, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Jay R. Allison Jr. of Bethel Park and Jeffery B. Allison of Hickory; a brother, John Daniel Bell of Elm Grove, W.Va; and three grandchildren, David Jay, Elizabeth Ann and Jesse Austin Allison.

### John Bobyak

### Enjoyed fishing

John Bobyak, 83, of Atlasburg, died Friday, January 1, 1999, in Washington County Health Center, Washington.

He was born November 17, 1915, in Langeloth, a son of Stephen and

Julia Lukach Babyak.

He was a retired auto mechanic. Mr. Bobyak was a member of St. John's Byzantine Catholic Church, Avella, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars of Atlasburg and Slovan.

He enjoyed fishing, picking mushrooms and playing cards.

On January 29, 1940, at St.
Michael's Byzantine Catholic
Church, Canonsburg, he married
Anna Bumbera, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Jack and Jim Bobyak, both of Burgettstown; a daughter, Joanne Smoley of Munhall; nine grandchildren; 11 greatgrandchildren; five sisters, Jane Benigna and Ann Peterson, both of New York, Helen Cipranic of Burgettstown, Julie Yaksic of the state of California and Betty Uchal of Canonsburg; and two brothers, Steve Babyak of Burgettstown and Joe Babyak of Louisiana.

#### Glenn H. Doumont

### Member of Center U.P. Church, Midway

Glenn Henry Doumont, 59, of Cherry Valley Road, McDonald, died Saturday, April 17, 1999, in Canonsburg Hospital.

He was born November 4, 1939, in Midway, a son of Thelma Raab Doumont of McDonald and the late Joseph H. Doumont.

He once worked for Pennsylvania Department of Transportation and McDonald Borough. He had been retired since 1990 because of poor health.

Mr. Doumont was a lifelong member of Center United Presbyterian Church, Midway.

He enjoyed jigsaw puzzles and was a history buff.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are two sisters, Jane Phillis of Mt. Pleasant Township and Janet Cox of Oakdale; two brothers, Verne L. Doumont of Eldersville and Dale J. Doumont of Hickory; 11 nieces and nephews; and 15 great-nieces and nephews.

DOUMONT - Friends of Glenn Henry Doumont of Cherry Valley Road, McDonald, who died Saturday, April 17, 1999, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in Nation Funeral Home Inc., 220 East Lincoln Avenue, McDonald, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, April 21, with the Rev. John Salley, pastor of Center United Presbyterian Church, Midway, officiating. Interment in Center Cemetery, Midway.

### Agnes J. Yuhas

### Active in Crossroads Presbyterian Church

Agnes Josephine Yuhas, 68, of Elm Road, Hickory, died at 9:45 a.m. Monday, March 29, 1999, in Washington Hospital, following a brief illness.

She was born July 15, 1930, in Chartiers Township, a daughter of David and Lena Mae Shields Klages.

Mrs. Yuhas was a homemaker. She was a member of Crossroads Presbyterian Church, where she was active in the Mary Stewart Missionary Society and the Young at Heart, and was assistant financial secretary.

On May 30, 1950, she married Joseph Yuhas, who died August 3, 1996.

Surviving are a son, Joseph Emery Yuhas of Avella; a daughter, Barbara Ann Batove of Hickory; two sisters, Mary Hill of Hickory and Martha Johnson of Washington; and five grandchildren, Lisa, Joey Yuhas and Karey Yuhas and Leslie and Christopher Batove.

Deceased are a son, Timothy Wayne Yuhas; a granddaughter, Holli Batove; five brothers, George, Charles, David Jr., Samuel and William Klages; and three sisters, Della Jane Klages, Kathleen Klages and Mildred Malarkey.

YUHAS — Friends of Ágnes Josephine Yuhas of Elm Road, Hickory, who died Monday, March 29, 1999, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, April 1, with the Rev. David Robinson officiating. Interment will be in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory.

### Reuben Carl Tustin

# World War II veteran was a carpenter



Reuben Carl Tustin, 82, of Donnan Avenue, Washington, died at 10 p.m. Tuesday, April 13, 1999, in his home. He had been seriously ill

for the past three months.

Born January 10, 1917, in Hickory, he was a son of Reuben and Blanche Mull Tustin.

Mr. Tustin was a lifetime member of Crossroads
Presbyterian Church, Washington, and had been a carpenter, working for various contractors in the Pittsburgh area. He was last employed as a security guard for Washington Hospital.

During World War II, Mr.
Tustin served with the 394th
Fighter Squadron in the Pacific
Theater. He received the AsiaticPacific ribbon and the World War

II Victory Medal.

On September 20, 1940, he married Ruth Charlene Barney, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, William Charles and Richard Carl, both of Hickory, and Ronald Calvin Tustin of Scottsdale, Ariz.; three brothers, Woodrow Tustin of Washington, Donald Tustin of Hickory and Marshall Tustin of Newport Richey, Fla.; a sister, Gladys Prowitt of Washington; five grandchildren, Richard, William, Brian and Michael Tustin and Michele Milligan; and three greatgrandchildren.

Deceased are a brother, Clifford Tustin; and a sister, Edith Morgan.

### Bessie M. Popp

### Longtime hairdresser from Houston

Bessie M. Popp, 85, of Houston, died Thursday, March 9, 2000, in Washington Hospital.

She was born October 1, 1914, in Hickory, a daughter of Anthony and Iva Young Bataglia.

Mrs. Popp was a 1935 graduate of Hickory High School, where she was valedictorian of her class.

She was a homemaker and had been a hairdresser for more than 35 years.

Mrs. Popp was a member of First United Methodist Church in Houston.

On September 25, 1937, she married John C. Popp, who survives.

Also surviving are five sisters, Jane Kareer, Mary Chipps, Mabel King and Alice Auld, all of Washington, and Margaret Leopold of Hickory; and a brother, Ernest Rossi of Hickory.

Deceased are a brother, Harry Rossi; and a sister, Paulina Reed.

### **Charles Joseph Cody**

### Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel employee

Charles Joseph "Cool" Cody, 47, of Burgettstown, died Friday, April 16, 1999, in Smith Township, from injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

He was born March 16, 1952, in Boston, Mass., a son Eva Lombardi Cody of Ellwood and the late Samuel Joseph Cody.

Mr. Cody was employed by Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Corp.

in Follansbee, W.Va.

He was a member of Raccoon Valley Sportsmen Club and

enjoyed fishing.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are his wife, Frances Baker Cody; two sons, Charles Cody, at home, and Jason Cody of Weirton, W.Va.; two brothers, Thomas Cody of Rochester and Tim Cody of Follansbee; and four sisters, Mary Lou Orgovan and Jean Moxley, both of Ellwood, Alice Grimes of Ellport and Corrine McCartney of Carnegie.

Deceased is a brother, James

Cody.

KELLEY-In loving memory of James & Mabel Kelley on what would have been their 85th Wedding Anniversary,

April 11, 1999.



Still Lovingly Remembered by Sons and Families

# Area men killed in wrecks in Smith, Canton townships

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Two Washington County men were killed in separate vehicle ac-

cidents Friday.

Charles J. Cody, 47, of Shady Avenue, Burgettstown, died about 2:20 a.m. Friday when his car overturned on Route 18 in Smith Township.

Friday afternoon, Frederick J. Kowalski, 70, of May Avenue, Washington, was killed when his car flipped over on Route 844 in Canton Township.

Cody was driving north at 12:50 a.m. when his car failed to negotiate a sharp bend and struck a utility pole. The vehicle then flipped onto the driver's side, coming to

rest about 50 yards from the pole.

Cody was partially ejected from the car, according to a report issued by Washington County Coroner S. Timothy Warco. He was pronounced dead at the scene from multiple injuries.

Smith Township police Chief Robert King said speed was a factor in the accident.

"He died almost instantly on impact, believe me, he did," King said. "He never touched the brakes. He may have fallen asleep. When he came around the sharp turn, he just kept going straight. He never made the turn."

King said Cody was not wearing a seat belt.

The stretch of road, which is posted at 35 mph, was wet at the time of the accident.

Cody was an employee of Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel. He is survived by his wife, Frances, and two sons, Charles, at home, and Jason of Weirton, W.Va.

Smith Township police were assisted at the scene by Slovan Fire Department, Burgettstown Fire and Rescue, and Ambulance and Chair.

KELLEY-In loving memory of James & Mabel Kelley on what would have been their 85th Wedding Anniversary, April 11, 1999.

### Jennie Menichi

Member of St. Patrick Church, Canonsburg

Jennie Menichi, 97, of McDonald, formerly of Peters Township, died at 12:29 a.m. Saturday, May 1, 1999, in her home.

She was born May 1, 1902, in Donora, a daughter of Ernest and Anna Narozzi Cappelli.

Mrs. Menichi was a member of St. Patrick Roman Catholic Church, Canonsburg, and its Catholic Daughters.

She spent her lifetime in the Donora, Peters Township and Hickory areas. She was active in her community.

Mrs. Menichi was a member of Peters Township Grange and Hickory Farm Women.

She enjoyed crocheting and knitting. She especially loved her flowers.

On October 27, 1920, she married Stefano Menichi, who died January 1, 1973.

Surviving are two sons, Louis Menichi and Ernest Menichi, both of McDonald; two daughters, Erma Grego of Venetia and Anna Marie Corrado of Washington; two sisters, Emma Caponecchia of Donora and Edith Silvioni of Pittsburgh; 10 grandchildren, Roanna Sanders, Pamela Manganello, Ronald and Steven Corrado, Mary Christine D'Angelo, Chester Grego, Irene Keirsbilick, David Menichi, Lynette Ligman and Patrice Johnstonbaugh; 19 greatgrandchildren; and many nieces

and nephews.

Deceased, in addition to her husband and parents, are a brother, Angelo Cappelli; and two sisters, Louise Fontana and Theresa Caponecchia.

#### Walter Lee Cowden

#### Member of Hickory UP Church

Walter Lee Cowden, 82, of McDonald, Mt. Pleasant Township, died Friday, May 21, 1999, in Presbyterian Medical Center, Washington.

He was born May 21, 1917, in Mt. Pleasant Township, a son of Lee and Winnie Culp Cowden.

Lee and Winnie Culp Cowden.
Mr. Cowden was a 1937
graduate of Hickory High School
and attended Penn State
University for two years,
majoring in agriculture.

He was a dairy farmer, and for 25 years he was a bus driver for Fort Cherry School District.

Mr. Cowden was a longtime member and elder of Hickory United Presbyterian Church and a member of Hickory Senior Citizens.

He was a member of Parkinson's Disease Support Group at Washington Hospital.

Mr. Cowden served as president of Canonsburg Mutual Fire Insurance Co. for 25 years and was a director of the company for many years.

On March 12, 1941, he married Bettie Paxton, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Daniel L. Cowden of Zanesville, Ohio, R. Paul Cowden of Charlotte, N.C., and James Cowden of Warren; a daughter, Nancy Backenstoss of Eighty Four; three brothers, Thomas R. Cowden of Anderson, S.C., Edwin W. Cowden of McDonald and David M. Cowden of Ingram; three sisters, Rachel Hill of Boulder, Colo., Dorothy Ritchey of Wellsburg, W.Va., and Laura Weaver of Washington; eight grandchild.

Deceased is a sister, Jane Ott.

COWDEN - Friends of Walter Lee Cowden of McDonald, Mount Pleasant Township, who died Friday, May 21, 1999, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday and from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Monday in Nation Funeral Home Inc., 220 East Lincoln Avenue, McDonald. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 25, in Hickory United Presbyterian Church, Hickory. Interment will be in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. Memorial contributions may be made to Hickory United Presbyterian Church or Parkinson's Support Group at Washington Hospital.

#### Henry Pirih

#### Bronze Star recipient

Henry Pirih, 83, of McCarrell Road, Hickory, died Friday, May 7, 1999, in Washington County Health Center

He was born October 23, 1915, in Burgettstown, a son of John and Mary Pirih.

Mr. Pirih was employed at Climax-Molybdenum of Langeloth, retiring in 1987.

He was a member of St. John's Russian Orthodox Church in Canonsburg.

Mr. Pirih was a veteran of
World War II, serving as a medic in
company 105 of the Army infantry
and fighting in the Battle of the
Bulge. He was awarded the Bronze

Star.
He was a member of Veterans of
Foreign Wars and American
Legion Posts of Burgettstown and
the SNPJ Lodge of Burgettstown.

Mr. Pirih was a former horse owner at Ladbroke At,The Meadows, and he was a member of the Two Minute Club and the U.S. Trotting Association.

Trotting Association.
On November 20, 1943, he
married Eva Matyuf, who survives.

Also surviving are a son,
Michael Pirih of Hickory; a
daughter, Marian Krol of Hickory;
two grandchildren, Michael and
Marisa Pirih; a brother, Ben Pirih
of Upland Calif.; two sisters,
Caroline Kopolovich of
Washington and Poldi Rozmus of
Atlasburg; and several nieces and

nephews.
Deceased are a brother, John
Pirih; and two sisters, Amelia
Hardy and Mary Creo.

PIRIH – Friends of Henry Pirih of McCarrell Road, Hickory, who died Friday, May 7, 1999, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday and from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in Bogan Funeral Homes Inc., 164 West Pike Street, Canonsburg. A blessing service will be held at 9:30 a.m. Monday, May 10, in the funeral home, followed by services at 10 a.m. in St. John's Russian Orthodox Church, Canonsburg with the Rev. Joseph Oleynik officiating. Interment will be in Oak Spring Cemetery, Canonsburg. Full military rites will be accorded by Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 191 and American Legion Post 902. Parastas services will be held at 7:30 p.m. Saturday and 7 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home.

#### John Vettorel

#### Hickory resident was Cross Creek dairy farmer

John Vettorel, 78, of Hickory, died at 1:55 p.m. Monday, May 10, 1999, in Washington Hospital.

He was born October 18, 1920, in Raccoon, a son of Angelo and Antonetta Tonetti Vettorel.

Mr. Vettorel was a dairy farmer since 1942, spending 25 years on his farm in Cross Creek Township, from which he retired in 1987. He lived the past 11 years in Hickory.

He was a member of St. Michael Roman Catholic Church, Avella.

On December 30, 1944, he married Amelia Bonetti, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Sandy Craft of Kennedy, N.Y.; two sons, John Vettorel of Imperial and Robert Vettorel of Dalton; 12 grandchildren; three greatgrandchildren; three sisters, Edith Vannelli of Okeechobee, Fla., Evelyn Horkey of Niles, Ohio, and Kathryn Presutti of Burgettstown; and a brother, Emile Vettorel of Oakdale.

Deceased are three sisters, Flora Uzlik, Orelia Muggar and a sister who died in infancy.; and a brother, Angelo Vettorel.

VETTOREL – Friends of John Vettorel of Hickory, who died Monday, May 10, 1999, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday and 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 12, in Jerome A., Stefkovich Funeral Home Inc., 18 Campbell Street, Avella, followed at 2 p.m. by Mass of Christian Burial in St. Michael Roman Catholic Church, Avella, with the Rev. Pierre G. Sodini as celebrant. Burial in Fairview Cemetery, Burgettstown. Memorial contributions may be made to Hickory Volunteer Fire Department.

#### Joseph Wylie Hartzog

## Army veteran of WW II and Korea

Joseph Wylie Hartzog, 78, of Maple Terrace View, Washington, died at 8:55 a.m. Friday, May 15, 1999, in Washington Hospital. He had been ill since March.

He was born March 29, 1921, in Washington, a son of James and Anna C. Clemens Hartzog.

Mr. Hartzog spent 16 years with the U.S. Army, retiring because of an injury. He served during World War II and in Korea. He was a drill sergeant and served in the military police in New Guinea and the Philippines in Mindanao and the Zig Zag Pass and had been with the 24th Infantry Division.

Mr. Hartzog was a plumber with Pat Charmley and worked in construction with Charles Hobbs.

He was a former member of the Jessop Club, Alpine Club and Arden Club.

On April 14, 1954, he married Tomiko Nishimura, who survives.

Also surviving are a son,
James W. Hartzog of Gordon, Ga.;
four daughters, Linda Williams
and June Cass, both of
Washington, and Linda A. Smith
and Wanda J. Howard, both of
Macon, Ga.; a brother, Thomas
Hartzog of Washington; eight
grandchildren; and six great
grandchildren.

Deceased are six brothers, David, James, Russell, John, Robert and Paul; and four sisters, Mary, Pearl, Emmie and Arlane.

HARTZOG – Friends of Joseph Wylie Hartzog of Maple Terrace View, Washington, who died Friday, May 15, 1999, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, May 16. Interment in Washington Cemetery. Military rites will be conducted graveside by Edwin Scott Linton Post 175 of the American Legion.

#### J.R. Konecheck

#### Retired carpenter was Korean conflict veteran

J. Raymond Konecheck, 71, of Avella died at 8:45 p.m. Friday, May 7, 1999, in the emergency room of Washington Hospital.

He was born April 28, 1928, in Cross Creek Township, Avella, a son of Joseph and Lena Cepres

Konecheck.

He served as a private first class in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers during the Korean conflict. He was a member of Burgettstown American Legion Post 698 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6490 of Atlasburg.

Mr. Konecheck was a union carpenter for 45 years before retiring in 1990. He was a member of Carpenters Local 230 of

Pittsburgh.

Mr. Konecheck was a member of Indian Springs Rod and Gun and Avella Sportsmen. He enjoyed the outdoors, especially fly-tying, hunting, fishing and picking mushrooms and berries.

On July 11, 1953, he married Laura M. Jancart, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Mark Raymond Konecheck of Avella; a daughter, Debra Lee Federoff of Cross Creek Village; four grandchildren, Scott and Shaun Sweder, and Chanel and Josh Konecheck; a brother, Thomas E. Konecheck of Houston; and a sister, Evelyn M. Vicheck of Avella.

A brother, Eugene Konecheck, is deceased.

KONECHECK – Friends of J. Raymond Konecheck of Avella, who died Friday, May 7, 1999, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Monday in Jerome A. Stefkovich Funeral Home Inc., 18 Campbell Street, Avella. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 11, in St. Michael Roman Catholic Church, Avella, with the Rev. Pierre G. Sodini as celebrant. Burial in the church cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society.

#### Julia Dagnana

#### Hickory homemaker

Julia Dagnana, 96, of Hickory, died at 8:45 a.m. Saturday, November 6, 1999, in Canonsburg Hospital, following a brief illness.

She was born April 25, 1903, in Hopedale, Ohio, a daughter of Angelo and Louise Calageria Zambon

Mrs. Dagnana was a homemaker.

On August 12, 1922, she married Loreto Dagnana, who died March 31, 1966.

Surviving are a son, Ralph Dagnana of Hickory; two daughters, Virginia Cassidy of Washington and Dorothy Hill of Hickory; a brother, Albert Zambon of Hopedale, Ohio; a sister, Eleanor Scherille of the state of California; five grandchildren, Alan Hill, Kimberly Gilbert, Tammy Gilmore, Robyn Gardner and Timothy Cassidy; and six greatgrandchildren.

Deceased are an infant son and a great-granddaughter.

#### Joanna Madge Carl

#### 12-year resident of Hickory

Joanna Madge Carl, 62, of Hickory, died at 1:10 p.m. Saturday, August 28, 1999, in University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Pittsburgh.

She was born August 26, 1937, in Independence Township, Avella, a daughter of the late Mansel and Joanna Miller Brautigam.

Mrs. Carl lived in Hickory since

1987.

On June 10, 1961, she married Riley R. Carl, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Ellen Dawn Bredel of Clairton and Susan Marie Carl of Avella; six grandchildren, James, Nathan and Shawn Carl, and Randy, Rachel and Christopher Bredel; two sisters, Dorothy "Sue" Frye of Houston and Carrie Carl of New Cumberland, W.Va.; and a brother, Clyde Brautigam of Washington.

Two brothers, George and Harold Brautigam, are deceased.

DAGNANA - Friends of Julia Dagnana of Hickory, who died Saturday, November 6, 1999. will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Monday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Wash-

ington, where services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, November 9, with the Rev. William Volpe officiating. Interment will fol-

low in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory.

#### Freddy Gilbert

## Pony League Hall of Fame inductee



Freddy Gilbert, 63, of Canonsburg, died Saturday, August 28, 1999, in Vencore Hospital, Oakdale.

He was born May 20, 1936, in

Marianna, a son of the late Arthur and Emma Issac Gilbert.

He was a member of First Baptist Church, Westland.

Mr. Gilbert coached youth baseball, football and basketball. In 1989, he was inducted into the Pony League Hall of Fame.

Prior to his retirement, he was employed as a psychiatric aide at Mayview State Hospital.

He was a 1955 graduate of Canonsburg High School.

Mr. Gilbert spent four years in the U.S. Air Force and served 10 years in the U.S. Navy.

On June 27, 1959, he married Janet G. Scott, who survives.

Also surviving are four sons, Randy Gilbert of Pittsburgh, Scott Gilbert of South Park, and Gary Gilbert and Guy Gilbert, both of Canonsburg; a daughter, Sandy Gilbert of Canonsburg; four sisters, Marie Gilbert, Doris Gilbert, Pauline Dungee and Flossie Liggons, his twin sister, all of Canonsburg; a brother, Clarence Gilbert of Pittsburgh; and four grandchildren, Brandon, Kristan, Michelle and Chloe Gilbert.

Deceased, in addition to his parents, are a brother, John Gilbert; and two sisters, Lucille Gilbert and Dolores Gilbert.

#### A. Glenn Wilson Sr.

WWII vet worked as upholsterer



A. Glenn
Wilson Sr., 73, of
Washington, died
Wednesday,
April 28, 1999, in
Washington
County Health
Center.

He was born August 21, 1925, in Washington, a son of Gordon A. and Maude Wilson.

Mr. Wilson was Protestant.

A 1944 graduate of Washington High School, he worked as an upholsterer for West Liberty State College.

During World War II, he served with the U.S. Navy, and he was a member of Edwin Scott Linton Post 175 of the American

Legion.

Mr. Wilson also was a member of B.P.O.E. Lodge 776 of Washington.

On June 17, 1951, in Washington, he married Elizabeth Wheeler, who died May 4, 1998.

Surviving are four sons, A. Glenn Wilson Jr. of Winfield, Daniel L. Wilson of Washington, James J. Wilson and Patrick A. Wilson, both of Claysville; four brothers, Gordon Wilson, Robert "Pete" Wilson and Charles Wilson, all of .Washington, and John Wilson of Miami, Fla.; a sister, Mary Ferguson of Orlando, Fla.; five grandchildren, A. Glenn Wilson III, Callin S. Wilson, Zachary J. Wilson, Jacob D., Wilson and Lettie Elizabeth Wilson; and several nieces and nephews.

## Frank Leopold Trucker was life member of Mt. Pleasant VFD

Frank Leopold, 73, of Grandview Avenue, Hickory, died at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday, October 13, 1999, in ManorCare Health Services, McMurray.

He was born August 29, 1926, in Burgettstown, a son of Frank and Nellie Steveson Leopold.

He was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Leopold served in the U.S. Army during World War II and was stationed in the Philippines.

He was a life member of Mt.
Pleasant Township Volunteer
Fire Department in Hickory and
a member of Houston American
Legion Post 902.

Mr. Leopold was formerly employed as a truck driver for Gutman Oil.

In March 1948, he married Margaret Louella Rossi, who survives.

Also surviving are a son,
Frank R. Leopold of Powhatan
Point, Ohio; a daughter, Cathy
Ann Whetzel of Hickory; a sister,
Jean Scull of Glenwillard; five
grandchildren, Cynde Leopold,
Joy Curfman, Matthew Whetzel,
Joshua Battistone and Jamie
Whetzel; and two greatgrandchildren.

A sister, Willa Bane, is deceased.

LEOPOLD – Friends of Frank Leopold of Grandview Avenue, Hickory, who died Wednesday, October 13, 1999, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, October 16, with the Rev. Douglas R. Reinard officiating. Interment in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory.

#### George W. Haught

## Retired from Consolidated Coal

George William "Gig" Haught, 84, of Washington, formerly of Westland, died at 11:14 p.m. Tuesday, September 7, 1999, in his home following a six-month illness.

He was born December 8, 1914, in McConnells Mill, a son of Collin Reed and Louisa Boyd Haught.

Mr. Haught was a motorman for Consolidated Coal at Westland Mine prior to his retirement.

He was a charter member, life member and president of Westland Sportsman's Club, a member of United Mine Workers District 5, the Loyal Order of Moose Lodge 22 of Washington and a social member of Jessop Club and Houston American Legion Post.

Surviving are a daughter, Sharon Lynn Amos of Washington, with whom he made his home; two brothers, James and Wayne Haught, both of Canonsburg; six grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Deceased are three brothers, Albert, John and Dale Haught; and a sister, Fannie Schweinebraten;

At the request of the deceased, there will be no public visitation. Interment will be private, at the convenience of the family, with burial in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions to the American Cancer Society. Arrangements are by William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd.

#### Clifford Snedeker Sr.

Retired steelworker served in the U.S. Army

Clifford A. Snedeker Sr., 70, of Hickory, died Saturday, August 28, 1999, in Canonsburg Hospital.

He was born May 3, 1929, in Mt. Pleasant Township, a son of Andrew E. and Gladys M. Morrow Snedeker.

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He served in the U.S. Army.
Mr. Snedeker retired in 1988
from Universal Cyclops,
Bridgeville. During his more
than 30 years of employment, he
served in many capacities,
including working in the bar
mill.

He was a member of American Legion Post 902 of Houston and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 191 of Canonsburg. He was a member of SNPJ of Southview and United Steelworkers of America.

In 1954, he married Edna Jean Hazlett, who died in 1986.

Surviving are a son, Clifford A. "Buddy" Snedeker Jr. of Hickory; two daughters, Suzan Lee Holmes of Southview and Gladys Marie DeMarco; two sisters, Mary Jane Engle of McDonald and Ann Pryor of Washington; six grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Deceased are a brother, Thomas Snedeker; and a sister,

Betty Sethman.

SNEDEKER – Friends of Clifford A. Snedeker Sr. of Hickory, who died Saturday, August 28, 1999, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Monday in Nation Funeral Home Inc., McDonald, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, August 31, with the Rev. Carl Martin, pastor of Independent Bible Presbyterian Church, McDonald, officiating. Interment in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Mt. Pleasant Township.

#### Frank C. Alexander

Crane operator for J&L Steel Co.

Frank C. Alexander, 67, of Sturgeon, died Monday, December 6, 1999, in Sewickley Valley Hospital, McKees Rocks.

He was born August 11, 1932, in South Fayette Township, a son of Frank G. and Emma Vandenberg Alexander.

Mr. Alexander was a crane operator at J&L Steel Co. for 28 years and drove a school bus for 10 years, until 1997, for South Fayette School District.

He was a member of United Steelworkers of America.

On February 20, 1954, he married Dolores C. Baronti, who survives.

Also surviving are four daughters, Debora L. Tropeck of Sturgeon, Sharon A. Webster of Joffre, Rita L. Cooke of Hickory and Sandra L. Sheets of Atlasburg; nine grandchildren, Kevin, Carrie and Keith Tropeck, Diane Wussick, Tami Crawford, Christa and Clayton Cooke, Danielle Herring and Jeffrey Sheets; and a greatgranddaughter.

Deceased are a grandson, Tyler Sheets; and three greatgrandchildren.

ALEXANDER – Friends of Frank C. Alexander of Sturgeon, who died Monday, December 6, 1999, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday in Nation Funeral Home Inc., 220 East Lincoln Avenue, McDonald, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, December 9, with the Rev. Rick Sheets, pastor of McDonald Alliance Church, officiating, Interment will follow in Robinson Run Cemetery, McDonald.

#### Sara Rohrbacher

## Member of IC Church was avid bowler

Sara A. Rohrbacher, 79, of Washington, died Saturday, November 6, 1999, in Canonsburg Hospital.

She was born July 30, 1920, in Morgantown, W.Va., a daughter of Domenico and Rosa Nicoletti Marra.

Mrs. Rohrbacher was a member of Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church of Washington.

She was a graduate of Immaculate Conception High School.

Mrs. Rohrbacher was employed by Snyder's Answering Service.

She was inducted into the Washington County Bowlers Hall of Fame.

On July 19, 1941, she married Erwin F. Rohrbacher Sr., who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Erwin F. Rohrbacher Jr. and Robert J. Rohrbacher, both of Washington; a daughter, Joyce A. Hostinsky of-North Brunswick, N.J.; a brother, Samuel Marra of Washington; six grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased is a brother, Domenic Marra.

ROHRBACHER — Friends of Sara A. Rohrbacher of Washington, who died Saturday, November 6, 1999, will be received from noon to 3 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in Piatt & Barnhill Funeral Home, 420 Locust Avenue, Washington. Funeral Liturgy will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Monday, November 8, in Immaculate Conception Church, Washington, with the Rev. John Forbidussi as celebrant. Interment will follow in Queen of Heaven Cemetery. The family suggests memorial contributions to the charity of choice. Piatt & Barnhill Funeral Directors Inc.

#### **Bernard Skowvron**

## WWII veteran worked for McGraw-Edison

Bernard Joseph Skowvron, 75, of Houston, died Friday, November 5, 1999, in Washington Hospital.

He was born September 22, 1924, in Strabane, a son of John and Mary Zaucha Skowvron.

Mr. Skowvron worked for Canonsburg Flooring and in the general maintenance department at McGraw-Edison, Canonsburg.

He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the U.S. Navy in the Pacific Theater.

Mr. Skowvron was a member of Sacred Heart of Jesus Polish National Catholic Church, Canonsburg.

He was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 553 of Strabane.

Surviving are his wife,
Dorothy Martinsky Skowvron;
two sons, Jonathan Skowvron of
Raleigh, N.C., and Jeffrey
Skowvron of Hickory; four
brothers, Frank, Peter and
Theodore Skowvron, all of
Houston, and Walter Skowvron
of Washington; a sister, Dorothy
Zieba of Houston; and three
grandchildren, Christy Marie
and Brian Jonathan Skowvron,
and Julie Skowvron Byrd.

Deceased are two brothers, John J. Jr., and Stanley Skowvron; and a sister, Mary Skowvron Shuba.

SKOWVRON – Friends of Bernard Joseph Skowvron of Houston, who died Friday, November 5, 1999, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in Mario L. DeAngelo Funeral Home, 194 East College Street, Canonsburg, where services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, November 8, with the Rev. Joseph Lewandowski, pastor of Sacred Heart of Jesus Polish National Catholic Church, officiating. Interment will follow in the church cemetery. Military honors will be accorded by the honor guard of American Legion Post 902 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 191. A blessing service will be held at 7:30 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home. The family suggests memorial contributions to a charity of choice.

#### Clara M. Pettitt

## Ohio woman born in Taylorstown

Clara M. Pettitt, 86, of 3918 South Main Street, Hubbard, Ohio, died at 3:08 p.m. Sunday, August 13, 2000, in her residence.

She was born October 23, 1913, in Taylorstown, a daughter of Virgie Clemens Greer.

Mrs. Pettitt, a homemaker, moved to Hubbard in 1939, where she was a member of First Presbyterian Church.

On June 19, 1937, she married Henry B. Pettitt, who survives.

Also surviving are three sisters, Gladys Briggs and Edna Miller, both of Washington, and Grace Friend of Canonsburg.

Deceased are two brothers, Earnest and Jenkin Ellis.

# Washington County man dies in crash

Head-on collision claims the lives of two in Allegheny National Forest

A Washington County man was one of two people killed in an accident early Sunday in Warren County.

State police said Dennis Atchison, 31, of Washington R.D.2, died in the accident at 3:30 a.m. which also killed the driver of the car in which he was a passenger.

Also killed was Doreen E. Flick, 21, of Tiona, Warren County. They were pronounced dead at the scene of the accident, which happened on U.S. Route 6, about 10 miles south of Warren, in the Allegheny National Forest.

Police said the Flick car was traveling east when a collision occurred in its lane with a van driven by Brian M. Petruney, 17, of Sheffield.

Petruney and three teenage passengers were hospitalized.

Atchison was a graduate of Fort Cherry High School and worked as a dockworker for Overnight Transportation Co.

Surviving are his wife, Grace E. (Goldie) Ankrom Achison, his mother, Ivadean Atchison-Mays of Washington, and his grandparents.

PETTITT - Friends of Clara M. Pettitt of 3918 South Main Street, Hubbard, Ohio, who died Sunday, August 13, 2000, will be received from 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday in Stewart-Kyle Funeral Home, 407 West Liberty Street. Hubbard, Ohio, where services will be held

at 11 a.m. Wednesday, August 16. Burial will follow in Hubbard Union Cemetery.

#### **Christine Bruckner**

#### Member of Allison Avenue Baptist Church

Christine Loraine Bruckner, 70, of Ridgewood Drive, North Franklin Township, died at 9:18 p.m. Saturday, December 25, 1999, in her home following a long illness.

She was born July 18, 1929, in Washington, a daughter of Clyde and Helen Ross Kelley.

Mrs. Bruckner was a homemaker and longtime member of Allison Avenue Baptist Church in Washington.

She was a graduate of Trinity

High School.

Mrs. Bruckner enjoyed photography, gardening and reading.

On June 5, 1948, she married Reese E. Bruckner, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Kathleen Susan Maloy and Sherri Christine Borkowski, both of Washington; four sons, Rick Edward Bruckner of Eight Four, and Daniel Clyde, Carl Michael and Gregory Paul Bruckner, all of Washington; a brother, Clyde W. Kelley of Hickory; a sister, Violet Byers of Claysville; 16 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a brother, Paul Kelley; and a sister, Helen

Baumgardner.

Memorial contributions may be made to Landmark Health Care and Hospice, 5316 Route 8, Second Floor, Gibsonia, PA 15044.

Services will be held at a time to be announced. Arrangements are under the direction of Hummell and Barnhill Memorial Chapel, Washington.

#### Kenneth L. Ashmore

#### Retired from Brockway Glass



Kenneth L.
Ashmore, 81, of
Ashmore Road,
Washington, died
Tueşday,
December 21,
1999, in
Washington

Hospital.

He was born November 1, 1918, in Taylorstown, a son of Thomas Arthur and Anne B. Woodward Ashmore.

Prior to his retirement, he had been employed as an operator for 32 years at Brockway Glass Plant 7. He also was a farmer.

Mr. Ashmore was a member of North Buffalo Presbyterian Church, a charter member of Taylorstown American Legion Post 907 and a member of White

Hunting Camp in Emporium. He enjoyed hunting.

Mr. Ashmore was a 1938 graduate of Claysville High

School.

He served in the U.S. Army during World War II in India-Burma and Central Burma theaters, receiving the Good Conduct Medal, American Campaign Medal and World War

II Victory Medal. On December 20, 1946, he married Nellie G. Miller, who

Survives.
Also surviving are two sons,
James A. Ashmore, at home, and
Bruce Ashmore of Washington; a
daughter, Wendy D. Ashmore of
Washington; two brothers, Leon
and Merlin Ashmore, both of
Washington; two sisters, Mabel
Reck of Washington and Marion
Miller of Avella; and a grandson,
Michael Bonato.

Deceased are a brother, Robert Ashmore; and a sister, Evelyn Watkins.

ASHMORE – Friends of Kenneth L. Ashmore of Ashmore Road, Washington, who died Tuesday, December 21, 1999, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, December 23, with Pastor Gary Gibson officiating. Interment in North Buffalo Church Cemetery. Military rites will be conducted graveside by Claysville American Legion Post. Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of donor's choice or North Buffalo Presbyterian Church.

#### Laura Jane Kelley

#### Attended Friendship Community Church

Laura Jane Naylor Kelley, 68,



of McKee Road, Washington, died at 2:50 a.m. Friday, January 28, 2000, in her home, following a nine-year illness.

She was born October 4, 1931, in

Washington, a daughter of Mack and Onnie Jett Naylor.

Mrs. Kelley attended Friendship Community Church, Washington.

On June 29, 1947, she married John Raymond Kelley, who survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Bonnie Yingling, Susan Adams and Cindy Sue Hewitt, all of Washington; six brothers, Jimmy Naylor of Akron, Ohio, Norman Naylor of Riverside, Fla., Arnold Naylor of Jefferson, Richard Naylor of Juliet, Ill., Woodrow Naylor of Looneyville, W.Va., and Homer Naylor of Bradenton, Fla.; three sisters, Elsie Fowler of Chiefland, Fla., Dixie Kelley of Washington and Maxine Nevis of Youngstown, Ohio; six grandchildren, Marcy Davies, Misty Sue Hewitt, Jason Adams, Melissa Madison, Kenneth Yingling Jr. and Kristal McGrath; and six greatgrandchildren.

Deceased are a grandchild, David B. Adams Jr.; two brothers, Ray and Herman Naylor; two sisters, Ochel Henderson and Opal Naylor; four half brothers, Lewis, Nelson, Dalton and Arley Cliston Naylor; and four half sisters, Ramey and Ivy Cook, Lora Nighta and

Gussey Kelley.

KELLEY - Friends of Laura Jane Naylor Kelley of McKee Road, Washington, who died Friday, January 28, 2000, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Monday, January 31, with the Rev. Floyd Marasco officiating. Interment will follow in North Buffalo Church Cemetery tery.

#### Joseph Mulshen Sr.

#### Member of VFW Post 191

Joseph Mulshen Sr., 73, of 312 Point View Drive, Washington, died Sunday, Janaury 23, 2000, in Canonsburg Hospital.

He was born March 12, 1926, in Westland, a son of John and

Blanche Mulshen.

Mr. Mulshen attended Westland grade school and Hickory High School.

He was employed for 20 years at McGraw-Edison of Canonsburg. He later retired from Volkswagen of America in New Stanton.

Mr. Mulshen served with the U.S. Coast Guard during the

Korean conflict.

He was a member of Independent Club of Houston, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 191 of Canonsburg and American Legion Post 902 of Houston.

On September 27, 1991, he married Patricia L. Schary, who

survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Joseph Mulshen of Eighty Four, and David and Kenneth Andrews, both of Canonsburg; eight grandchildren, Scott and Kiley Mulshen, and David, Shane, Kehlen, Jodi, Taci and Shay Andrews; two great-grandchildren; a brother, Julius Casper of Washington; and a sister, Stella Piechnik of Canonsburg.

Deceased are four brothers, Steve, Zigmund, Bernard and Chester Casper; and a sister,

Viola Kerin.

Services and burial will be private and held at the convenience of the family. Arrangements were handled by Bogan Funeral Home Inc., Canonsburg.

#### Mary Ellen Hill

#### Member of Atlasburg Church of the Nazarene

Mary Ellen Hill, 77, of Main Street, Hickory, died at 5:15 a.m. Tuesday, January 4, 2000, in her home.

She was born December 25, 1922, in Chartiers Township, a daughter of David and Lena Mae Shields Klages.

Mrs. Hill was a member of Atlasburg Church of the Nazarene, was a church steward and Sunday school secretary.

She had been employed by Ace Reconditioning and enjoyed sewing and made wedding cakes.

On January 19, 1945, she married Harry Hill, who died June 30, 1983.

Surviving are a sister, Martha Johnson of Washington; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are five brothers, George, Charles, David Jr., Samuel and William Klages; and four sisters, Della Jane Klages, Mildred Malarkey, Agnes Yuhas and Kathleen Klages.

HILL – Friends of Mary Ellen Hill of Mair Street, Hickory, who died Tuesday, January 4, 2000, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday in William G. Near Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue Washington, where services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Friday, January 7, with the Rev. Jeff Kramer officiating. Interment in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory.

#### Reginald E. Crowley

#### Former Hickory resident

Reginald E. Crowley, 55, of Sommerville, S.C., formerly of Hickory, died Saturday, July 1, 2000, in Sommerville.

He was born March 29, 1945, in Washington, a son of the late Chester R. and Myrtle Kendall Crowley.

Mr. Crowley was a graduate of Fort Cherry High School and was a custom cabinet maker.

Surviving are his wife, Shirley Ruskowski Crowley; one son, Ronald Crowley of Sommerville; two daughters, Michelle Hoffman and Amy Brumbak, both of Sommerville; two brothers, Robert W. Crowley of Hickory and Ronald D. Crowley of McDonald; two sisters, Betty Jo Salansky of Sandwich, Ill., and Rebecca Sue Lucoski of West Palm Beach, Fla.; and three grandchildren.

CROWLEY – Friends of Reginald E. Crowley of Sommerville, S.C., formerly of Hickory, who died Saturday, July 1, 2000, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in McIlvaine Funeral Home Ltd., 27

Cherry Avenue, Houston, where services will be held 1 p.m. Wednesday, July 5, with the Rev. Paul Salansky officiating. Interment will be in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory.

Woodruff Family Services LLP.

#### Georgianna Hammond

### Volunteer at Western Center

Georgianna Mae Hammond, 72, of Washington, formerly of Westland, died Saturday, February 19, 2000, in Washington Hopsital.

She was born November 27, 1927, in Robinson Township, a daughter of John Emerson and Louise Allen Grant Bentrem.

Mrs. Hammond was a member of Crossroads United Presbyterian Church and a former member of Westland United Presbyterian Church.

She worked from 1964 to 1988 in Western Center in Canonsburg as a supervisor in the laundry

department.

Mrs. Hammond was a 1945 graduate of Hickory High School

She volunteered at Presbyterian Home in Washington and at Western Center.

On April 1, 1950, she married Earl D. Hammond Jr., who died May 31, 1983.

Surviving are a son, Earl D. Hammond III of Canonsburg; two daughters, Sandy McWilliams of Canonsburg and Debbie McFarland of Washington; a sister, Margaret Casper of Westland; a brother, Robert Bentrem of Washington; eight grandchildren; and three greatgrandchildren.

Deceased is a sister, Mary Jane Strimel.

HAMMOND – Friends of Georgiann Mae Hammond of Washington, formerly of Westland, who died Saturday, February 19, 2000, will be received from 4 to 9 p.m. Sunday and noon to 1:30 p.m., the hour of services, Monday, February 21, in McIlvain-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., 27 Cherry Avenue, Houston. Interment will follow in Forest Lawn Gardens, McMurray. Woodruff Family Services, LLP.

#### **Alex Nagy**

#### Former owner of Susie Q Tavern in Hickory

Alex Nagy, 88, of Hickory, died Thursday, February 17, 2000, in Canonsburg Hospital.

Born August 26, 1911, in Blaine, Ohio, he was a son of

Louis and Julia Nagy.

Mr. Nagy and his wife had been owners of Susie Q Tavern in Hickory.

He was a life member of Mt.
Pleasant Township Volunteer
Fire Department, Loyal Order of
Moose Lodge 127, Canonsburg,
and Westland Sportsman's Club.

He also was a 50-year member of Fraternal Order of Eagles in

Bridgeport, Ohio.

On August 16, 1940, he married Anna R. Skripek, who died December 8, 1996.

Surviving are a son, Charles Nagy of Hickory; a daughter, Barbara Moninger of Washington; five grandchildren, Bradley John Wurtzer, Krista Lee Miller, Kimberly Renee Hanna, and Craig C. Nagy and Tiffany R. Nagy; two greatgranddaughters; and two sisters, Mary Tingler and Goldie Sinkhorn, both of Bridgeport, Ohio.

Three brothers, Kalman, Julius and Frank Nagy, are

deceased.

NAGY – Friends of Alex Nagy of Hickory, who died Thursday, February 17, 2000, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., 27 Cherry Avenue, Houston, where services will be held 11 a.m. Monday, February 21, with the Rev. Robert Brooks officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. Woodruff Family Services, L.L.P.

#### Alberta R. Kiger

Harness racing fan



Alberta
"Bertie" R. Kiger,
75, of Meadow
Lands, died
Friday, June 23,
2000, in
Washington
Hospital.

She was born June 1, 1925, in Washington, a daughter of George and Hazel Keenan

Reynolds.

Mrs. Kiger was a member of Meadow Lands United Methodist Church and Chartiers Senior Citizens

She was involved with American Cancer Society Relay for Life Team, affiliated with harness horse racing all of her life and was a homemaker.

On November 29, 1947, she married Jack H. Kiger, who

survives.

Surviving are a son, Dick Kiger of Waynesburg; four daughters, Hazel Bradshaw of Claysville, Mibby Kiger of Canonsburg, Cynie Murray of Patagonia, Ariz., and Jackie Butenschoen of Merengo, Ill.; six grandchildren, Julie Dille, Jennifer and Jessica Bradshaw, Amanda and Sara Kiger and Tyler Butenschoen; a greatgrandson; and a sister, Betty Seitz of Hickory.

Deceased is a grandson, Sean

Butenschoen.

The family requests that memorial contributions be made to the American Cancer Society.

KIGER – Friends of Alberta R. Kiger of Meadow Lands, who died Friday, June 23, 2000, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., 27 Cherry Avenue, Houston, where services will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, June 26, with the Rev. Michael Kundrat officiating. Interment will be private. Woodruff Family Services LLP.

#### **Eula Jane Hines**

Longtime Amity resident

Eula Jane Hines, 96, of Amity R.D.1, died Saturday, June 10, 2000, in Beverly Health Care Center, Waynesburg.

She was born January 3, 1904, in Diana, W.Va., a daughter of Okey Blaine and Belle Greene Townsend.

Mrs. Hines was a homemaker and longtime member of Holly River Baptist Church in Diana. She had resided in West Bethlehem Township, Amity R.D.1, most of her life.

In 1922, she married Walter P.

Hines, who died in 1952.

Surviving are a son, Walter R. Hines of Amity; a daughter, Maribel Sweany of Clarksville; three brothers, Raymond Townsend of Diana and Zane Gray Townsend and Loren Townsend, both of the state of Virginia; a sister, Louise Carpenter of Cowan, W.Va.; six grandchildren, Janet Tate, Diana Ross, John and Lloyd Sweany, Olivia Guthrie, and Kevin R. Hines; 12 great-grandchildren; a great-great-granddaughter; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a son, Wilbert Hines, who died in 1945; three brothers, Elliot, Leslie and Junior Townsend; four sisters, Zilpha Ware, Virginia and Merle Cogar, and Wilkie Williams; and a grandson, Leonard Sweany.

HINES – Friends of Eula Jane Hines of Amity R.D.1, who died Saturday, June 10, 2000, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in Nichol Funeral Home, 1728 Main Street, Marianna, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, June 14, with the Rev. James Cannon officiating. Interment will follow in Hom Cemetery, Marianna.

#### Martha J. Miller

## Member of Hickory UP Church

Martha J. Miller, 81, of Hickory, died at 6:10 p.m. Monday, March 27, 2000, in Washington County Health Center, Washington.

She was born May 9, 1918, in Cross Creek, a daughter of John and Nannie Thompson Powelson.

Mrs. Miller was a graduate of

Hickory High School.

She worked as a cosmetologist, manager and sales representative for Sarah Coventry and was a sales representative for C.A. Reed.

Mrs. Miller was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church, Hickory Women's Club and Mt. Prospect Historical Society.

On October 28, 1938, she married William C. Miller, who

died February 16, 1987.

Surviving are a son, John C. Miller of the Hickory area; and a grandson, Dennis Schurr of Hopedale, Ohio.

Mrs. Miller was the last of her

immediate family.

Deceased are a son, William
Rex Miller; two brothers, Ralph
and Leonard Scott Powelson; and
four sisters, Helen Findling,
Alverda Stewart, Ruth
Biernesser and Pearl Spense.

MILLER – Friends of Martha J. Miller of Hickory, who died Monday, March 27, 2000, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday in Jerome A. Stefkovich Funeral Home Inc., 18 Campbell Street, Avella, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, March 31, with the Rev. Doug Reinard, pastor of Hickory United Presbyterian Church, officiating. Burial will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory.

#### Marcella M. Campbell

#### Oldest member of Venice Presbyterian Church

Marcella M. Campbell, 100, of Venice, died Wednesday, June 28, 2000, in Horizon Senior Care, Canonsburg.

She was born August 13, 1899, in Pittsburgh, a daughter of Fred and Emma Noble Schurr.

Mrs. Campbell was the oldest member of Venice Presbyterian Church, where she had long served as a deacon and was a member of BBC Sunday school class. She was a member of Millers Run Grange.

Surviving are a daughter, Kay Moore of Cecil; a son, Allan Mike Campbell of Hickory; 10 grandchildren; 16 greatgrandchildren; and three greatgreat-grandchildren.

Deceased are her husband, George Campbell Sr.; two daughters, Edna Mae Tournay and Mary Kendzlic; a son, George Campell Jr.; three brothers, Herman, Roy and Raymond Schurr; a grandchild; and two great-grandchildren.

#### Joseph Dellapiazza

#### Longtime Consol employee

Joseph "Bep" Dellapiazza, 77, of Hickory, died Sunday, September 3, 2000, in his home.

He was born October 22, 1922, in Joffre, a son of John and Stella

Menagon Dellapiazza.

Mr. Dellapiazza was a miner, employed by Consol for 40 years. He retired in 1986.

In 1946, he married Rose Preterotti, who died Feb. 10, 1994.

Surviving are a daughter, Flora Gibson of Atlasburg; and two grandchildren, Dawn Michelle and Clint Richard Gibson.

Deceased are a son who died at birth; and a brother, John Dellapiazza.

All visitation and services will be private at the request of the

deceased.

Arrangements are being handled by Nation Funeral Home Inc., McDonald.

CAMPBELL – Friends of Marcella M. Campbell of Venice, who died Wednesday, June 28, 2000, will be recieved from noon to 9 p.m. Friday in Eugene C. Coleman Funeral

Home, Route 50, Cecil. Additional visitation will be from 10 to 11 a.m., the hour of service, Saturday, July 1, in Venice Presbyterian Church, with the Rev. Craig Kephart officiating. Interment will follow in Venice Cemetery. The family suggests

memorials be made to Venice Presbyter-

ian Church.

#### John McGivern

#### Truck driver with Teamsters

John (Jack) McGivern, 60, of Hickory, died unexpectedly Wednesday, September 6, 2000, in his home.

He was born August 17, 1940, in Washington, a son of the late William McGivern and Theresa Abbott McGivern Russell. He was rajsed by his mother and her second husband, James Russell Sr.

of Burgettstown.

Mr. McGivern worked as a truck driver for 30 years, retiring in 1988. During his career, he worked for Clouston Trucking, Kaplan Trucking, Chemical Leaman Tank Lines and Five Point Trucking.

He was a member of the Teamsters union, Midway SNPJ and was a social member of Midway and Bulger Veterans of

Foreign Wars.

On November 7, 1960, he married Carol Ann Panconi, who died April 30, 1980. Surviving are two sons, John

Paul and Alfred James McGivern, both of Hickory; a daughter, Mary Madeline Gasbarro of Hickory; two brothers, James R. Russell of Moon Township and Michael Russell of Paris; three sisters, Theresa M. Yuricic of Oakdale, Jane Ohl of Hanlin Stations and Darlene Cork of Pleasant Hills; five grandchildren, Melissa Ann, Johnna Lynn and Victoria Lee McGivern, Vincenzo Giovanni and Carolena Marie Gasbarro.

His companion, with whom he made his home for many years, is Fran Stanish of Midway.

Deceased is a brother, William

McGivern.

MCGIVERN – Friends of John (Jack) McGivern of Hickory, who died Wednesday, September 6, 2000, will be received from 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday and noon to 4 p.m., the hour of services, Sunday, September 10, in Nation Funeral Home Inc., 220 East Lincoln Avenue, McDonald.

#### Margaret B. Brown

Formerly employed by Lang's Department Store

Margaret B. Brown, 85, of Hickory, died Thursday, August 31, 2000, in Presbyterian Senior Care, Washington.

She was born April 11, 1915, in the Bulger area, a daughter of William and Margaret Penderville Clark.

Mrs. Brown was a member of the former Guardian Angel Roman Catholic Church in Southview.

She had been employed by Gimbel's Department Store in South Hills Village and Langs Department Store at Washington Mall.

On April 9, 1934, she married Richard W. Brown, who died in 1967.

Surviving are two sons,
Richard C. Brown of Hickory and
William J. Brown of
Canonsburg; a daughter, Nancy
Sine of Cumberland, Md.; a
brother, Jack Clark; three
sisters, Helen Cummins, Lois
Brust and Mona Lee Riley; six
grandchildren; two greatgrandchildren; and many nieces
and nephews.

Deceased are a son, James L. Brown; a daughter, Margaret Carson Brown; a brother, William Clark; and a sister, Loretta Malone.

BROWN – Friends of Margaret B. Brown of Hickory, who died Thursday, August 31, 2000, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in Molvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., 27 Cherry Avenue, Houston. Additional visitation will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., the hour of service, Saturday, September 2, in Hickory United Presbyterian Church, with the Rev. Douglas Reinard officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. The family suggests memorial contributions be made to the charity of one's choice. Woodruff Family Services LLP.

### C. Everet Allen

# W&J retired maintenance supervisor



C. Everet Allen, 76, of Washington, formerly of Chambers Dam, died at 5:45 a.m. Monday, December 18, 2000, in Washington

County Health Center Washington, after a two-year illness.

He was born November 9, 1924, in Brooke County, W.Va., a son of Tony and Mae Dillie Allen

Tony and Mae Dillie Allen.
Mr. Allen retired as a
maintenance supervisor for
Washington & Jefferson College in
1988, following 25 years of
employment.

He was a member of Trinity
Rible Fellowship of Washington

Bible Fellowship of Washington.
Often referred to as "The Turtle Man," Mr. Allen was well known for his turtle hunting. He was an avid hunter, fisherman and gardener and a member of Keystone Koon Hunters Club.

On November 9, 1975, he married Betty Lou Pierson, who

survives.
Also surviving are two
daughters, Betty Jane Gilmore and
Patricia Ann Derrow, both of
Washington; two stepsons, Eric
McManus of Washington and
Robert McManus of Florida; three
brothers, Theodore Allen of
Hickory, Cecil Sherman Allen of
Taylorstown and Lloyd Allen of
Washington; a sister, Louise
Powell of Garards Fort; and four
grandchildren, Tanner Wayne,
Rachel Derrow and twiss, Brandon

and Cassandra Gilmore.
A brother, Leroy Allen, is deceased.

ALLEN – Friends of C. Everet Allen of Washington, formerly of Chambers Dam, who died Monday, December 18, 2000, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday in Hummell and Barnhill Memorial Chapel, Thomas W. Hummell, supervisor, James E. Barnhill, director, 585 Fayette Street, Washington, where services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Thursday, December 21, with the Rev. John A. Rathbone, pastor of Trinity Bible Fellowship, officiating. Burial will follow in Washington Cemetery. Memoria contributions may be made to Trinity Bible Fellowship, 1350 Park Avenue, Washington, PÅ 15301. Funeral information is available online at www.AmericanMemorials.com.

## Stanley F. Mozina

# Burgettstown resident was UMWA member

Stanley F. Mozina, 81, of Burgettstown, died Saturday, November 25, 2000, in Washington County Health Center, Washington.

He was born April 20, 1919, in Burgettstown, a son of Pete and Frances Groznick Mozina.

Mr. Mozina had been employed by Harmon Creek Coal Co. until its closing in 1968 and retired in 1981 from Hiroshenko Contracting Co. in Moon Township. He was a member of United Mine Workers of America.

Surviving are a son, Stanley R. Mozina of Burgettstown; two grandchildren, Wendy and David Petka; and two sisters, Helen Nunez of Burgettstown and Frances Precopia of Philadelphia.

Deceased are his wife, Josephine Petroski Mozina, who died January 20, 1973; a son, Richard Mozina, who died in January 1960; and a daughter, Donna Rae Petka, who died December 1, 1987.

MOZINA – Friends of Stanley F. Mozina of Burgettstown, who died Saturday, November 25, 2000, who will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Monday in Hayden-Taucher Funeral Home, 23 Erie Mine Road, Burgettstown. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at noon Tuesday, November 28, in Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church, Burgettstown, with the Rev. Richard J. Tusky as celebrant. Interment will follow in Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery. The Rev. Tusky will conduct a wake service at 8:45 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home.

# Leasure McGinnis Sr.

## Member of VFW and American Legion

Leasure Benjamin McGinnis Sr., 79, of Burgettstown, died Saturday, July 22, 2000, at his home.

He was born November 23. 1920, in Oakdale, a son of Clyde Melvin and Viola Welton McGinnis.

Mr. McGinnis was employed in the maintenance department at Air National Guard 112. He was a World War II Army veteran and a member of the McDonald Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion in Burgettstown.

Surviving are a son. Ben McGinnis of Harrisburg; five grandchildren, Dona Barish, Cheri Tunno, Amy Bennett, Mari Jo Murray and Michelle McGinnis; and five greatgrandchildren.

Deceased are a stepson, Sonny Veydt; three sisters; and a brother.

McGINNIS - Friends of Leasure Benjamin McGinnis Sr. of Burgettstown, who died Saturday, July 22, 2000, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in Thomas-Little Funeral Service Inc., 314 West Lincoln Avenue, Mc-Donald, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 26, with the Rev. Robert Miller of Trinity Presbyterian Church, officiating. Interment will follow in Venice Cemetery.

## **Andy Suwak**

## Owned Suwak Trucking Co.

Andy Suwak, 83, of Hickory, died Thursday, January 4, 2001, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh.

He was born January 29, 1917, in Washington, a son of Michael and Mary Kernasevics Suwak.

Prior to retirement, Mr. Suwak owned and was a driver for Andy Suwak Trucking Co.

He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II, serving with the 25th Bombardier Squadron.

Mr. Suwak was a member of St. Ann's Roman Catholic Church in Bulger.

Surviving are his wife, Robert Rometti Suwak, a daughter, Pamela Marie Perenic of Atlanta, Ga.; three brothers, John Suwak of Florida and Nick and Chuck Suwak, both of Washington; and a sister, Helen Artemko of Washington.

Deceased are his first wife, Mary Ann Machak; two brothers, Mike and Pete Suwak; and a sister, Mary Suwak.

SUWAK – Friends of Andy Suwak of Hickory, who died Thursday, January 4, 2001, will be received from noon to 8 p.m. Sunday in Hayden-Taucher Funeral Home, 23 Erie Mine Road, Burgettstown. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Monday, January 8, in St. Ann's Church, Bulger, with the Rev. Rudolph Silvers as celebrant. Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. The family suggests memorial contributions be made to St. Ann's Church, Bulger, or Hickory Volunteer Fire Department.

# **Mabel Ruth Engel**

Old Hickory Inn cook for 30 years



Mabel Ruth Engel, 64, of Main Street, Hickory, died Sunday, December 24, 2000, in Washington Hospital.

She was born s, in Aleppo, a

December 18, 1936, in Aleppo, a daughter of the late Henry Evans and Mary Elizabeth Lewis Riggle.

Mrs. Engel was a member of the Women's Auxiliary of Mt. Pleasant Township Volunteer Fire Department in Hickory.

She enjoyed playing bingo and

traveling.

For more than 30 years, she was a cook at Old Hickory Inn in Hickory.

Surviving are a daughter,
Mary Maga of Southview; a son,
Ronald Braddock of Zolfo
Springs, Fla.; two stepdaughters,
Karen O'Leary of Washington
and Susan Willis of Danville, Va.;
a stepson, John Engel of
Claysville; a sister, Wilma St.
John of Millersburg, Ohio; four
grandchildren, five
stepgrandchildren and many
nieces and nephews.

Deceased are her husband, Herman J. Engel, who died in 1986; two brothers, Andy Riggle and Henry Evans Riggle Jr.; and two sisters, Betty Tedrow and

Helen Nicholson.

ENGEL – Friends of Mabel Ruth Engel of Main Street, Hickory, who died Sunday, December 24, 2000, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday in Dale D. DeAngelo Funeral Home, 1290 Jefferson Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, December 28, with the Rev. Floyd Marasco officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. The family suggests memorial contributions be made to Mt. Pleasant Volunteer Fire Department, 106 Main Street, Hickory, PA 15361.

#### Charles Carter Sr.

#### Retired coal miner

Charles "Cal" Carter Sr., 76, of Canonsburg, died Thursday, November 30, 2000, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born July 14, 1924, in Driftwood, a son of Joseph Sr. and Bessie Williams Carter.

Mr. Carter was a retired coal miner from Montour No. 4 Mine of Consolidation Coal Co. and was a member of United Mine Workers of America.

He was a member of Chartiers Hill United Presbyterian Church, Canonsburg, where he served as a deacon; was a musician; and loved baseball.

A veteran of the U.S. Army, Mr. Carter also was a member of American Legion Post 643 of Avella.

On June 25, 1949, he married Beatrice Estelle Adkins, who died December 4, 1999.

Surviving are a son, Charles Calvin Carter Jr. of Avella; a daughter, Brenda Little of Canonsburg; four grandchildren, Kelly Little, Ken Little Jr., Jessica Carter and Kayla Carter; two great-grandchildren; two brothers, Donald Carter of Southview and Richard Carter of Bethel Park; two sisters, Laura Kennedy and Shirley Thomas, both of Canonsburg; and many nieces and nephews.

Deceased are four brothers, William, Joseph Jr., Thomas and George Carter; and two sisters, Laverna Reeves and Donna Mastrangelo.

### Violet J. Holmes

## Owned Washington taverns



Violet J. Holmes, 90, of Washington, died at 8:45 a.m. Tuesday, March 20, 2001, in Presbyterian Medical Center,

Washington, following a onemonth illness.

She was born February 15, 1911, in New Kensington, a daughter of Walter J. and Blanche Grzymala Majewski.

Mrs. Holmes was a 1927 graduate of Immaculate Conception High School and a member of Immaculate Conception Church and its Christian Mothers.

She did clerical work for KDKA and Koppers Co. of Pittsburgh and Acme Paint Co. of

Detroit, Mich.

Before opening her own tavern, Mrs. Holmes co-owned Majewski's Tavern on Jefferson Avenue with her brother and mother. In 1981, she retired as owner-operator of Holmes' Inn on Henderson Avenue, Washington, after 37 years of husiness.

after 37 years of business.

She did volunteer work as an aide at Presbyterian Senior Care in Washington.

in washington.
Her husband, Harry L.
"Dutch" Holmes Sr., is deceased.

Surviving are a son, Harry L. "Cappy" Holmes of Washington; a daughter, Bette Jane Vanucci of Flint, Mich.; five grandsons; one granddaughter; and three greatgrandchildren.

She was the last of her immediate family.

Deceased are a daughter, Shirlene Blanche Gorby; and two brothers, Chester and Henry (Pete) Majewski.

Washington, who died Tuesday, March 20, 2001, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday in Hummell and Barnhill Memorial Chapel, Thomas W. Hummell, supervisor, James E. Barnhill, director, 585 Fayette Street, Washington. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Friday, March 23, in Immaculate Conception Church, Washington. Burial in Queen of Heaven Cemetery, McMurray, will be private. Contributions in Mrs. Holmes' memory may be made to Presbyterian Senior Care, 835 South Main Street, Washington, PA 15301. Funeral information is available online at www.AmericanMemoriais.com.

## Clyde William Kelley

Former manager in grocery department of Foodland



Clyde William Kelley, 75, of Hickory, died Thursday, March 1, 2001, in Washington Hospital.

He was born April 13, 1925, in

Buffalo Township, a son of Clyde and Helen Ross Kelley.

Mr. Kelley was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church. He had been employed as a manager in the grocery department of Foodland in Washington and Canonsburg and also was a former employee of American General Insurance Co.

He attended Trinity High School.
During World War II, he
served with the U.S. Navy Air
Corps. He was in the Atlantic
and Pacific theaters, served on
the Newport Rhode Island and
Transatlantic Patrol Squadron.
Mr. Kelley received the Good
Conduct Medal, Combat Air
Crewman, Victory Medal, Wing
Three Stars, American Campaign
Medal, Distinguished Flying
Cross, three Air Medals, Asiatic
Pacific with two stars and

Philippine Liberation Medal. On March 23, 1946, he married Alice Lytton, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons,
William and Michael Kelley, both
of Hickory; a daughter, Doris
Miller of New Castle; a sister,
Violett E. Byers of Claysville; 11
grandchildren; and two greatgrandchildren.

Deceased are a daughter, Carolyn Kelley Davidson; a brother, Paul E. Kelley; and two sisters, Helen Baumgardner and Christine Bruckner.

#### Louis V. Dire

# Former owner of Ole Hickory Inn

Louis V. Dire, 82, of Hickory, died Thursday, January 4, 2001, at his home.

He was born October 24, 1918, in Italy, a son of Angelo and Angela Berlingieri Dire.

Mr. Dire was a retired laborer from McGraw-Edison and the former owner of Ole Hickory Inn. He was also a member of St. Alphonsus Roman Catholic Church in McDonald.

His wife, Jean Monaco Dire, died in 1995.

Surviving are his children,
Tony Dire of Washington,
Angeline Morrison of Hickory,
Richard Dire of Avella and Mary
LeFebvre of Midway; nine
grandchildren; 11 greatgrandchildren; a brother, Mike
Dire of Washington; four sisters,
Mary Warrick of Washington,
Joanne Ross of Washington,
Josephine Lugaila of Hickory; and
Erma Baroni of Hickory; and
numerous nieces and nephews

DIRE – Friends of Louis V. Dire of Hickory, who died Thursday, January 4, 2001, will be received from 2 to 9 p.m. Sunday at Thomas-Little Funeral Service Inc., 314 West Lincoln Avenue, McDonald, where a blessing service will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, January 8, with the Rev. John Harvey officiating. Interment will follow in Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Peters Township.

### Ellen C. Carter

## Taught in area schools



Ellen C.
McCarrell Carter,
95, of McDonald,
died Wednesday,
August 1, 2001, in
Presbyterian
Medical Center,
Washington,

following a one-month illness. She was born June 29, 1906, in Hickory, a daughter of Thomas L. and Estella Taggart McCarrell.

Mrs. Carter attended Hickory Vocational High School and later

Muskingum College.

She began her teaching career at Miller School in 1927, then Westland School in 1929 and Cross Creek School in 1930. After raising her family she returned in 1958 to substitute teaching in Fort Cherry School District, retiring in 1976.

Mrs. Carter was a lifelong member of Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church, now known as Hickory United Presbyterian Church. She also was a member of the church's Women's Association and Worthwhile Daughters Class. She taught Sunday school for many

years.
She was a member of Mt.
Pleasant Society of Farm Women
and Washington County Retired
Teachers Association.

Mrs. Carter had received an honorary Keystone Award for having three sons, all recipients of the FFA Keystone Degree.

On June 24, 1930, she married Alvin D. Carter, who died

October 18, 1996.
Surviving are three sons,
Alvin "Mack" Carter, Thomas L.
Carter and J.D. Carter, all of
McDonald; a daughter, Lois Ann
Risser of Lancaster; a brother,
Jay W. McCarrell of Eighty Four;
a sister, Lois Brown of McDonald;
six grandchildren, Carol Anne
Fahnestock, J. Ronald Risser,
Maryellen Risser, Connie J.
Weaver, Donald M. Carter and
Ronald M. Carter; and eight
great-grandchildren.

Deceased is a brother, J. Leaman McCarrell.

## Sara E. Sherwood

# Former elementary school teacher



Sara Elizabeth (Libby) Sherwood, 91, formerly of Dire Drive, Hickory, died Sunday, April 15, 2001, in Mennonite Home

in Lancaster County.

She was born August 21, 1909 in Hickory, a daughter of Floyd and Viola Frye.

Mrs. Sherwood had been an elementary school teacher for 40 years in the Chartiers-Houston School District.

School District.

She was a graduate of Slippery
Rock University; a member of the
Pennsylvania Association of
Retired Teachers; and a member
of the Association of Retired
Teachers.

Teachers.
Mrs. Sherwood was a former member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church and was a member of Highland Presbyterian Church in Lancaster at the time of her death.

Her husband, J. Kenneth Sher wood, died May 12, 1990.

Surviving are a daughter,
Alice S. Lehmann of Lampeter;
two grandsons, Blake and
Christopher Lehmann; two
sisters, Thelma Marquis of
Hickory and Mary Rankin of
Rocky Mount, Va.; and three
brothers, William Frye of
Hickory, David Frye of Westland
and Leroy Frye of Burgettstown.

SHERWOOD – Friends of Sara Elizabeth (Libby) Sherwood of Dire Drive, Hickory, who died Sunday, April 15, 2001, will be received from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday in McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., 27 Cherry Avenue, Houston. Additional visitation will be held from 10 to 11 a.m., the time of service, Friday, April 20, in Hickory United Presbyterian Church, with the Rev. Douglas Reinard officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. The family suggests memorial contributions be made to Hickory United Presbyterian Church. Woodruff Family Services, LLP.

CARTER - Friends of Fllen C. McCarrell Carter of McDonald, who died Wednesday, August 1, 2001, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, and 10 to 11 a.m. in Hickory United Presbyterian Church, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, August 4, with the Rev. R. Douglas Reinard officiating. In-

terment in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Memorial contributions may be made to Hickory United Presbyterian Church Memorial Fund, 210 Main Street, Hickory, PA.

# August F. Laurich

# Owner/operator of Laurich's Bar

August F. "Goose" Laurich, 87, of Burgettstown, died Wednesday, May 23, 2001, in Presbyterian Senior Care, Washington.

He was born April 12, 1914, in Etna, a son of Anton and Antonya

Alex Laurich.

Mr. Laurich was the owner/operator of Laurich's Bar in the Burgettstown area before retiring.

He was a World War II veteran. He loved farming and

going to auctions.

Surviving are two daughters,
Maxine Kirk and Libby Munsch,
both of Burgettstown; three
grandchildren, Thomas Krynak
and Derek and Monica Munsch;
three great-grandchildren; a
nephew, John M. Fennych, whom
he raised; and several nieces and
other nephews.

Deceased are his wife, Mary Laurich, who died February 22, 2001; a daughter, Donna Krynak; a brother, William Laurich; and a sister, Hanna Laurich.

LAURICH – Friends of August F. "Goose" Laurich of Burgettstown, who died Wednesday, May 23, 2001, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in Lee and Martin Funeral Home, 73 Highland Avenue, Burgettstown, where a blessing service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 26, with the Rev. Richard J. Tusky officiating. Interment will follow in Grandview Cemetery, Burgettstown, Memorial contributions may be made to Burgettstown Senior Citizens Building Fund, Main Street, Burgettstown, PA 15021, or Burgettstown, PA 15021.

## Jerry McGivern

# Former equipment operator for PENNDOT

Jerry "PeeWee" McGivern, 57, of Burgettstown, died Friday, December 7, 2001, in Horizon Senior Care Center, Canonsburg.

He was born December 31, 1943, in Cherry Valley, a son of Mary Emma Bowes McGivern of Cherry Valley and the late Philip F. McGivern

Mr. McGivern worked as a heavy-equipment operator for PENNDOT.

He was a member of Owls Club in Joffre, SNPJ in Muse and Raccoon Sportsman Club in Rea.

Mr. McGivern was married to Debbie Culley McGivern, who survives.

His former wife, Carole, survives in Joffre.

Also surviving are two sons,
Philip M. McGivern of Avella and
Brandon S. McGivern of Cherry
Valley; a daughter, Charlotte M.
McGivern of Cherry Valley; and
three brothers, Philip T.
McGivern of Virginia, Robert E.
McGivern of Atlasburg and
Robert Craker of Florida.

#### Rita A. Elseth

### Teacher in North Allegheny School District

Rita A. Elseth, 56, of Ross Township, died Wednesday, July 11, 2001, in the home of her nieces, after a brief illness.

She was born September 27, 1944, in Washington, a daughter of Stephanie Janulewicz of Slovan and the late Walter Janulewicz.

Mrs. Elseth was a teacher in the North Allegheny School District for 33 years, where she taught math at Ingomar Middle School and Intermediate High School.

Surviving are two sisters, Veronica McCalmont of Hickory and Delores Petricca of McMurray; and four nieces and a nephew.

Deceased is her husband, Robert E. Blind.

# Mary M. Green Davies

Member of Church of Jesus Christ Latter Day Saints

Mary M. Green Davies, 73, of Riverton, Utah, formerly of Canonsburg, died Saturday, August 4, 2001, in Cottonwood Hospital, Utah.

She was born September 24, 1927, in Hickory, a daughter of Harry Hanson and Mary Belle Kennedy Green.

Mrs. Davies retired in 1988 from National City Bank, where she was a control clerk.

She was a member of Church of Jesus Christ Latter Day Saints in Washington.

Mrs. Davies enjoyed crafts. card playing, traveling and spending time with her family. She also enjoyed cooking.

ix T On December 16, 1950, in Canonsburg, she married Ivor Davies, who survives. They were married in Mesa, Ariz., Latter Day Saints Temple September 19. 1962.

Also surviving are two daughters, Tarra and Tracey inkt Davies, both of Riverton, Utah; a grandson, Tanner Davies; a brother, Joe Green of Washington; and two sisters, KL Geri Brochetti of Westfield, Mass., and Joyce "Penny" Millerof East Long Meadow, Mass.

Deceased is a brother, James Harry Green.

DAVIES - Friends of Mary M. Green Davies of Riverton, Utah, formerly of Canonsburg, who died Saturday, August 4, 2001, will be received from 2 to 9 p.m. Thursday in McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., 27 Cherry Avenue, Houston, a Woodruff partner. Additional visitation is from 10 to 11 a.m. Friday, August 10, the hour of services, in Church of Jesus Christ Latter Day Saints, Washington, with Bishop Bruce Smith officiating. Interment will follow Melrose Cemetery, Bridgeville.

#### CORRECTIONS

IN THE OBITUARY OF AUgust F. Laurich, published Thursday, omitted were four surviving sisters, Rose Bongiorni and Mildred Yamber. both of Hickory, and Evelyn Ostop and Mary Yamber. both of Burgettstown. Deceased is a sister. Hanna Pollanna.

McGIVERN – Friends of Jerry "PeeWee" McGivern of Burgettstown, who died Friday, December 7, 2001, will be received from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, December 11, in Lee & Martin Funeral Home, 73 High-

11, in Lee & Martin Funeral Home, 73 Highland Avenue, Burgettstown, where services will be held at 8 p.m. Tuesday. In lieu of

flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions to American Diabetes Associaton, P.O. Box 2680, North Canton, OH 44720.

## John Kelley

# Retired from Norfolk and Western Railroad



John Kelley, 72, of Washington, died Wednesday, July 11, 2001, in Canonsburg General Hospital, following a brief illness.

He was born July 3, 1929, in Washington, a son of John and Ruth E. Grandon Kelley.

Mr. Kelley was a retired signalman, having worked 35 years for Norfolk and Western Railroad.

He was a member of Taylorstown American Legion and New Life Tabernacle in Washington.

Mr. Kelley served with the U.S. Army during the Korean conflict.

On September 12, 1958, he married Esther Byrd, who died August 23, 1991.

Surviving are two sons, John Kelley Jr. and William Kelley. both of Washington; two daughters, Debra Kelley of Washington and Patricia Ranager of Houston; seven brothers, Cyrus, Robert and Lawrence Kelley, all of Washington, LeRoy and Richard Kelley, both of Claysville, James Kelley of Colorado and Thomas Kelley of Georgia; three grandchildren, Kristy Shuman, Douglas Ranager and John Kelley; and four greatgrandchildren.

A sister, Catherine Hemrick, is deceased.

KELLEY – Friends of John Kelley of Washington, who died Wednesday, July 11, 2001, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 1 p.m. Sunday, July 15, with the Rev. Earl Parkinson and the Rev. Michael Sitko officiating, Interment in North Buffalo Cemetery.

#### Frank H. Cass.

Mine foreman for Consolidated Coal Co.

Frank H. Cass, 69, of Prosperity, died Friday, October 12, 2001, in Washington Hospital.

He was born November 26, 1931, a son of Joseph S. and Elizabeth Conner Cass.

Mr. Cass worked for Consolidated Coal Co. as a mine foreman at Westland Mine, retiring in 1982.

He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

Mr. Cass was an avid gardener and outdoorsman.

On December 15, 1955, in Houston, he married Florence Golubosky, who survives.

Also surviving are five sons. Frank H. Cass Jr. of Prosperity. Joseph S. Cass of Canonsburg, David L. Cass of Westland, Steven B. Cass of Rural Valley and Kelly B. Cass of Pittsburgh; a daughter, Deborah J. Mickle of Washington: four brothers. Harold Cass of Harrisburg. Charles Cass of Westland, David Cass of Indiana and Raymond Cass of Georgia; four sisters, Thelma Boggs of Florida, Sarah Striner of Houston, Marie Ullom of Washington and Rebecca Fehl of Primrose; 15 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

• Deceased are a son, Harold Dean Cass; two brothers, Joseph Cass and John George Cass; and a

sister, Violet Phillips.

CASS – Friends of Frank H. Cass of Prosperity, who died Friday, October 12, 2001, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Monday in Piatt & Barnhill Funeral Home Inc., 420 Locust Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, October 16, with the Rev. Ed Gray officiating. Interment will follow in Washington Cemetery.

### Robert A. White

# Retired trucker from Hickory

Robert A. White, 75, of Hickory, died Friday, October 26, 2001, in his home.

He was born September 24, 1926, in Bellevue, a son of Harry D. and Eltha M. McCalmont White.

Mr. White was a graduate of Hickory High School and attended Westminster College and University of Pittsburgh.

He served as an aerial gunner in World War II and was recalled to active duty during the Korean War.

Mr. White was a self-employed truck driver and later a terminal manager for Eazor Express and Kaplan Trucking Company. He was employed by Kaplan Trucking for 27 years until his retirement in 1982. He also worked as a route salesman for Battery Specialists in Hickory.

He was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church and Hickory Lions Club.

On August 11, 1949, he married Leila Bedillion, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Robert A. and David M. White, both of Stafford, Va., and Thomas B. White of Hickory; a brother, James A. White of Hickory; 11 grandchildren, Dominic, Joel, Keith, Lauren, Jennifer, Mark, Kathleen, Erika, Brooke, James and Joshua; and two greatgrandchildren.

A brother, Harry White, is deceased.

white – Friends of Robert A. White of Hickory, who died Friday, October 26, 2001, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday and noon to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in Nation Funeral Home inc., 220 East Lincoln Avenue, McDonald. Services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, October 29, in Hickory United Presbyterian Church, with the Rev. Jay Smith officiating. Burial will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory.

# Mary Elizabeth Kiger

## Employed by Royal Travel, Pastries by John



Mary Elizabeth "Mibby" Kiger, 48, of Loutsion Lane, Canonsburg, died Wednesday, August 8, 2001, in her home.

She was born May 18, 1953, in Washington, a daughter of Jack Kiger of Meadow Lands and the late Alberta Revnolds Kiger.

Miss Kiger was a 1971 graduate of Chartiers-Houston High School.

of Chartiers-Houston High School.
She was a lifetime member of
Meadow Lands United Methodist
Church, where she was a member
of the choir, United Methodist
Women, Pastor Parish Committee
and Card Ministry and was active
in Sunday school.

Miss Kiger was employed as a travel agent for Royal Travel of Washington and was formerly employed at Pastries by John in

Washington.

She was an active volunteer for American Cancer Society in Washington, serving on the Relay for Life Committee.

Surviving, in addition to her father, are three sisters, Hazel Bradshaw of Claysville, Cynie Murray of Patagonia, Ariz., and Jackie Butenschoen of Marengo, Ill.; a brother, Dick Kiger of Waynesburg; and seven nieces and nephews.

Kiger of Loutsion Lane, Canonsburg, who died Wednesday, August 8, 2001, will be received from 9 p.in. Thursday and 2 to 4 and 5.m. Friday in McIlvaine-Speakma Home Ltd., a Woodruff partner, 21 Cherry Avenue, Houston. Services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturuy, August 11, in United Methodist Church of Meadow Lands, with the Rev. John Shaver officiating. Interment will follow in Muddy Creek Valley Cemetery, Khedive. Memorial contributions may be made to Meadow Lands United Methodist Church or American Cancer Society Relay for Life.

# Ex-official storms from meeting, later dies

BY KIM LYONS

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HICKORY – After lashing out at the Mt. Pleasant Township supervisors' meeting Wednesday night, former supervisor Charles Cass apparently suffered a heart attack while driving on Main Street in Hickory, crashed his car and later died in Washington Hospital.

died in Washington Hospital.

Mt. Pleasant Township police
Chief Dean Casciola said Cass, age
not known, was driving westbound on Main Street, which is
Route 50, and drove off the road into
a house at 126 Main St. Resident
Robert White, who was home at the
time of the accident, at about 7:30
p.m., said the masonry near the entrance to his home received minor
damage.

Cass had been a supervisor in Mt. Pleasant for eight years. He did not seek re-election in November, and was replaced on the board by

Larry Grimm.

At Wednesday night's meeting, Cass vehemently questioned supervisors about a diesel fuel spill behind the township building in May 2001. He said he was further angered by a letter to the editor published Saturday in the *Observer-Reporter* written by Richard Welch, township board of auditors chairman. Welch's letter stated the spill was the responsibility of all of the township supervisors. Cass was a supervisor at the time.

"I intend to get an attorney and get out the right message about what really happened," Cass said.

Cass grew more and more agitated as he continued shouting at Welch, saying he had done his job as a supervisor by investigating the spill.

Welch responded that he had no ax to grind, and that he simply was

trying to find answers.

Cass stormed out of the meeting shortly afterward, with the comment, "That's all I have to say about this, now."

### **Charles Stewart Cass**

## Former Mt. Pleasant Township supervisor

Charles Stewart Cass, 72, of Westland, died at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, February 27, 2002, in Washington Hospital.

He was born November 6, 1929, in Canonsburg, a son of Joseph and Elizabeth Conner Cass.

Mr. Cass was a member of St. Patrick Roman Catholic Church in Canonsburg and worked for more than 30 years for the state of Pennsylvania in youth services in Morganza and New Castle as a supervisor.

Upon his retirement from the state, he continued his public service and was elected to two terms as supervisor of Mt. Pleasant Township. At the time of his death, he was serving as vice president of Mt. Pleasant Township Community Center.

Mr. Cass enjoyed fishing. On September 10, 1956, he married Nancy Victoria Sharek, who survives

Also surviving are a son, Stanley Charles Cass of Cecil Township; three brothers, David Cass of Indiana, Raymond Cass of Florida and Harold Cass of Harrisburg; four sisters, Sara Striner of Meadow Lands, Rebecca Fehl of Primrose, Marie Ullom of Washington and Thelma Boggs of Naples, Fla.; two grandchildren, Ashley V. and Jennifer A. Cass; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are three brothers, Joseph, Frank and John Cass; and a sister, Violet Phillips.

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CASS – Friends of Charles Stewart Cass of Westland, who died Wednesday, February 27, 2002, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in Salandra Funeral Service, 304 West Pike Street, Canonsburg, a Woodruff partner. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, March 2, in St. Patrick Worship Site, St. Patrick Church, Canonsburg. Entombment will follow in Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Peters Township.

## Vance M. Smith Jr.

# Hickory native founded Bakerstown company

Vance M. Smith Jr., 75, of Vero Beach, Fla., formerly of Richland Township, Gibsonia, died unexpectedly Wednesday, December 26, 2001, in Indian River Memorial Hospital, Florida.

He was born April 10, 1926, in Hickory, a son of Vance M. Sr. and Jane Minerva Morgan Smith.

Mr. Smith was founder and former president of Bakerstown Container Corp.

He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II.

Mr. Smith was a member of First Presbyterian Church of Bakerstown, Bent Pine Golf Club in Vero Beach, Oakmont County Club and Rolling Rock Club in Ligonier.

Surviving are his wife of 50 years, Elizabeth Crawford Smith; a son, Vance M. Smith III of Pittsburgh; two daughters, Barbara Rigby of Sugar Land, Texas, and Shelly Camissa of Oakmont; three brothers, James Arthur and Robert Smith, both of McDonald, and Richard Smith of Hickory; four sisters, Olive Ferrell of Hickory, Dorothy Walker of McDonald, Robert Ferrar of Neenah, Wis., and Elsie Smith of McMurray; and eight grandchildren.

A brother, Paul Smith, is deceased.

Private services will be held Sunday at the Inn at Oakmont, with private burial Monday in Crawford Memorial Cemetery in Emlenton. Memorial donations may be made to Western Pennsylvania Golf Association Scholarship Fund. Arrangement are by Schellhaas Funeral Home Ltd., 5864 Heckert Road, Bakerstown.

# Jean M. Spada

# Former employee of Cox's clothing store

Jean M. Spada, 80, of Hickory, died Saturday, April 13, 2002, in Donnell House, Washington.

She was born June 25, 1921, in Burgettstown, a daughter of Fred

and Elvira Battisti Boni.

Mrs. Spada was a homemaker. She had worked for Cox's clothing store in Washington and for Dr. John McCarrell in Hickory.

She was a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church, Burgettstown.

On August 4, 1942, she married Anthony Spada, who died March 31, 1986.

Surviving are a daughter, Toni Spada of Hickory; a sister, Vera Bezusko of Hickory; a brother, George Boni of Slidell, La.; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are three sisters, Lillian Dremsek, Della DeBrakeleer and Mary Boni; and two brothers, Jules and Geno Boni.

SPADA – Friends of Jean M. Spada of Hickory, who died Saturday, April 13, 2002, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in Hayden-Taucher Funeral Home, 23 Erie Mine Road, Burgettstown. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Wednesday, April 17, in Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church, Burgettstown, with the Rev. Richard J. Tusky, pastor, as celebrant. Interment will be in the church cemetery. The Rev. Tusky will conduct a wake service at 8:45 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home.

RANKIN - Friends of Mary Katherine Rankin of Rocky Mount, Va., formerly of Hickory and Washington, who died Monday, January 7, 2002, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, January 11, with the Rev. R. Douglas Reinard officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery. Hickory.

## Mary K. Rankin

Former Hickory and Washington resident

Mary Katherine Rankin, 90, of Rocky Mount, Va., formerly of Hickory and Washington, died at 7:08 p.m. Monday, January 7, 2002, in Carilion Franklin Memorial Hospital, Rocky Mount.

She was born June 5, 1911, in Buffalo Village, a daughter of Albert F. and Viola Sloop Frye.

Mrs. Rankin was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church and Hickory Senior Citizens.

She was a licensed practical nurse and worked for McMurray Hills Manor Nursing Home. She also was head cook for Kade Nursing Home in Washington.

Mrs. Rankin was a 1930 graduate of Hickory High School and received her nurse's training in Monongahela.

On April 1, 1940, she married Samuel Hupp Rankin, who died November 18, 1980.

Surviving are two sons, Samuel A. Rankin of Rocky Mount and James Vance Rankin of Washington; a daughter, Lucie Idler of Hackettstown, N.J.; three brothers, William E. Frye of Hickory, David L. Frye of Westland and LeRoy S. Frye of Canonsburg; a sister, Thelma Marquis of Hickory; 13 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a daughter, Helen Zoscak; a granddaughter, Diane Wright; three brothers, Albert, James Milton and Leman H. Frye; and three sisters, Adeline Sheller, Elizabeth Sherwood and Jean Dormo. E & EI

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## William Bray

#### Retired painter



William "Pap"
Bray, 90, of
Midway, died
Monday, March 4,
2002, in
Burgettstown, at
the home of his
daughter, Nancy

Kerr.

He was born July 5, 1911, a son of William and Roseanr. Herring Bray.

Mr. Bray was employed as a painter with A.J. Vater Co.

Since his retirement 25 years ago, he had been an avid fisherman.

His wife, Alice Wilson Bray, is deceased.

Surviving are two daughters, Ethel Margerum of Midway and Nancy Kerr of Burgettstown; a son, John Bray of Maryland; 16 grandchildren; 15 greatgrandchildren; a sister, Emma Logan of Imperial; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two daughters, Patty Rupich and Billie Charlier; and a granddaughter, Lisa Rupich.

BRAY – Friends of William "Pap" Bray of Midway, who died Monday, March 4, 2002, will be received from 10 until 11 a.m., the hour of services, Saturday, March 9, in Thomas-Little Funeral Service Inc., 106 St. John Street, Midway, with the Rev. Mike Tidd, pastor of McDonald United Methodist Church, officiating. Interment will be private and held at the convenience of the family.

## Gale Robert Miller

Pennsylvania Water Co. retiree from Taylorstown

Gale Robert "Bud" Miller, 81, of Taylorstown, died at 6:30 a.m. Friday, January 18, 2002, in his home. He had been ill since April.

He was born September 19, 1920, in Hopewell Township, a son of Edward George and Sarah Viola Craig Miller.

 Mr. Miller attended Taylorstown Christian Church.

He was employed by Pennsylvania Water Co. for 32 years, retiring in January 1982.

Mr. Miller attended Buffalo Grade School.

During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army in the Philippines, receiving a Good Conduct Medal, bronze star and bronze arrowhead.

He was an avid hunter and a member of Edwin Scott Linton American Legion Post 175.

On April 16, 1950, he married Nell Rose Mounts, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Ruth Ann Miller Blumer of Edinboro and Karen Sue Miller Frame of Washington; three brothers, Edward David and Cecil Ray Miller, both of Washington, and Herbert Miller; three sisters, Sarah Mabel Miller Brookman of West Virginia and Edna Lucille Miller Tiano and Nellie Gertrude Miller Ashmore, both of Washington; four grandchildren, Matthew, Amber and Philip

Blumer and Joshua Frame.
Deceased are a grandson,
Jeremy Frame; two brothers,
George Craig and Carl Dodd
Miller; and a sister, Anna Mary
Miller Hunter.

MILLER – Friends of Gale Robert "Bud" Miller of Taylorstown, who died Friday, January 18, 2002, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, January 21, with the Rev. Walter Smith officiating. Interment will follow in Forest Lawn Gardens, McMurray. The family suggests, in lieu of flowers, memorials be made to Hospice of Washington Hospital, 10 Leet Street, Washington, PA 15301. www.NealFuneralHome.com.

### Glenn Alan Haynes

Owner/operator of Integrity Auto Service

Glenn Alan Haynes, 41, of Midway, died Wednesday, February 6, 2002, in Washington Hospital after injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

He was born August 2, 1960, in West Virginia, a son of Wallace Haynes of Hickory and Etta Fisher Katocs of the state of Washington.

Mr. Haynes was owner/operator of Integrity Auto Service in Hickory.

He was a member of Crossroads United Methodist Church in Oakdale.

On August 2, 1999, he married Betsy Clark, who survives.

Also surviving, in addition to his parents, are three sons, Glenn Haynes Jr. and Brandon and Luke Haynes; his stepmother, Helen Haynes of Hickory; his stepfather, Paul Katocs of the state of Washington; a sister, Terry Ann Terry; and two brothers, Bruce Katocs and Michael Haynes.

### Jerry H. Berry

#### Telephone technician was Vietnam veteran

Jerry H. Berry, 67, of Deemston Borough, died Sunday, February 3, 2002, in his residence.

He was born April 13, 1934, in Flemington, a son of Loyal and

Pearl Chaplain Berry.

Mr. Berry was a U.S. Army veteran of Vietnam, serving in the 11th Armored Cavalry as a field artillery repairman and sharpshooter.

He was a telephone technician with Grable Brothers Inc. in Fairfax, Va., for many years before retiring in 1998.

On September 7, 1968, he married Martha Jean Gurcak,

who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Jean Ellen Spieles of Reva, Va.; a son, Joseph Thomas Berry of Marianna; a brother, Timothy Berry of Williamsport; five sisters, Rose Smith of Houston, Texas, Pat Dixon of Pocono, Lavinia Copenhaver of Avis, June Diese of Williamsport and Shrilinda Force of Maryland; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a brother, Ron Berry; and a sister, Elsie Coulter. BERRY - Friends of Jerry H. Berry of Deemston Borough, who died Sunday, February 3, 2002, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in Greenlee Funeral Home, Route 40, Beallsville, where services

will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, February 6, with Dr. Charles Shifflett officiating. Interment will be held in Buckingham Cemetery. Full graveside military rites will be accorded by Steele-Lillie American Legion Post 744 of Marianna.

HAYNES - Friends of Glenn Alan Haynes of Midway, who died Wednesday, February 6, 2002, will be received from 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday in Thomas-Little Funeral Service Inc., 106 St. John Street, Midway, where services will be held at 5 p.m. Saturday, February 9. Private interment in Center Ceme-

tery, Midway.

# Crash kills Midway man

BY MATT UMSTEAD

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ATLASBURG – A 41-year old Midway man was killed Thursday evening when the vehicle he was driving struck a tree on Atlas-Cherry Valley Road in Smith Township, police said.

Glenn Haynes of Herron Street was pronounced dead at the scene by Washington County Deputy Coroner Tim Kegel at 9:05 p.m.

Smith Township police Chief Robert King said speed was "definitely a factor" in the accident, which was occurred about 8 p.m.

Haynes was traveling westbound when he crested a slight knoll on the curvy road and lost control.

The two-door sedan vehicle Haynes was driving skidded about 100 feet and turned sideways as it slid off the road, colliding with the tree on the passenger's side, police said.

Kegel said toxicology tests will be performed to detect possible alcohol or drug use.

An unidentified relative at the scene said she did not believe Haynes was drinking, but was en route to play darts at Sputsy's Puh & Grub in Avella.

Smith Township police said they are trying to combat frequent accidents and speeding on Atlas-Cherry Valley Road.

# Edward S. Zemaitis

Westland Mine mechanic and rescue team member

Edward S. Zemaitis, 88, of Canonsburg, formerly of Westland, died at 6:05 p.m. Sunday, May 12, 2002, in Horizon Senior Care, Canonsburg.

He was born October 18, 1913, in Atlasburg, a son of Stanley and Anna Kazakaitis Zemaitis.

Mr. Zemaitis was a member of St. Patrick Roman Catholic Church, Canonsburg, and attended Hickory High School.

He was a mechanic for Consolidated Coal Co. at Westland Mine for 47 years before retirement, and served on the mine rescue team for many years.

Mr. Zemaitis was a member of United Mine Workers of America, Westland Sportsman's Club and Meadow Lands Sportsman's Club.

He enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren, hunting

and fishing.

On May 12, 1934, he married Helen Zapotosky, who survives.

Also surviving are a son,
Raymond Zemaitis of
Monroeville; a daughter, Betty
Lou Durante of Canonsburg;
three sisters, Isabelle Spinosa of
Canonsburg, Betty Jane Kralik of
Pittsburgh and Violet Barnhart
of Washington; three brothers,
George Zemaitis of Canonsburg,
Thomas Zemaitis of Pittsburgh
and William Zemaitis of
Munster, Ind.; five
grandchildren; five greatgrandchildren; and several
nieces and nephews.

Deceased are three sisters, Margaret (Peggy) Arcure, Helen Durkas and Lucy Borello; and a brother, Charles Zemaitis.

ZEMAITIS – Friends of Edward S. Zemaitis of Canonsburg, formerly of Westland, who died Sunday, May 12, 2002, will be received from 2 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in Salandra Funeral Service, 304 West Pike Street, Canonsburg. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 15, in St. Patrick Worship Site, St. Patrick Church, Canonsburg. Entombment will be held in Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Peters Township. www.woodrufffamilyservices.com.

#### Anna M. Nokovich

# Former Atlasburg resident

Anna Margaret Nokovich, 80, of Seattle, Wash., formerly of Atlasburg, died Wednesday, March 27, 2002, in Seattle.

She was born February 24, 1922, in Donora, a daughter of John and Rose Grable Simal.

Prior to retirement, Mrs.

Nokovich was employed by

Colliers Steel in Colliers, W.Va.

She was a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church in Burgettstown.

Mrs. Nokovich was a longtime resident of the Burgettstown area and recently moved to Seattle.

Her husband, Philip Nokovich,

died August 19, 1987.

Surviving are five daughters,
Martha Esno, Cathy Kinkela,
Barbara Seversen, Margaret
Clark and Mary Ann Marklein,
all of Seattle; a son, Philip John
Nokovich; a brother, John P.
Simal of Modesto, Calif.; two
sisters, Rose Dyky and Agnes
Petrucha, both of Tampa, Fla.;
five grandchildren; and three
great-grandchildren.

Nokovich — Friends of Anna Margaret Nokovich of Seattle, Wash., formerly of Atlasburg, who died Wednesday, March 27, 2002, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Monday in Hayden-Taucher Funeral Home, 23 Erie Mine Road, Burgettstown, where a blessing service will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, April 2, with the Rev. Richard J. Tusky, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory.

### Elizabeth R. Seitz

#### Registered nurse

Elizabeth R. (Betty) Seitz, 79, of Hickory, died Tuesday, March 26, 2002, in her home.

She was born February 28, 1923, in Washington, a daughter of George and Hazel Keenan Reynolds.

Mrs. Seitz was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian

Church.

She was a registered nurse, retiring in 1982 from Mayview

State Hospital.

Mrs. Seitz was a 1941 graduate of Washington High School and graduated in 1945 from Homestead Hospital Nursing School.

She enjoyed her granddaughter's sporting events, harness racing, baking, sewing and making apple pies for Hickory Apple Festival.

On April 13, 1936, she married George C. Seitz Jr., who died

February 27, 1982.

Surviving are a son, David George Seitz of Waterloo, Iowa; a daughter, JoAnne S. Welch of Hickory; five grandchildren, James D. and Jeffrey Seitz, and Heather, Elizabeth and Rachel Welch; and a greatgranddaughter.

Deceased is a sister, Alberta

Kiger.

SEITZ – Friends of Elizabeth R. (Betty) Seitz of Hickory, who died Tuesday, March 26, 2002, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., 27 Cherry Avenue, Houston, a Woodruff partner. Additional visitation will be held from 10 to 11 a.m., the time of service, Saturday, March 30, in Hickory United Presbyterian Church, with the Rev. Douglas Reinard officiating. Interment will follow in Muddy Creek Valley Cemetery, Carmichaels. Memorials may be made to Hickory United Presbyterian Church.

#### Thomas O. Kraeer

Board chairman of Hickory Telephone Co.

Thomas O. Kraeer, 81, of Hickory, died at 10:47 p.m. Friday, May 31, 2002, in the Washington Hospital emergency room.

He was born September 26, 1920, in Woodrow, a son of Otto Irons and Bertha Bell Miller Kraeer.

He was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Canonsburg, where he served on the church council and was first layman president-elect.

Mr. Kraeer was employed by J.R. Cowden Trucking Co. from 1941 to 1991 and by Russell Asphalt from 1968 to 1986. He also farmed and raised beef cattle.

Mr. Kraeer was active in Hickory Lions Club, having worked up the chairs to serve as president. He was a charter member, joining the club April 13, 1955.

He was a graduate of Hickory High School and served in the U.S. Army during World War II with 158th RCT-SWP from 1942 to

Mr. Kraeer served on the board of Canonsburg Mutual Insurance Co., the board of supervisors in Mt. Pleasant Township for four years and the board of Hickory Telephone Co., having been chairman of the board for the past 22 years.

On December 9, 1945, he married Viola Leanna Ahrns,

who survives.
Also surviving are two sons,
Thomas Ahrns Kraeer of Burke,
Va., and David Brady Kraeer of
Hickory; two grandchildren,
David Thomas Kraeer and
Lindsey Leanna Kraeer; and his
stepmother, Jane Rossi Kraeer of
Washington.

Deceased are four sisters, Hazel Miller Johnston, Gladys Kraeer Agnew, Ruth Kraeer Clayton and Anna Belle Kraeer Sherman. KRAEER - Friends of Thomas O. Kraeer of Hickory, who died Friday, May 31, 2002, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Monday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 4, with Pastor Jeffrey Marquis officiating. Interment will be in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. Additional information and

tributes online at www.NealFuneral-

Home.com.

#### Bessie J. Dino

#### Retired from Mayview State Hospital



Bessie J. Dino, 76, of Canonsburg, died Saturday, June 1, 2002, in her home.

She was born March 17, 1926, in Herminie, a

daughter of John and Catherine Hopkinson.

Mrs. Dino was a 1944 graduate

of Hickory High School and was retired from Mayview State

retired from Mayview State
Hospital, Bridgeville.
She was a member of St.
Patrick Roman Catholic Church.

Canonsburg.
Mrs. Dino enjoyed crocheting, cooking and spending time with

her family.

Surviving are her husband of 52 years, John S. Dino; three sons, Salvatore, John and Joseph Dino, all of Canonsburg; three daughters, Kate McNary of Washington, Rosemary Qualters of Pittsburgh and Joan Schaller of West Mifflin; five grandchildren, Ronald McNary, Melissa Thompson, George Kunkle, and Taylor and Hayley Dino; and a great-grandson.

Deceased are four brothers, John and Tom Hopkinson and twin brothers George William and William George Hopkinson, who died in infancy; and five sisters, Georgina Hopkinson, Helen Baughman, Mary Ann Hopkinson, Catherine Druga and

Sarah Weaverling.

DINO – Friends of Bessie J. Dino of Canonsburg, who died Saturday, June 1, 2002, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in Mario L. DeAngelo Funeral Home, James N. DeAngelo, supervisor, Dale D. DeAngelo, funeral director, 194 East College Street, Canonsburg, where services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, June 5. Interment will follow in Forest Lawn Gardens, McMurray.

# Rose Marie Bongiorni

#### Hickory homemaker

Rose Marie Bongiorni, 86, of Hickory, died Tuesday, May 14, 2002, in Washington Hospital.

She was born November 2, 1915, in Burgettstown, a daughter of Anthony and Antoinette Alec Laurich.

Mrs. Bongiorni was a homemaker who enjoyed gardening, knitting and crocheting.

She was a member of SNPJ

Lodge in Burgettstown.

Her husband, Joseph Phillip Bongiorni, died in 1986.

Surviving are three sons,
Joseph "Junior" and Edward
"Sonny" Bongiorni, both of
Hickory, and Robert "Bud"
Bongiorni of Burgettstown; three
sisters, Mildred Yamber of
Hickory, Evelyn Ostop of
Burgettstown and Mary Yamber
of Atlasburg; eight grandchildren;
and seven great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two grandsons, Gary and Joseph Bongiorni III; two brothers, William and August Laurich: and a sister. Hanna

Pollana.

BONGIORNI – Friends of Rose Marie Bongiorni of Hickory, who died Tuesday, May 14, 2002, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in Hayden-Taucher Funeral Home, 23 Erie Mine Road, Burgettstown, where a blessing service will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 18, with the Rev. Pierre Sodini officiating. Interment will follow in Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery, Burgettstown.

#### Rebecca J. Smith

# Washington School District custodian

Rebecca J. Smith, 79, of Canton Township, died at 8:10 p.m. Tuesday, July 2, 2002, in Presbyterian Medical Center, Washington, following a lengthy illness.

She was born December 7, 1922, in Washington, a daughter of John W. (Bill) and Clara B.

Kelley Thompson.

Mrs. Smith retired as central office custodian of Washington School District and earlier worked at the former Washington K-Mart.

During World War II, she worked for two years at Fort Wayne Ordinance in Detroit, Mich.

Mrs. Smith was a member of the former Canton Betterment Club.

On July 31, 1944, she married Marion S. Smith, who died March 15, 1995.

Surviving are two sons, Gerald S. and Danny L. Smith, both of Washington; a daughter, Jay Ann Noble of Washington; a brother, Gerald H. Thompson of Washington; four sisters, Clara Virginia Aulicino of Pittsburgh, Geraldine Bucka of Cleveland, Ohio, and Irene Poland and Ada Stickle, both of Washington; five grandchildren, Gerald Jr. and Christina Smith, Suzanne Palfrey and Michael and Brian Elliott; six great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are seven brothers, David, Raymond, Irvin, Roger, Armor, Clair and Bernard Thompson; and a sister, Sylvia

Fagan.

smith – Friends of Rebecca J. Smith of Canton Township, who died Tuesday, July 2, 2002, will be received from noon to 9 p.m. Friday in Hummell and Barnhill Memorial Chapel Inc., 350 West Chestnut Street, Washington, Thomas W. Hummell, supervisor, James E. Barnhill, director, where services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday, July 6, with the Rev. Roger Raymond Fischer officiating. Burial will follow in Washington Cemetery. Memorial contributions are suggested to Washington Hospital Parkinson's Disease Support Group. Additional information is available online at www.hummellandbarnhill.com.

# C. Ordell Ozenbaugh

#### Russell Industries retiree from Hickory

C. Ordell Ozenbaugh, 64, of Hickory, died Thursday, June 13, 2002, in Washington Hospital.

He was born January 5, 1938, in Hickory, a son of the late William and Sylvia Gary Ozenbaugh.

Prior to retirement, Mr. Ozenbaugh was employed by Russell Industries in Oakdale.

He served in the U.S. Army during the Cuban missile crists.

Mr. Ozenbaugh was a member of the National Rifle Associationand was an avid hunter and sportsman.

Surviving are his wife, Janet Casey Ozenbaugh; a son, Robert Ozenbaugh of Cincinnati, Ohio; a brother, Wayne Ozenbaugh of Driftwood: and three grandchildren, Anthony, Ericka and Ryan Ozenbaugh.

Deceased are a son, Vincent Ozenbaugh: a brother, John Ozenbaugh; and two sisters. Martha Polochak and Mary Wallo.

OZENBAUGH - Friends of C. Ordell Ozenbaugh of Hickory, who died Thursday, June 13. 2002, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in Hayden-Taucher Funeral Home, 23 Erie Mine Road, Burgettstown, where a blessing service will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, June 17, with the Rev. Richard J. Tusky, pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Burgettstown, officiating, Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory.

#### James C. Miller

### Part-owner of McCalmont Brothers was WWII veteran

James C. Miller, 77, of Mt. Pleasant Township, died Thursday, June 6, 2002, in his home.

He was born March 3, 1925, in Pittsburgh, a son of Samuel Edwin and Lillian Wallace Miller.

Mr. Miller was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church.

He was part-owner of McCalmont Brothers, bulk milk hauling company, and had served in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

Mr. Miller was a member Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 567 of McDonald and American Legion Post 902 of Houston.

He was a sportsman who belonged to Indian Springs Rod and Gun Club of Avella, National Rifle Association and had been director of Washington County Sportsmen's League.

On October 17, 1947, he married Lucille McCalmont, who survives.

Also surviving are four daughters, Sharon Stauffer of Aliquippa, Patricia Scott and Jamie Torboli, both of Hickory, and Donna Hradil of McDonald; eight grandchildren, Kimberly Karmann, Jason Stauffer, James Kehn, Shelly Schmidt, Amanda Hradil, Brian, Jesse and Rebecca Torboli; five great-grandchildren; and a brother, W. Edwin Miller of McDonald.

Deceased is a sister, Gladys Miller.

MILLER – Friends of James C. Miller of Mt. Pleasant Township, who died Thursday, June 6, 2002, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., 27 Cherry Avenue, Houston, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, June 10, with the Rev. Douglas Reinard officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. Full military rites will be accorded by the combined honor guards of American Legion Post 902 of Houston and Veteran's of Foreign Wars Post 191 of Canonsburg. www.woodrufffamily-services.com.

#### Dora Z. Stanish

# Member of Our Lady of Lourdes Church

Dora Z. Stanish, 90, of Monaca, formerly of Cherry Valley, died Wednesday, July 10, 2002, in her home.

She was born November 25, 1911, in Cherry Valley, a daughter of Michael and Anna Evantz Bertovich.

Mrs. Stanish was a homemaker.

She was a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church in Burgettstown and its Christian Mothers.

Her husband, Walter E. Stanish, died October 3, 1976.

Surviving are a son, Philip Stanish of Washington; a daughter, Ann Louise Simmons of Monaca; 15 grandchildren, 33 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two sons, Walter M. Stanish, who died July 15, 1992, and Joseph T. Stanish, who died August 10, 1994; two brothers, Joseph and John Bertovich; and four sisters, Mary Phillips, Anna Vaja, Sylvia Norris and Rose Guyo.

STANISH – Friends of Dora Z. Stanish of Monaca, formerly of Cherry Valley, who died Wednesday, July 10, 2002, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in Hayden-Taucher Funeral Home, 23 Erie Mine Road, Burgettstown, where a blessing service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, July 13, with the Rev. Richard J. Tusky as celebrant. Interment will be held in Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery, Burgettstown.

#### David M. Frankfurt

2001 graduate of Fort Cherry H.S.

David M. Frankfurt, 19, of Hickory, died Saturday, July 13, 2002, in UPMC-Presbyterian hospital, Pittsburgh, as a result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident on Fort Cherry Road, Mt. Pleasant Township.

He was born March 6, 1983, in Pittsburgh, a son of Thomas and Catherine Holveck Frankfurt of

Hickory.

Mr. Frankfurt was a 2001 graduate of Fort Cherry High School.

He was a truck driver for Sudsy's Distributing, Bridgeville, and also worked at Valleybrook Country Club.

Mr. Frankfurt enjoyed outdoor

activities.

Surviving, in addition to his parents, are a sister, Michelle L. Frankfurt of Hickory; maternal grandparents, Jay Thomas Jr. and Catherine Holveck of Pittsburgh; paternal grandparents, Edwin E. and Anne Frankfurt of Pittsburgh; and many aunts and uncles.

FRANKFURT – Friends of David M. Frankfurt of Hickory, who died Saturday, July 13, 2002, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., 27 Cherry Avenue, Houston, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 17, with the Rev. Rob Burk and the Rev. Richard J. Tusky officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions be made to a charity of one's choice. www.woodrufffamilyservices com

#### Twila M. Armstrong

#### Member of Avella Presbyterian Church

Twila M. Armstrong, 88, of Avella, died at 7:10 p.m. Tuesday, July 2, 2002, in Day's Personal Care Home, Washington.

She was born December 18, 1913, in Rea, a daughter of Herbert and Grace Thompson Smiley.

Mrs. Armstrong was a member of Avella Presbyterian Church and Cross Creek Valley Senior Citizens.

Her husband, Harry S. Armstrong, died April 13, 1985.

Surviving are two daughters, Lana Bogo of Avella and Rita Bongiorni of Hickory; a son, Ronald Armstrong of Rivesville, W.Va.; 17 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two grandsons, Richard Bogo and Joseph Bongiorni.

ARMSTRONG – Friends of Twila M. Armstrong of Avella, who died Tuesday, July 2, 2002, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in Jerome A. Stefkovich Funeral Home Inc., 18 Campbell Street, Avella, where services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 6, with the Rev. Douglas Reinard, pastor of Hickory United Presbyterian Church, officiating. Interment will follow in West Point Cemetery, Avella. Memorial contributions may be made to Avella Volunteer Fire Department or Hospitce Care.

# Hickory teen-ager killed in single-car Mt. Pleasant Town Road, about 9:30 p.m., state police said. He said local police told him the road had been

BY KIM LYONS THE OBSERVER-REPORTER klyons@observer-reporter.com

HICKORY - A Hickory man was killed Saturday night when he hit a tree while trying to pass another car on Fort Cherry Road in Mt. Pleasant Township, state police said. David M. Frankfurt, 19, was driving a 1998 Plymouth Neon and traveling south on Fort Cherry Road, just south of Primrose apparently was not wearing a seat belt and was driving at a high speed, state police said, when he lost control of the car and it began to fishtail and slide to the right.

found in the southbound lane of Fort

The car then struck the tree head-on, and Frankfurt was ejected and landed in a field about 78 feet from the site of the crash, police said. The car exploded and disinteFIVE YOUNG PEOPLE killed in Harrisburg area crash. PAGE A5

Cherry Road, and the rear bumper cover was at the point of impact.

State Trooper Ronald Whaley said Sunday that he wasn't that familiar with any history of accidents along Fort Cherry grated on impact. The Neon's engine was Road, which takes many twists and turns

as it winds up and then down a hill. But he

the site of some "near misses." Frankfurt was taken by medical helicopter to UPMC-Presbyterian hospital in

Pittsburgh and was pronounced dead at about 10:33 p.m., a little more than an hour from the time of the crash.

Frankfurt's aunt, Joyce Wagner, said Sunday that her nephew had been a fun-loving young man, and loved his car. She said he always had a sparkle in his eye.

# iship accident

"He was outgoing, and he always had a grin on his face," Wagner said. "He had a good heart and touched a lot of people's lives."

He had graduated from Fort Cherry High School in 2001 and worked for Sudsy's Distributing in Bridgeville and Valleybrook Country Club.

Frankfurt is survived by a sister, Michelle, and his parents, Thomas and Catherine.

# Jay R. Allison

# Owned and operated Jay Allison Plumbing

Jay R. Allison, 83, of Hickory, died Thursday, October 10, 2002, in Presbyterian Medical Center, Washington.

He was born June 4, 1919, in Hickory, a son of Willard K. and

Jane McCreary Allison.

Mr. Allison was self-employed as a plumber and owned and operated Jay Allison Plumbing in Hickory for 58 years.

He was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church, Hickory Lions Club, Hickory Volunteer Fire Company 3 M. Kappa Sigma Fraternity.

Mr. Allison was a graduate of Hickory High School and

He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II as a first soil lieutenant.

On May 1, 1947, he married Lucille Bell, who died January 6, 1999.

Surviving are two sons, Jay R. Allison Jr. of Bethel Park and Jeffrey B. Allison of Hickory; two sisters, Marion M. Hoon of Sun City, Ariz., and Ruth Thompson of Convent Station, N.J.; and four grandchildren, David J., Elizabeth A., Jesse A. and Sarah

R. Allison.

Deceased are a brother, W.K.

Allison Jr.; and a sister, Martha

Jane Little.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, October 19, in Hickory United Presbyterian Church. Memorial contributions may be made Presbyterian Senior Care, 835 South Main Street, Washington, PA 15301, or Hospice Care of Washington Hospital, 155 Wilson Avenue, Washington, PA 15301. Additional information and an online guest book are available at www.NealFuneralHome.com.

### Robert A. Wilson Jr.

Member of First Baptist Church, Midway



Robert A.
Wilson Jr., 82, of
Hickory, died
Saturday, October
5, 2002, in
Washington
Hospital.

He was born March 31, 1920, in Washington, a son of Robert A. "Zan" Sr. and Mary Edna McCullum Wilson.

Mr. Wilson worked as a welder for more than 20 years at Cunningham Welding and also as a mechanic at Sutherland Lumber Co., both in Burgettstown.

He was a member of First Baptist Church, Midway.

On November 10, 1947, he married Mary Lee Moore, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Sandy Fry of Washington and Rebecca Jaworski of Ingham, Australia; a sister, Martha Hensel of Washington; and six grandchildren, Ben, Amy and Seth Jaworski and Tim, Jon and Nathan Fry.

WILSON – Friends of Robert A. (Bob) Wilson Jr. of Hickory, who died Saturday, October 5, 2002, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Monday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, October 8, with Pastor Walter Jaworski officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. The family suggests donations be made to Hinchbrook Christian School, c/o Gospel Fellowship Association, Suite 110, Wade Hampton Boulevard, Greenville, SC 29609-4061. Additional information and tributes online at www.NealFuneralHome.com.

#### John R. Scala

Hickory horse trainer

John R. Scala, 62, of Hickory, died Monday, July 29, 2002, following an accident while horse training at a farm in Chartiers Township.

He was born May 8, 1940, in Wampum, a son of the late Andrew and Mary Norge Scala.

Mr. Scala was Protestant.
He loved horses and worked as

a self-employed horse trainer.

Surviving are three brothers, Eugene and James Scala, both of Beaver Falls, and Joseph Scala of New Galilee; three sisters, Virginia Greco of Stuart, Fla., Phyllis McAnlis of New Galilee and Margaret Klein of Fairmont, W.Va.; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a brother, William Scala; and a sister, Pauline Bigley.

Private services were held Thursday in Oak Park Cemetery, New Castle, with the Rev. Earl Klein, brother-in-law of the deceased, officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to the local Salvation Arm.

A friend who stopped to talk with Scala found his body. Scala's family told Warco that he had trained horses since he graduated from high school.

#### Hickory man dies after being kicked by horse

A Hickory man was found dead at a Chartiers Township farm after he was apparently kicked in the lower abdomen by a horse he was training.

John Scala, 62, was found dead in the barn on property owned by Dr. Anthony Canterna across from 1852 Henderson Ave. about 3:30 p.m.

A witness told Washington
County Coroner S. Timothy
Warco that Scala was seen about
10:30 a.m. saddling a horse. The
same witness drove past about 30
minutes later and saw Scala
holding his side as he leaned
against the fence while he walked

back to the barn.

### Robert Reed White

CPA was a charter member of Mt. Pleasant authority



Robert Reed White, 73, of Hickory, died Wednesday. October 23, 2002, in Donnell House, Washington. He was born

February 28, 1929, in Hickory, a son of Alvin D. and Laura C.

White. Mr. White was a 1946 graduate of Hickory High School. He attended Muskingum College and graduated from Western Reserve University, both in Ohio, and attended graduate school University of Pittsburgh

Following World War II, he served in the Army occupation forces in Korea and was recalled to active duty during the Korean

War.

Mr. White was a certified public accountant, retiring in 1986 from CSX Corp., where he last served as vice president of CMX, a subsidiary of CSX

He was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church, where he served as treasurer for many years. He also was a member of American Legion, Disabled American Veterans, American Civil Liberties Union, Richard Vaux Lodge F&AM and Mt. Prospect Cemetery Association. He was a founding member of Mt. Pleasant Township Historical Library Association and was a charter member of Mt. Pleasant Township Municipal Authority, where he served as treasurer and chairman.

Mr. White was a former member of various professional organizations and Hickory Lions Club, where he served as secretary for many years.

On April 5, 1952, in Long Island, N.Y., he married Mary-Jane Knapp, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Reed White of McLean, Va.; two grandsons, Adam and Andrew White; four brothers, Albert and Willard White, both of Washington, and John and Richard White of Hickory; and four sisters, Betty Banyay of Zelienople, Mary Crozier of Florida, Marge Smith of Wisconsin and Peg McCance of Maryland.

Deceased are a daughter, Molly; and a brother, Alvin White

Jr.

WHITE – Friends of Robert Reed White of Hickory, who died Wednesday, October 23, 2002, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in Piatt and Barnhill Funeral Home, 420

itation will be held from 10 to 11 a.m., the hour of services, Saturday, October 26, in Hickory United Presbyterian Church, 210 Main Street, Hickory, with the Rev. R. Douglas Reinard officiating. Interment will for the present Computer. The family

Locust Avenue, Washington, Additional vis-

low in Mt. Prospect Cemetery. The family suggests memorial contributions be made to Hickory United Presbyterian Church, 210 Main Street, Hickory, PA 15340. Richard Vaux Lodge 454 F&AM will conduct services at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the funeral home. Piatt and Barnhill Funeral Directors Inc.

#### **James Ray Strope**

Navy veteran worked at Pittsburgh airport

James Ray Strope, 59, of Cross Creek Township, Burgettstown, died Saturday, November 16, 2002, in ManorCare, McMurray.

He was born February 18, 1943, in Joffre, a son of the late James Ray Strope and Alice Watton

Strope Borio.

Mr. Strope served in the U.S. Navy from 1961 to 1964.

He was a maintenance worker at Pittsburgh International

Airport.

On June 25, 1977, he married Sandra Main, who died February 6, 2001.

His mother-in-law, Evelyn Main of Atlasburg, was his caretaker.

Surviving are his stepfather, Charles Borio; a sister, Janet Jones of Burgettstown; a brother, David Strope of Follansbee, W.Va.; and several nieces and nephews.

A sister, Karen Fischer, is deceased.

STROPE – Friends of James Ray Strope of Cross Creek Township, Burgettstown, who died Saturday, November 16, 2002, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in Lee and Martin Funeral Home, 73 Highland Avenue, Burgettstown, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, November 20, with the Rev. Douglas R. Keith officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory.

# Ethel W. Kelley

# Former welder at Federal Paperboard



Ethel Wenona Kelley, 79, of Washington, died at 11:45 p.m. Saturday, December 7, 2002, in Kade Nursing Home.

Washington, following a threevear illness.

She was born October 22, 1923, in Metz, W.Va., a daughter of Francis F. and Martha Gail Miller Gump.

Mrs. Kelley was Protestant.
She worked as a welder and machine catcher at Federal
Paperboard in Washington for more than three years.

On February 5, 1939, she married George W. Kelley, who

died December 5, 1992.

Surviving are two daughters,
Nellie Kelley Baker of
Washington and Norma Kelley
Ruschell of Bethesda, Md.; three
grandchildren, Kevin Crain and
Eric and Jason Ruschell; and a
great-granddaughter.

Deceased are a daughter, Rosie Kelley Cavoti; a sister, Nellie Hawkins; and three brothers, Fred, William and Patrick Gump.

KELLEY – Friends of Ethel Wenona Kelley of Washington, who died Saturday, December 7, 2002, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd. 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, December 11, with Pastor Gary Gibson officiating, Interment will be in North Buffalo Church Cemetery. The family suggests memorial contributions be made to Alzheimer's Association, One Station Square, Landmarks Building, Suite 500, Pittsburgh, PA 15219. Additional information and guestbook online at www.Neal-FuneralHome.com.

# Romaine G. Semple

Worked for Mayview State Hospital, Country Meadows

Romaine G. Semple, 72, of Westland, died Sunday, January 12, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born June 4, 1930, in Westland, a daughter of Edward and Jean Hotchkiss McAnany.

Mrs. Semple was a 1948 graduate of Hickory High School and worked as a certified nursing assistant at Mayview State Hospital and Country Meadows.

She was a member of the former Westland United Presbyterian Church.

Surviving are three sons, Edward James Semple of Westland, Jay E. Semple of Meadow Lands and Gregory Lee Semple of McKeesport; a daughter, Cheryl Ann Walsh of Coraopolis; a sister, Maxine Balazy of Canonsburg; three brothers, John E. McAnany of Canonsburg, Danny McAnany of Westland and Louis McAnany of Phoenix, Ariz.; nine grandchildren; four greatgrandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a daughter, Kathryn Arlene Semple; a grandson, Keith Edward Semple; and two sisters, Norma Jean and Marion Allison McAnany.

SEMPLE – Friends of Romaine G. Semple of Westland, who died Sunday, January 12, 2003, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., 27 Cherry Avenue, Houston, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, January 15, with the Rev. Clarejean Haury officiating. Interment will follow in Oak Spring Cemetery, Canonsburg, www.woodrufffamilyservices.com.

#### Robert Leman McCarrell

30-year inspector for Jessop Steel



Robert Leman McCarrell, 64, of Washington, died Wednesday, January 8, 2003, in Washington Hospital after a three-year illness.

He was born July 25, 1938, a son of James Leman and Margaret Jeanette McIlvaine McCarrell.

Mr. McCarrell was a graduate of Hickory High School.

He had worked more than 30 years as an inspector at Jessop Steel. Mr. McCarrell had served in the U.S. Army.

He was a member of West Washington Methodist Church, American Legion Post 175, Jessop Club, and Moose Lodge 22.

On July 15, 1960, he married Marilyn Cooper who survives.

Also surviving are his stepmother, Betty McCarrell of Hickory; three stepbrothers, Robert McCracken of Nashville, Tenn.; William McCracken of Hickory and Fred McCracken of Annawan, Il.; and a stepsister, Bonnie Ann Bitz of Claysville.

Private services will be held at the convenience of the family with interment in Mt. Prospect Cemetery. Online guest book is at www.nealfuneralhome.com.

#### Louise C. Boone

Member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church

Louise C. Boone, 87, of Olean, N.Y., formerly of Hickory, died Friday, December 27, 2002, in Olean General Hospital.

She was born January 3, 1915, in Prosperity, a daughter of Forest and Elizabeth Dodd Craft.

Mrs. Boone was a graduate
Blaine Township High School
and was an active member of
Hickory United Presbyterian
Church for more than 50 years.

She was a member of Hickory Women's Club and Hickory Senior Citizens.

Mrs. Boone enjoyed quilting and was a member of her church's quilting club.

She enjoyed playing cards and was a member of several bridge and 500 clubs. She also enjoyed traveling and going on mission trips.

Her husband, Lawrence A. Boone, died January 2, 1969.

Surviving are two sons, Dr.
George Boone of Selinsgrove and
the Rev. Rawley Boone of
Columbus, Ohio; a duaghter,
Sarah Ellen Larson of Olean; six
grandchildren, Louise Olsheski,
Daniel and David Boone, Betsy
Nguyen, Ben Larson and Jesse
Larson; six great-grandchildren;
a sister, Sarah Wilson of
Claysville; and a brother, Fred
Craft of El Segundo, Calif.

A brother, Kenneth Craft, is deceased.

BOONE – Friends of Louise C. Boone of Olean, N.Y., formerly of Hickory, who died Friday, December 27, 2002, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., 27 Cherry Avenue, Houston. Services will be held at noon Monday, December 30, in Hickory United Presbyterian Church, with the Rev. Douglas Reinard officiating. Interment will follow in Washington Cemetery. www.woodrufffamilyservices.com.

#### James Tony Jancart

# Cherry Valley beef farmer was retired tree trimmer

James Tony "Chip" Jancart, 78, of Cherry Valley, died Monday, January 27, 2003, in his home.

He was born September 6, 1924, in Venice, a son of Joseph and Mary Lander Jancart.

Prior to retirement, Mr. Jancart was employed as a tree trimmer for Davey Tree Service for 45 years.

He was a self-employed farmer in Cherry Valley, where he raised beef cattle.

Mr. Jancart was a U.S. Army veteran and served in the Korean War.

He enjoyed hunting and fishing.

Surviving are his wife, Eva Strimel Jancart; a son, James Chip Jancart of Cherry Valley; two daughters, Toni Renee Jancart of Cherry Valley and Frances Abbott of Pittsburgh; a sister, Julia Jancart Bailey of Orange City, Fla.; six grandchildren; and eight greatgrandchildren.

Deceased are a son, John Edward Jancart; a brother, Joseph Jancart; and a sister, Adeline Morris.

JANCART – Friends of James Tony "Chip" Jancart of Cherry Valley, who died Monday, January 27, 2003, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday in Hayden-Taucher Funeral Home, 23 Erie Mine Road, Burgettstown, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, January 31, with the Rev. John Salley officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory, with full military rites.

#### Nick D. Kencec

# Member of Washington Co. Farmers Association

Nick D. Kencec, 49, of McDonald, Mt. Pleasant Township, died Sunday, December 29, 2002, in his home.

He was born April 9, 1953, in McKees Rocks, a son of Nick Kencec of McDonald and the late Lisette Biggs Kencec.

Mr. Kencec was a selfemployed farmer and was a member of Washington County Farmers Association.

He also was a member of SNPJ Lodge of Southview.

Surviving are his wife, Linda I. Moss Kencec; a stepdaughter, Sonya Wilkes of Venetia; a stepson, James R. Suty Jr. of Finleyville; three sisters, Judy Capruso and Sharon Martini, both of Bridgeville, and Denise Boyle of Powell, Ohio; a brother, Doug Miller of Florida; and a grandson, Tyler Wilkes.

KENCEC - Friends of Nick D. Kencec of McDonald, Mt. Pleasant Township, who died Sunday, December 29, 2002, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday and 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday in Eugene C. Coleman Funeral Home, Route 50, Cecil, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, January 2, with the Rev. Earl Parkinson officiating. Committal will be held at the convenience of the family.

# Ethel Alberta Russell

Founder of Widows and Widowers Support Group



Ethel Alberta Russell, 72, of Washington, died at 11:40 p.m. Tuesday, January 14, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington,

following an eight-week illness.

She was born December 28, 1930, in Hopewell Township, a daughter of Galey and Clara Dinch Clemens.

Mrs. Russell was a homemaker and former member of North Buffalo Presbyterian Church.

She was the founder Widows and Widowers Support Group in the Washington area.

On April 1, 1950, she married

On April 1, 1950, she married Albert W. Russell, who died July 10, 1987.

Surviving are three sons, Charles E. Russell and Harold G. Russell, both of Washington, and Howard N. Russell of

Canonsburg; a stepson, Albert L. Russell of Washington; five stepdaughters, Florence Siefert of Washington, Clara Turk of Westland, Betty Torboli, Lois

Westland, Betty Torboli, Lois Weaver and Darlene Elliott, all of Washington; 23 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; and a greatgreat grandchild.

Deceased are a stepson, Gaylord Russell; a grandson, Joseph Turk; a great-grandson, Joe Cass; four brothers, Russell, Henry, Robert and Gaylord Clemens; and three sisters, Margaret Clemens, Rose Russell and Lulu Moore.

RUSSELL – Friends of Ethel Alberta Russell of Washington, who died Tuesday, January 14, 2003, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, January 18, with the Rev. John Mark Scott officiating. Interment in North Buffalo Church Cemetery. The family suggests memorials to the charity of the donor's choice. Guestbook and online tributes at www.NealFuneralHomes.com.

#### Marian Jane Rankin

Organist for Cross Creek United Presbyterian Church

Marian Jane McCreary Rankin, 71, of Cross Creek, died Sunday, January 26, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born October 31, 1931, in Cross Creek, a daughter of Harry and Marie Kraeer McCreary.

Mrs. Rankin was a 19 graduate of Hickory High School and a member of Cross Creek United Presbyteri Church, where she was the list for the last 60 years.

On June 20, 195 in Cross Creek United Presbyterian Church, she married Wilford Lee Rankin, who survives.

Also surviving are her stepmother, Viola McCreary of South Carolina; two daughters, Barbara M. Rankin of Cross Creek and Jil Rankin Zynosky of Cross Creek; a son, Rodney J. Rankin of Acme; three grandchildren, Jason L. Rankin, Lisa Rankin Cerciello and Corey N. McConn; a great-grandson; and a stepbrother, Lucien Johnson of South Carolina.

Deceased are a daughter, Deborah Rankin McConn; and a brother, Raymond McCreary.

RANKIN – Friends of Marian Jane McCreary Rankin of Cross Creek, who died Sunday, January 26, 2003, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in Lee & Martin Funeral Home, 73 Highland Avenue, Burgettstown, where services will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, January 29, with the Rev. Millie Adams, former pastor of Cross Creek United Presbyterian Church, officiating. Interment will follow in Cross Creek Cemetery.

#### Alden O. Partozoti

Mechanic for Local 66
Pittsburgh Operators Union

Alden O. Partozoti, 68, of Southview, Mt. Pleasant Township, died Sunday, January 12, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born May 3, 1934, in Primrose, a son of Albert and

Mary Konya Partozoti.

Mr. Partozoti was a veteran of the U.S. Navy and member of McDonald Veterans of Foreign Wars and SNPJ Lodge 265 in Southview.

He was an avid gardener and a mechanic for Local 66 Pittsburgh Operators Union.

His wife, Leora Spotti Partozoti, survives.

Also surviving are five sons. Damon Partozoti of Southview, Dana Partozoti of Washington, Darrell Partozoti of Colorado. Derek Partozoti of Southview and Deno Partozoti of Eighty Four; two stepdaughters, Jackie Wilson of Monongahela and Lorie Rossi of the state of California; three grandchildren, Darren, Kaitlin and Devon Partozoti; three stepgrandchildren, Holly Wilson, Dena Wilson and Nicholas Rossi: two great-grandchildren; three brothers, Albert Partozoti of McDonald, James Partozoti of the state of Indiana and Carl Partozoti of Finleyville; three sisters, Evelyn Bish of McDonald, Gloria Mattaliano of Bridgeville and Cecelia Fedinetz of McDonald: and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased is his wife, Catherine Baughman Partozoti.

At the request of the deceased, there will be no visitation. All services will be private.

Arrangements are being made by Thomas-Little Funeral Service Inc., McDonald.

#### Mildred Yamber

Owned Burgettstown hote

Mildred Yamber, 84, of Burgettstown, died Wednesday, January 22, 2003, in her home.

She was born April 18, 1918, in Burgettstown, a daughter of Anthony and Antoinette Alex Laurich.

Mrs. Yamber owned and operated Pleasant Valley Hotel in Burgettstown.

She was a member of Our Lady

of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church in Burgettstown and its Christian Mothers. She was a member of SNPJ,

was an avid baker and enjoyed

crocheting.

On November 28, 1947, she married John Yamber, who died February 12, 1967.

Surviving are a daughter,
Sandy Ulrich of Bulger; three
sons, John Yamber of
Burgettstown, Joseph "Smoke"
Yamber of Avella and Stanley
Mozina of Atlasburg; two sisters,
Evelyn Ostop of Burgettstown
and Mary Yamber of Atlasburg;
eight grandchildren, John,
Jessica, Joe and Joelle Yamber
and Bethany, Corrie, Tom Jr. and
Tyler Ulrich.; and several nieces
and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, August and William Laurich; and two sisters, Rose Marie Bongiorni and Hannah Pollana.

YAMBER – Friends of Mildred Yamber of Burgettstown, who died Wednesday, January 22, 2003, will be received from 2 to 9 p.m. Friday in Hayden-Taucher Funeral Home, 23 Erie Mine Road, Burgettstown. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Saturday, January 25, in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Burgettstown, with the Rev. Richard J. Tusky as celebrant. Interment will follow in the church cemetery. The Rev. Tusky will conduct a wake service at 8:45 p.m. Friday in the funeral home.

### Edward M. Kelley Sr.

#### Member of New Life Tabernacle



Edward Martin Kelley Sr., 77, of Washington, died Tuesday, February 18, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

March 8, 1925, in Washington, a son of James and Mable Roupe Kelley.

Mr. Kelley worked for Hazel Atlas Glass in Washington for 23 years and later worked for General Concrete as a finisher.

He was a member of New Life Tabernacle.

Mr. Kelley enjoyed solving crossword puzzles.

On December 25, 1948, he married Dixie Naylor, who survives.

Also surviving are seven sons, Wayne McCartney and Jim, Tom, and Roger Kelley, all of Washington, Edward Kelley of Ashland, Ohio, and Ronald and Paul McCartney, both of Kansas City, Kan.; a daughter, Shirley Travers of Old Town, Fla.; six brothers, James E., Walter, Sam, John, Thomas and Dave Kelley, all of Washington; 33 grandchildren; 45 greatgrandchildren; and several greatgreat grandchildren.

Deceased are two sons, Carl and Robert McCartney; a daughter, Joyce Kelley; and a brother, George Kelley.

String of Edward Martin Kelley Sr. of Washington, who died Tuesday, February 18, 2003, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, February 22. Burial will follow in North Buffalo Church Cemetery. Additional information and a guestbook are available online at www.NealFuneralHome.com.

#### Phillip A. Stanish

#### Member of Jessop Club

Phillip Anthony Stanish, 68, of Washington, died unexpectedly at 6:30 p.m. Friday, April 18, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

He was born April 2, 1935, in Cherry Valley, a son of Walter E. and Dora Berdavich Stanish.

Mr. Stanish was a graduate of Fort Cherry High School.

Prior to retirement, he was employed by Ace Reconditioning.

Mr. Stanish served in the U.S. Air Force for four years, serving in Africa.

He was a member of Jessop Club.

Mr. Stanish enjoyed fishing and watching sports on television.

On May 10, 1975, he married Constance Faye Reese, who survives.

Also surviving are a son,
Michael Stanish of Canonsburg;
two stepsons, James Bebout Jr.
and Michael Bebout Sr., both of
Washington; four daughters,
Rebecca Stanish, Darlene
Mathews and Jeannie Mortimer,
all of Texas, and Lori Kalaydjian
of Warass, Va.; a sister, Ann
Louise Simmons of Monaca; 14
grandchildren; and three greatgrandchildren.

Deceased are two brothers, Walter and Joseph Stanish.

STANISH – Friends of Phillip Anthony Stanish of Washington, who died Friday, April 18, 2003, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Monday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, April 22, with the Rev. Floyd Marasco officiating. Interment will be private.

#### Libera Ferrari Swartz

# Retired Fort Cherry school teacher

Libera "Libby" Ferrari Swartz, 89, of Hickory, died Tuesday, April 22, 2003, in Presbyterian Medical Center, Washington, following a lengthy illness.

She was born May 5, 1913, in Monongahela, a daughter of Humberto and Vita Maria Ferrari.

Mrs. Swartz was a graduate of Monongahela High School, attended University of Pittsburgh and was a graduate of California Teachers College.

She was a retired school teacher from Fort Cherry School District. McDonald.

Mrs. Swartz was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church, where she had formerly taught Sunday school.

She was a former member of Hickory Women's Club and Washington County Retired Teachers, as well as PSAR.

On December 2, 1940, she married Edwin Burns Swartz Jr., who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Dr. Anne Swartz of New York City, N.Y., and Carol Baxter of Charlotte, N.C.; and two grandchildren, Mark and Jeffrey

Deceased are four brothers, Albert, Michael, Bruno and Robert Ferrari; and a sister, Norma Jean

Williams. At the request of the deceased. there will be no public visitation. Private interment will be held at the convenience of the family. Friends will be received from 10 to 11 a.m., the time of a memorial service Saturday, April 26, in Hickory United Presbyterian Church, with the Rev. Jay Smith and the Rev. Nat Roe officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to Memorial Fund, Hickory United Presbyterian Church, 210 Main Street, Hickory, PA 15340 or Presbyterian Senior Care, 835 South Main Street, Washington, PA 15301. William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd. are in charge of arrangements. Additional information and guest book are online at www.NealFuneralHome.com.

CARLISLE - Friends of James W. Carlisle Sr. of Houston, formerly of Hickory, who died Monday, April 28, 2003, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd. 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where se vices will be held at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, May 1, with Pastors Jeffrey Marguis and Gary Gibson officiating. Interment in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory, Family requests dona-

tions to Make-a-Wish Foundation or charity of one's choice. Richard Vaux Lodge 454 F&AM will hold Masonic services at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home. Additional information and guestbook are available online at www.NealFuneralHome com.

RUSKOWSKI - Friends of Stanley J. Ruskowski of Burgettstown, who died Saturday, March 22, 2003, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in Lee and Martin Funeral Home, 73 Highland Avenue, Burgettstown, where a biessing service will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday. March 26, with the Rev. Robert Staszewski, pastor of St. Ann Roman Catholic Church in Bulger, officiating. Interment will follow in Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery, Bur-

gettstown.

# Stanley J. Ruskowski

# Retired Pittsburgh Coal miner was WWII veteran

Stanley J. Ruskowski, 86, of Burgettstown, died Saturday, March 22; 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born September 14, 1916, in Bulger, a son of Stanley and Justyna Rosiensky Ruskowski.

Mr. Ruskowski was a coal miner at Pittsburgh Coal Co., retiring in July 28, 1978.

He was honorably discharged from the U.S. Navy, where he served as a seaman 2nd Class during World War II.

Mr. Ruskowski was a member of St. Ann Roman Catholic Church, Bulger.

He enjoyed woodworking, gardening, hunting and fishing.

Surviving are his wife, Elizabeth Lilly Ruskowski, whom he married November 18, 1940; three daughters, Justine Markish and Betty Moore of Cherry Valley and Shirley Crowley of South Carolina; a son, Stanley Ruskowski of Cherry Valley; 11 grandchildren; 15 greatgrandchildren; a stepsister, Josephine Matesic; and several nieces and nephews.

Decease are two sisters, Helen Delprato and Mary Zoppetti; three brothers, Edward, John and Frank Ruskowski; and a stepbrother, Joseph Obozek.

## James W. Carlisle Sr.

### Received Outstanding Postal Retiree Award



James W.
Carlisle Sr., 69, of
Houston,
formerly of
Hickory, died
Monday, April 28,
2003, in Donnell
House,

Washington, following a lengthy illness.

He was born November 10, 1933, in Hickory, a son of Clifford C. and Wilhelmina Stewart Carlisle.

Mr. Carlisle was a graduate of Hickory High School and a member of its Alumni Association.

He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War and received the National Defense Medal, United Nations Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal and Korean Service Medal

Korean Service Medal.
For more than 31 years, Mr.
Carlisle worked as a rural mail
carrier in the Hickory area,
retiring in 1994. Upon retirement,
he received the Outstanding
Postal Retiree Award for
working 31 continuous years
without a sick day. For this, he
was featured on Channel 4 News.

He was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church, Richard Vaux Lodge 454 of Burgettstown, Valley of Pittsburgh, National Rural Letter Carriers Association and National Association of Retired Federal Employees

officer and member of Mt.
Pleasant Volunteer Fire
Department, was active in youth
baseball and football, and was an
original board member of TriState Youth Football.

On June 28, 1958, he married Linda Braden, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, James W. Carlisle Jr. of Newark, Ohio, Matthew C. Carlisle of Charlotte, N.C., and Steven E. Carlisle of San Antonio, Texas; a daughter, Lisa L. Duhig of Bethel Park; two sisters, Alene McBride of Cambridge, Ohio, and Dolores Loughry of Hickory; and 12 grandchildren, Andrew, Katie, Abby, Rhianna, Liam, Ronin, Colin, Christopher and Caroline Carlisle and Jordan, Austin and Alex Duhig.

## Elizabeth Markish

Member of Atlasburg Church of the Nazarene



Elizabeth
Patterson Farner
Markish, 97, of
Hickory, died
Friday, March 28,
2003, following an
illness of two and
a half years.

She was born July 29, 1905, in Burgettstown, a daughter of James Matthew and O'Ella Mont

Neil Farner.

Mrs. Markish was a retired telephone operator for Hickory-Woodrow Telephone Co.

She was a member of Atlasburg Church of the Nazarene, where she was the organist and pianist for many years.

Mrs. Markish was past chief of Grand Temple Pythias Sisters of the Grand Jurisdiction of Pennsylvania and a member of Pride of Silver Cliff Musicians.

Her first husband, Charles Lyons of Florence, died during their first year of marriage.

In 1927, she married John Markish, who died in May 1948.

Surviving are a daughter, Mary Elizabeth Carlisle of St. Petersburg, Fla.; two sons, Samuel Edward Markish of Burgettstown and Thomas Audley Markish of Bulger; 12 grandchildren; and 22 greatgrandchildren.

Deceased are three sons, James Joseph Markish, who died in 1975; David Albert Markish, who died in 1996; and John Markish Jr., who died in 2002.

At the request of the deceased, there will be no public visitation. Services and interment will be private, with Pastor Douglas R. Keith officiating. Interment will be in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. Arrangements are under the direction of William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., Washington.

# David William Goughenour

David William Goughenour, 78, of Newburg, died Monday, April 7, 2003, at his home.

He was born on July 23, 1924, in Fairchance, Pa., a son of the late James S. and Mary Grace Hines Goughenour.



David W. Goughenour



Beach during the Normandy Invasion and the Battle of the Bulge. He belonged to the Postal Workers Union, Col. Rowan Post 2345 VFW in Tunnelton; Fraternal Order of Eagles 2216 in Kingwood; and was a member for over 50 years of Shay's Chapel United Methodist Church, where he served as a Sunday school superintendent and lay speaker.

He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Bernice M. Goff Burgoyne Goughenour, whom he married on Jan. 20, 1950, in Oakland, Md.; two sons, Harry Frederick and Linda Sue Burgoyne, of Tunnelton, Michael Eugene and Lawren Jean Goughenour, of Newburg; one daughter, Virgilene Rose Weaver, of Tunnelton; four brothers, Glenn S. and Ruth Goughenour, of Amity, Pa., Burley and Clara Goughenour, of Hickory, Pa., Floyd and Mary Goughenour, of Gulfport, Miss., and Edwin and Margaret Goughenour, of Eighty-Four, Pa.; three sisters-in-law, Irene Nichols, of Newburg, Nona Bolyard, of Independence, and Shirley Goff, of Newburg; six grandchildren, Shawn L. Rankin, Tanya L. Strawser, Amelia D. Miller, Dustin A. Miller, Michael B. Goughenour and Alexan-W. Goughenour; five great-grandder children, Nolan R. Rankin, Gage M. A. Miller, Dream A. Miller, Mason E. Rankin, and Damion M. Miller.

He was preceded in death by one son, David Paul Goughenour, in 1970; one son-in-law, Mitchell A. Weaver, in 1995; one sister, Margaret Marie Goughenour, in 1933.

Friends may call at the Taylor Funeral Home in Newburg on Wednesday, April 9, from 3-9 p.m. Services will be conducted on Thursday, April 10, at 2 p.m. at Shay's Chapel United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Rotha Hall officiating. Interment will follow at the Shay's Chapel Cemetery in Newburg. Military graveside honors will be accorded by the Col. Rowan Post. Personal condolences may be offered to the family online at www.lobbtaylorfuneralhome.com.

#### **Barbara Stewart**

#### 70-year Hickory resident

Barbara Stewart, 76, of Hickory, died at 10:20 p.m. Monday, July 14, 2003, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh.

She was born February 20, 1927, in Detroit, Mich., a daughter of John and Josephine "Dolly" Warner Schofield.

Mrs. Stewart was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church and Hickory Historical Society.

She was a resident of the Hickory area for the past 70 years.

On February 29, 1948, she married Richard Dean Stewart, who died November 5, 1991.

Surviving are a daughter,
Nancy J. Stewart of Hickory; six
grandchildren, Karen,
Nathaniel, Jesse, Heather,
Crystal and Cassandra; four
great-grandchildren; and a
brother, Jack Schofield of
Hickory.

Deceased are a son, Thomas R. Stewart, who died July 5, 2002; a brother, Kenneth Schofield; and a great-granddaughter, who died in infancy.

STEWART – Friends of Barbara Stewart of Hickory, who died Monday, July 14, 2003, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday in Jerome A. Stefkovich Funeral Home Inc., 18 Campbell Street, Avella. Additional visitation will be held from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m., the hour of services, Thursday, July 17, in Hickory United Presbyterian Church. Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory.

# M. Jay Walker

Owned Walker Repair Service



M. Jay Walker, 86, of Hickory, died at 10:45 p.m. Tuesday, December 30, 2003, in Washington Hospital, following a one-year illness.

He was born June 23, 1917, in Ruff Creek, a son of Edward Ross and Lydia Ella Kughn Walker.

and Lydia Ella Kughn Walker.

Mr. Walker was a member of
Hickory United Presbyterian
Church.

He owned and operated Walker Repair Service for 30 years and was employed by the Farm Bureau for 25 years.

Mr. Walker served in the U.S. Army during World War II and Korean War. During World War II, he trained Japanese-Americans for

European service.

He was a member of Edwin Scott Linton American Legion Post 175; one of the founding members of South Strabane Fire Department No. 1, where he served as chief for 19 years; and a member of Hickory Fire Department.

He enjoyed Pittsburgh sports and

deer hunting.

On September 13, 1975, he married Ida Mae Raab, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Duane Walker and Don Reed, both of Hickory; two daughters, Donna Jean Boswell of Washington and Mary Elizabeth Stolze of Cross Creek; a sister, Dorotha Frances Mooney of Nineveh; nine grandchildren, Shawn, Nicole and Erin Walker, Richard and Kristi Boswell, Cheryl Semerod, Sherri Kumer, Don Reed Jr. and Brian Stolze; 11 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are four brothers, Carroll, James, David and Edward Walker; and a sister, Helen

Eisiminger.

WALKER – Friends of M. Jay Walker of Hickory, who died Tuesday, December 30, 2003, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday and noon until 1:30 p.m., the hour of service, Saturday, January 3, in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 395 East Maiden Street, Washington, with the Rev. R. Douglas Reinard officiating, Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. Military rites will be accorded graveside by Edwin Scott Linton American Legion Post 175. Additional information and tributes are online at www.NealFuneralHome.com.

# Joseph Allen Tustin

# Ringgold grad was Leokaris Construction employee

Joseph Allen Tustin, 45, of Finleyville, died Friday, September 5, 2003, in Washington.

He was born September 14, 1957, in New Eagle, a son of Joseph W. and Nina Lees Tustin of Finleyville.

Mr. Tustin was formerly employed in maintenance with John Leokaris Construction, Washington

He was a 1976 graduate of Ringgold High School and was Methodist.

Surviving, in addition to his parents, are a sister, Cindy Tuscano of Monrovia, Md.; his paternal grandmother, Catherine Tustin Harrison; his maternal grandfather, Allen Lees; and a nephew, Garett Tustin.

Deceased is a brother, Gregory Scott Tustin, who died in 2001.

TUSTIN- Friends of Joseph A. Tustin of Finleyville, who died Friday, September 5, 2003, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in Kegel Funeral Home Inc., Tim P. Kegel, supervisor, 3560 Washington Avenue, Finleyville, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, September 8, with the Rev. Candace Cook-Andres, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Finleyville, officiating. Interment will follow in Finleyville Cemetery.

#### Robert A. Theiss

Retired tugboat deckhand

Robert A. "Tugboat" Theiss, 74, of McDonald, died Thursday, October 2, 2003, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh.

He was born December 10, 1928, in Mt. Pleasant Township, a son of Emil and Marie Rein-

erts Theiss.

Mr. Theiss was a graduate of Hickory High School and served in the U.S. Merchant Marines at the end of World War II.

He was a retired river barge deckhand, working on the Ohio and Monongahela rivers.

Surviving are six nephews, Robert and William Martinek, both of McDonald, Duane, Todd and Cary Theiss, all of Columbus, Ohio, and Harry Zirwas of Oakdale; a niece, Ellen Zirwas of Oakdale; and several great-nephews and great-nieces.

Deceased are two brothers, Ernie and Fred Theiss; and four sisters, June Martinek, Lorraine Theiss, Joann Brownlee and Ellen Zirwas.

THEISS – Friends of Robert A. Theiss of Mc-Donald, who died Thursday, October 2, 2003, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday in Nation Funeral Home Inc., 220 East Lincoln Avenue, McDonald, where services will be held at 1 p.m. Sunday, October 5. Interment will follow in Center Cemetery, Midway.

#### William M. Piazza

Longtime Mt. Pleasant Fire Department member

William M. (Bill) Piazza, 71, of Southview, died Friday, August 29, 2003, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh.

He was born April 4, 1932, in Herminie, a son of Joseph Sr. and

Teresa Mezzorabba Piazza.

Mr. Piazza retired from LTV Steel Corp. in 1981 and was a member of United Steel Workers of America in Aliquippa.

He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

Mr. Piazza was a member of St. Mary Church in Cecil and St. Vincent DePaul Society of

Guardian Angel Church.

He was a 33-year member of
Mt. Pleasant Township Fire
Department, where he was one of
the founders of the Hickory Apple

Festival.

His first wife, June
Zimmerman Piazza, died March
5, 1986.

Surviving are his wife, Carol Klaric Fedell Piazza; a son, William J. Piazza of Holly Springs, N.C.; four stepchildren, Deborah, Thomas and Mitchell Fedell, all of Aliquippa, and Edward Fedell of Chippewa; a sister, Eleanore Ravitz of Detroit, Mich.; two brothers, Joseph Piazza Jr. of Southview and Felix Piazza of Washington; and five grandchildren, Rebecca and Michael Piazza, and Leah, Lori and Brandon Fedell.

Deceased are two brothers, John and Amelio Piazzon.

PIAZZA – Friends of William M. (Bill) Piazza of Southview, who died Friday, August 29, 2003, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Monday in Eugene C. Coleman Funeral Home, Route 50, Cecil. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Tuesday, September 2, 2003, in St. Mary Church, Cecil, with the Rev. Robert Connolly as celebrant. Interment will be in Forest Lawn Gardens, McMurray.

#### Francis A. Yamber

Burgettstown man enjoyed gardening and woodworking

Francis A. (Frank) Yamber, 81, of Burgettstown, died Wednesday, December 17, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

He was born January 23, 1922, in Clinton, a son of Andrew and

Bertha Mayros Yamber.

Mr. Yamber was employed by Washington Steel prior to his retirement.

He enjoyed gardening, raising

cattle and woodworking.

Mr. Yamber was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars and Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church, both in Burgettstown.

On May 30, 1949, he married Mary L. Laurich, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Frank A. and Anthony J. Yamber, both of Burgettstown; a brother, Steve Yamber of Robinson Township; a sister, Alice Engle of Bethel Park; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are three brothers, Andrew, Joe and John Yamber; and two sisters, Mary Kladek and

Ann Haser.

YAMBER - Friends of Francis A. Yamber of Burgettstown, who died Wednesday, December 17, 2003, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in Lee & Martin Funeral Home, 73 Highland Avenue, Burgettstown, where a blessing service will be held at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, December 20, with the Rev. Richard J. Tusky, pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church, officiating. Interment will follow in Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery, Burgettstown.

### Lorna Jean Tustin

Member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church

Lorna Jean Tustin, 86, of Hickory, died Monday, December 15, 2003, in Washington Hospital, a day after her husband, Donald.

She was born March 16, 1917, in Cecil Township, a daughter of Howard L. and Eva Hill Fee.

Mrs. Tustin attended Cecil High

School.
She was a member of Hickory
United Presbyterian Church and
Hickory Woman's Club.

Mrs. Tustin enjoyed spending

time with her family.

On February 15, 1925, she married Donald C. Tustin, who died December 14, 2003.

Surviving are four daughters, Jean Bedillion and Donna Walker, both of Hickory, Carol Schwartz of Canonsburg and Patricia Sadler of Buffalo, N.Y.; a son, Donald H. Tustin of Washington; five grand-children, Beth Curtis, Lisa McElhaney, Nicole and Erin Walker and Shannon Stage; and four great-grandchildren.

Services are private. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions to American Lung Association of Western Pa., P.O. Box 100, Cranberry, PA 16066. Arrangements are being handled by McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., Houston.

# **Donald C. Tustin**

WWII veteran from Hickory retired from Forbes Steel

Donald C. Tustin, 88, of Hickory, died Sunday, December 14, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

He was born September 15, 1915, in Mt. Pleasant Township, a son of Ruebin and Blanche Mull Tustin.

Mr. Tustin attended Hickory

High School.

He retired as a maintenance man for Forbes Steel in Canonsburg and had worked as a carpenter.

He was a veteran of World War II who served with the U.S. Army in Germany for most of his active service. He was a veteran of the Battle of the Bulge.

Mr. Tustin was a member of American Legion Post 902 of Houston and Veterans of Foreign

Wars in Washington.

He enjoyed working with cars

and doing yard work.

On February 15, 1935, he married Lorna Jean Fee, who died December 15, 2003.

Surviving are four daughters, Jean Bedillion and Donna Walker, both of Hickory, Carol Schwartz of Canonsburg and Patricia Sadler of Buffalo, N.Y.; a son, Donald H. Tustin of Washington; five grandchildren, Beth Curtis, Lisa McElhaney, Nicole and Erin Walker and Shannon Stage; four greatgrandchildren; and a brother, Woodrow Tustin of Washington.

Deceased are two sisters, Edith Morgan and Gladys Prowitt; and three brothers, Clifford, Carl and

Marshall Tustin.

Services are private, with arrangements by McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., Houston. Memorial contributions may be made to American Lung Association of Western Pa.

# **Dennis James Pacyna**

Diesel mechanic from Cross Creek Township

Dennis James Pacyna, 50, of Cross Creek Township, died Sat-

urday, March 6, 2004.

He was born February 2, 1954, in Washington, a son of Louise Gross Pacyna-Miller of Hickory and the late Henry Francis Pacyna Sr., who died September 1, 1965.

Mr. Pacyna attended Avella

High School.

He was employed as a diesel mechanic by Passieu-Stewart Trucking of Cecil and retired in 1991, due to severe disabilities.

Mr. Pacyna was a member of St. Michael Roman Catholic

Church of Avella.

He was an avid hunter and mushroom picker. He enjoyed and appreciated nature and wildlife. He was a Harley-Davidson ACE.

Mr. Pacyna was a lifelong resident of Cross Creek Township, where he made his home with

Carolyn Milvet.

Surviving are three sons, David Cleric and Jason Francis Pacyna, both of Houston, Texas, and James T. Pacyna of Bridgeville; three grandchildren, Samantha, Daniel and Dennis Cleric; and a brother, John David Pacyna of Hickory.

Deceased, in addition to his father, is a brother, Henry F. Pacy-

na Jr.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 13, in Brooke Hills Free Methodist Church, Wellsburg, W.Va., with the Rev. Elwood Daugherty officiating.

# Helen Ann Smitsky

Garden club award winner

Helen Ann Smitsky, 65, of Burgettstown, died Thursday, February 12, 2004, in her home.

She was born June 18, 1938, in Bavington, a daughter of Josephine Muslick Smitsky of Burgettstown and the late Dan Smitsky.

She had been employed as a bus driver for Fort Cherry School District for 13 years and later worked for Russell Industries in Oakdale

prior to her retirement.

Miss Smitsky loved gardening, especially growing flowers. She collected antique canning jars and greenware. On October 16, 2001, she was presented with the Lovely Landscape Award by Martha Washington Garden Club.

She was a member of the Route 19 Bowling League in Washington and also the Ladies Auxiliary of

Hickory Fire Department.

Surviving, in addition to her mother, are three brothers, Larry and Robert Smitsky, both of Burgettstown, and Carl of Hickory; four sisters, Beatrice Walker of Oakdale, Mary Blakesee and Josephine Miller, both of Washington, and Doris Aggers of Burgettstown; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased is a brother, Dan

Smitsky.

SMITSKY - Friends of Helen Ann Smitsky of Burgettstown, who died Thursday, Feburary 12, 2004, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in Hayden-Taucher Funeral Home, 23 Erie Mine Road, Burgettstown, where services will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, February 16, with Elder David Olsen officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. The family suggests memorial donations be made to Washington Hospital Hospice.

# **Myrtle McDowell**

Founding member of Hickory Lioness Club



Myrtle McDowell, 83, of Canonsburg, formerly of Hickory, died Wednesday, January 21, 2004, in the home of her

daughter.

She was born December 10, 1920, in Hickory, a daughter of Leonard James and Gwendolyn Conkle Neil.

Mrs. McDowell was a member of Mt. Prospect United Presbyterian Church in Hickory.

She attended Hickory High School.

Mrs. McDowell was a cook in the cafeteria of Fort Cherry School District until her retirement in 1982.

She was a founding member of Hickory Lioness Club and a member of National Pike Daughters of the American Revolution.

Mrs. McDowell was an avid

On December 25, 1937, in Hickory, she married John McDowell, who died March 31, 1998.

Surviving are a son, John Howard McDowell of Pittsburgh; a daughter, Mary Jo Williams of Canonsburg; a sister, Mary Edna Thomas of Washington; two granddaughters, Cathleen Seybert and Gretchen McNary; and three great-grandchildren.

Deceased are three sisters, Betty Yancosek, Lenore Fisher and Ruth Ogden; and a brother; William Neil.

McDOWELL - Friends of Myrtie McDowen of Canonsburg, formerly of Hickory, who died Wednesday, January 21, 2004, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. in Piatt and Barnhill Funeral Home, 420 Locust Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, January 24, with the Rev. Jay Smith officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. The family suggests memorial contributions to Arthritis Foundation. Piatt and Barnhill Funeral Directors Inc.

# David L. Frye

U.S. Navy Veteran

David L. Frye, 84, of Westland, died Monday, April 12, 2004, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born February 19, 1920, in Hickory, a son of Albert Floyd and Sarah Viola Sloop Frye.

Mr. Frye was a veteran of World War II, serving with the U.S. Navv.

He worked as a welder at the former McGraw-Edison plant in

Canonsburg.

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Mr. Frye was a member of the former Westland United Presbyterian Church, American Legion Post 902 in Houston, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 191 in Canonsburg and Westland Sportsman's Club.

He was an avid hunter, fisherman and gardener.

On March 23, 1951, he married Betty Jane Gary, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Irwin Cline of Washington and Albert Floyd Frye of Meadow Lands; two daughters, Sandra Caleffe of McDonald and Sheila Noreen Baumann of Monongahela; 10 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; two brothers, William Frye of Hickory and Leroy Frye of Midway; and a sister, Thelma Marquis of Hickory.

Deceased are two grandsons, David Duane Cline and John Caleffe; three brothers, Albert, James and Harry Frye; and four sisters, Sarah Sherwood, Mary Rankin, Adeline Sheller and Jean Dormo.

FRYE – Friends of David L. Frye of Westland, who died Monday, April 12, 2004, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., 27 Cherry Avenue, Houston, where services will be held. at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 14, with the Rev. Clarejean Haury officiating. Interment will follow in Forest Lawn Gardens, McMurray. Full military rites will be accorded by the combined honor guards of American Legion Post 90 of Houston and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 191 of Canonsburg. Please view or add tributes at www.woodrufffamilyservices.com.

# Robert David Torboli

Member of Raccoon Valley Sportsmen Club

Robert David Torboli, 65, of Slovan, died Monday, March 8, 2004, in Washington County Health Center, Washington.

He was born February 20, 1939, in Washington, a son of Pasquino and Frances Coachmen Torboli.

Prior to his retirement, Mr. Torboli was employed as a truck driver for Panhandle Foods in Slovan.

He was a member of Raccoon Valley Sportsmen Club and Veterans of Foreign Wars in Burgettstown.

On July 7, 1973, he married Saundra Kaminski, who survives.

Surviving, in addition to his wife, are three sons, Robin Torboli of Valrico, Fla., Brian Torboli of Stafford, Va., and Robert Fortune of Geneva, Ohio; a daughter, Paula Pietrzak of Carrick; two brothers, Arthur and Richard Torboli, both of Avella; two sisters, Rose Minda of Avella and Mary Ann Noble of West Liberty, W.Va.; and six grandchildren, Toni Nicole and Robin Torboli Jr., and Ashley, Bobby, Kristen and Connor Fortune.

Deceased are a son, Dwayne Fortune; two brothers, Frank and James Torboli; and a sister, Elizabeth Sabo.

TORBOLI - Friends of Robert David Torboli of Slovan, who died Monday, March 8, 2004, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday in Hayden-Taucher Funeral Home, 23 Erie Mine Road, Burgettstown, where a blessing service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, March 12, with the Rev. Richard J. Tusky officiating. Interment will be in West Point Cemetery, Avella.

# Lloyd R. Dunkle

Former Hickory resident was auto mechanic

Lloyd R. "Whitey" Dunkle, 79, of Zephyrhills, Fla., formerly of Hickory, died Saturday, March 13, 2004.

He was born October 28, 1924, a son of Homer R. and Mildred Miller Dunkle.

Mr. Dunkle was a retired auto mechanic.

His wife, Margie Pruitt Dunkle,

Also surviving are two daughters, Carol Weeks of Hudson, Fla., and Susan Dunkle of Zephyrhills; a son, Robert Dunkle of Jacksonville, Fla.; a stepson, Ernie Shultz of Zephyrhills; two sisters, Mary Haney of Washington and Bonnie Cowden of Burgettstown; six grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Deceased is a brother, Donald

Dunkle.

A memorial service was held Thursday, March 18, in the chapel of Hodges Family Funeral Home, Zephyrhills, with the Rev. Keith McKensie officiating.



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A tow-truck operator prepares to tow a vehicle involved in a fatal accident on McCarrel Road in Mt. Pleasant Township Thursday.

# Crash kills McDonald woman

# 19-year-old loses control of car on winding road in Mt. Pleasant

BY KIM LYONS AND T.M. MENEES

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HICKORY - A woman on her way to work was killed in a head-on collision in Mt. Pleasant Township Thursday afternoon.

Kylee Jo Miles, 19, of McDonald, was killed when she was thrown from hervehicle about 12:55 p.m., said Washington County Coroner S. Timothy Warco in a report. She had worked at Giant Eagle in Strabane Square, South Strabane Township, for eight months, and was scheduled to work Thursday.

Another woman was injured, but police declined to provide any information on her identity or condition.

Miles' car was traveling southbound on McCarrel Road when it collided with a vehicle headed northbound. The driver of that vehicle, whose idenity was unavailable, was taken to a Pittsburgh hospital by helicopter.

Warco's report indicates Miles

traveled through a slight right-hand bend then lost control and crossed the road's center line. Signs posted on Mc-Carrel Road warn drivers of a winding road, and the section where the accident occurred is on a slight decline.

There were skid marks approaching the accident scene, but the road was dry at the time of the crash.

Warco said it appeared that speed was a factor, and Miles apparently was not wearing a seat belt.

Employees at Giant Eagle were shocked to hear the tragic news, con- Washington County roads this year.

sidering Miles, who had a child in December, was in route to work when the accident occured.

"Any time you hear news like this, it's terrible," said Rick Hoover, co-manager of the store. "She was a very nice girl. I not only knew her (as an employee), but I am personal friends of her family."

The Mt. Pleasant police department is investigating the accident.

An officer monitoring the scene declined to provide details about the accident, or say if charges were going be filed in the incident

Miles is the eighth person to die on

# Carl P. Brigich

Hickory farmer worked for J&L Steel in Pittsburgh



Carl P. (Alf) Brigich, 62, of Hickory, died Monday, July 26, 2004, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born September 26, 1941, in Canonsburg, a son of Marko and Katherine Boyan

Brigich.

Mr. Brigich was a farmer and had worked as a welder for Jones & Laughlin Steel, Pittsburgh.

From 1963 to 1965, he served with the Army National Guard.

He was a life member of Croatian Fraternal Union Lodge 567, Canonsburg, Westland Sportsman Club, Westland, and American Legion Post 902, Houston.

Mr. Brigich enjoyed hunting.

On June 8, 1990, he married Lorena M. Carter, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Kara Brigich of Charleston, S.C.; a stepson, Kenneth Schulz of Washington; a grandson, Jake Schulz; two brothers, Joseph Brigich of Bridgeville and Marko Brigich Jr. of Canonsburg; a sister, Catherine Obenour of Hickory; and many nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a brother, John Brigich; and a granddaughter,

Samantha Schulz.

# Michael John Pacyna

1996 Washington High School graduate

Michael John Pacyna, 29, of Hickory, died Wednesday, May 19, 2004, in his home.

He was born December 28, 1974, in Washington, a son of John David and Sandra Jean Wilkerson Pacyna of Hickory.

Mr. Pacyna attended Avella schools and was a 1996 graduate of Washington High School.

He enjoyed movies, video games and Star Wars.

Mr. Pacyna was employed by

Surviving, in addition to his parents, are a sister, Danielle Roble of Washington; maternal grandparents, Louise Miller and Charles Miller of Hickory; and two nieces.

BRIGICH - Friends of Carl P. (Alf) Brigich of Hickory, who died Monday, July 26, 2004. will be received from 2 to 9 p.m. Wednesday in McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., 27 Cherry Avenue, Houston, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday. July 29, with the Rev. Cathy Peternel offi-

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July 29, with the Rev. Cathy Peternel officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory, Please view

services.com.

of Bulger, who died Saturday, July 3, 2004. will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Monday in Hayden-Taucher Funeral Home. 23 Erie Mine Road, Burgettstown, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday. July 6, with the Rev. Carmen Shullo offici-

ating. Interment will be held in Mt.

Prospect Cemetery, Hickory.

ROACH - Friends of Emma Elizabeth Roach

Hickory, who died Wednesday, May 19. 2004, will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, May 22, in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held that evening at 7, with the Rev. Gary Gibson officiating. Additional information and online questbook are available at www.NealFuneralHome.com.

PACYNA - Friends of Michael John Pacyna of

## **Emma Elizabeth Roach**

Bulger resident was longtime farmer and homemaker

Emma Elizabeth Roach, 87, of Bulger, died Saturday, July 3, 2004, in Weirton (W.Va.) Medical Center.

She was born August 26, 1916, in Thomas, a daughter of Frank and Johanna Zalaznik.

Mrs. Roach was a longtime

farmer and homemaker.

She was a member of Ladies Auxiliary of Midway Fire Department.

Surviving are a son, William Dean Roach of Bulger; two daughters, Emogene Keating and Nancy Lugaila, both of Bulger; a brother, Don Zalaznik of Bulger; four sisters, Frances Buchelli of Midway, Wilda Janeshak of Michigan, Lillian Sray of Cuddy and Della Janeshak of Midway; four grandchildren, Terry Shiel, William Lugaila, and David and Daniel Roach; three great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandson.

Deceased are her husband, George William Roach, who died in 1967; a son, David Roach, who died in 2001; two brothers, Ray and Frank Zalaznik; and two sisters, Jean Doran and Kathryn

Martin.



#### JAMES HINES, JR.

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks and appreciation for the acts of kindness, messages of sympathy monetary gifts and the beautiful floral offerings received from our

kind relatives, friends and neighbors during our recent bereavement in the loss of our beloved nephew. We especially thank the The McIlvaine Speakman Funeral Home & Kimenski Vault Co.

**Sharon Hines Miller** 

# **Kylee Jo Miles**

# 2001 Fort Cherry graduate worked at Giant Eagle



Kylee Jo Miles, 19, of Hickory, died Thursday, June 12, 2003, on McCarrell Road in Mt. Pleasant Township as a result of an

automobile accident.

She was born July 4, 1983, in Pittsburgh, a daughter of Kenneth J. and Jeanine Robinson Miles of Hickory.

Miss Miles was a 2001 honor graduate of Fort Cherry High School and attended West Virginia University, Morgantown, W.Va.

She was employed by Giant Eagle Pharmacy as a pharmacy

technician.

Miss Miles was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church and J.G. Parkinson FFA Chapter.

She lived her whole life in

Hickory.

Surviving, in addition to her parents, are an infant daughter, Alexa Miles; two sisters, Shannon and Abby Miles, both of Hickory; and maternal grandparents, Lee and Billie Zollars Robinson of Hickory.

Deceased are paternal grandparents, Paul and Helen

Blash Miles.

MILES – Friends of Kylee Jo Miles of Hickory, who died Thursday, June 12, 2003, will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in Jerome A. Stefkovich Funeral Home Inc., 18 Campbell Street, Avella, and 1 until 2 p.m., the hour of services, Monday, June 16, in Hickory United Presbyterian Church, Private burial will be held in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. Memorial contributions may be made to Trust Fund for Alexa Miles, c/o PNC Bank, 201 Jefferson Avenue, Washington, \$\Pext{PA}\$ 15301.

# John A. Sweany

Marine served in WWII was carpenter for Millsboro Lumber

John A. Sweany, 80, of Clarksville, died Friday, December 17, 2004, in his daughter's New Freeport home.

He was born June 1, 1924, in Deemston, a son of Clyde A. and Pearl Bane Sweany. Mr. Sweany was a 1942 graduate

Centerville High School. He worked for Millsboro Lumber as a carpenter. He was a member of East Bethlehem Baptist Church, Deemston,

and Hanson-Cole American Legion Post 391, Fredericktown. Mr. Sweany served in the U.S. Marine Corps aboard the USS Langley as a gunner during World War II. While aboard ship, they shot down 260 enemy planes. During the Battle of Letey Gulf, they shot down 26 planes in 15 minutes. For his ser-26 planes in 15 minutes. For his service, he received Naval Accommodation Medal and Presidential Unit Citation as well as eight Major Battle Stars, plus a Silver Battle Star

and a Gold Battle Star. Surviving are his wife, Maribel Hines Sweany of New Freeport; two daughters, Diana Ross of Carmichaels and Olivia Guthrie of New Freeport; two sons, John L. Sweany of Marianna and Lloyd A. Sweany of Clarksville; five grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; a sister, Mary Hickman of Washington; and several nieces

and nephews.

Deceased are a son, Leonard Sweany, who died June 10, 1969; three brothers, Edgar C. Sweany, Clyde D. Sweany and Leonard C (Shane) Sweany; five sisters, Ruth N. Riggle, Helen M. Youhouse, Evelyn Power, Vivian Sweany and Katherine Sweany, who died in infancy.

Friends will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Monday in Greenlee Funeral Home, 42 Bank Street at Crawford Road, Fredericktown, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, December 21, with the Rev. James Canon officiating. Interment will be in Horn Cemetery, Marianna. Full military rites will be accorded by Hanson-Cole American Legion Post 391. The amily suggests donations to East 3ethlehem Baptist Church, c/o

Tracy Doman, 61 Black Dog Hollow Road, Clarksville, PA 15322. Online guest book and personal condolences may be accessed at www.GreenleeFuneralHome.com. i

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# Charles E. Bezusko Sr.

U.S. Na<mark>vy ve</mark>t was retired Mt. Pleasant Twp. police chief

Charles E. Bezusko Sr., 75, of Hickory, Mt. Pleasant Township, died Friday, October 8, 2004, in Washington County Health Center, Washington.

He was born June 23, 1929, in Langeloth, a son of Michael and Frances Sonnenberg Bezusko.

Mr. Bezusko served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War.

He was retired from J & L Steel, Aliquippa, and Fort Cherry School District, where he was a maintenance supervisor. He also served as a police officer for Mt. Pleasant Township and retired as police chief.

Mr. Bezusko was a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church, Burgettstown, and was a life member of Mt. Pleasant Township Volunteer Fire Department.

He enjoyed the outdoors, especially camping, hunting and fish-

ing.

On October 13, 1951, he married Vera Boni, who survives. Together they renewed their vows in Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic

Church 26 years ago.

Also surviving are three sons, Charles E. Bezusko Jr. and wife Tamara, Robert E. Bezusko and wife Nancy and Jeffrey A. Bezusko, all of Hickory; and five grandchildren, Stacey Mayle, Jessica Bezusko, Lauren Chickis, Nikki Bezusko and Jeffrey A. Bezusko Jr.

Friends will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Monday in Lee and Martin Funeral Home, 73 Highland Avenue, Burgettstown. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Tuesday, October 12, in Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church, Burgettstown, with the Rev. Robert Connolly, pastor, as celebrant. Interment will follow with full military rites accorded in Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery, Burgettstown.

# **Thomas Nicholas Ulrich**

Owned High Ridge Dairy in Bulger

Thomas Nicholas Ulrich, 56, of Bulger, died Saturday, September 11, 2004, in his home.

He was born October 12, 1947, in Bulger, a son of Betty Kramer Ulrich of Bulger and the late Nicholas Ulrich.

Mr. Ulrich was a 1965 graduate of Fort Cherry High School.

He was employed by Champion Processing Coal Co. and owned and operated High Ridge Dairy in Bulger.

Mr. Ulrich was a member of Burgettstown Presbyterian Church, Burgettstown Grange, Holstein Association and Bavington Blenders. He was a 4-H leader.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are his wife, Sandra Yamber Ulrich; two daughters, Bethany and Corrie Ulrich, and two sons, Thomas Jr. and Tyler Stephen Ulrich, all at home; two sisters, Betsy Bozic of McMurray and Martha Markivich of Bulger; and several nieces and nephews.

At the request of the deceased, there will be no visitation. A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, September 18, in Burgettstown Presbyterian Church, with the Rev. Robert Turrill officiating. Other arrangements will be held at the convenience of the family. The family suggests memorial contributions be made to Thomas Ulrich Jr. and Tyler Ulrich Trust Fund.

### Granville A. Cohenour

Air Force veteran owned Hickory personal care home



Granville A. Cohenour, 77, of Hickory, died Friday, January 14, 2005, in his home, following a lengthy illness.

He was born December 8, 1927, in Blue Sulphur Springs, W.Va., a son of Andrew and Elsie Bryant Cohemour.

Mr. Cohenour was a U.S. Air Force veteran, serving in Alaska. He worked as a time getter at Norfolk and Western Railroad, working in Mingo Junction, Ohio.

Mr. Cohenour and his wife owned Cohenour Personal Care Home, Hickory, for 23 years.

He enjoyed garage sales and

auctions.

On October 4, 1980, he married Hannah J. (Betty) Medlen, who survives.

Also surviving are a brother, Dale Cohenour of Gilbert, W.Va.; and two sisters, Betty Ellis of Gilbert, W.Va., and Dorrie Hemrick of Alderson, W.Va.

Deceased are six brothers and

three sisters.

Friends will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, January 17, with Pastor Gary Gibson officiating. Interment will follow at Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. Additional information and guest book are online at www.NealFuneral-Home.com.

#### Hilda M. Ware

Homemaker was member of Hickory UP Church



Hilda M. (Peg) Ware, 81, of Hickory, died Friday, January 14, 2005, in Washington Hospital.

June 4, 1923, in Wheeling, W.Va., a daughter of George (Dewey) and Bertha Bromer Yates.

Mrs. Ware was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church, where she was a former deacon.

She was a 1940 Triadelphia

High School graduate.

A homemaker, Mrs. Ware worked for Lang's department store for seven years.

She was a member of Women's Club, Senior Citizens Club and 500 Club, all of Hickory.

On October 16, 1942, in Kansas, she married Lester V. Ware, who survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Hedy L. (Ron) Kubarek of Limerick, Lina K. (Jack) Hilferty of North Brunswick, N.J., and Kathy (Dave) James of Jacksonville, Fla.; seven grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased is a brother, George Yates.

Friends will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday in Piatt and Barnhill Funeral Home, 420 Locust Avenue, Washington. Additional visitation will be held from 10 to 11 a.m., the hour of services, Tuesday, January 18, in Hickory United Presbyterian Church, with the Rev. R. Douglas Reinard officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. The family suggests memorial contributions be directed to Hickory UP Church. Piatt & Barnhill Funeral Directors Inc.

# James Lawrence McQuillan

WWII vet was retired from Teamsters Local 249

James Lawrence McQuillan, 81, of Midway, died Wednesday, December 15, 2004, in McMurray Hills Manor.

He was born May 4, 1923, in Hazel Hurst, a son of Thomas and

Grace Curtin McQuillan.

Mr. McQuillan was a Kane High School graduate and served in the U.S. Army Air Force as a mechanic during World War II. He earned an Army Air Force certificate of appreciation for war service.

He was a truck driver for Chemical Leaman Tank Lines of Paris and retired from Teamsters Local

Mr. McQuillan was a member of Midway Veterans of Foreign Wars and was a member and elder of Center United Presbyterian

Church, Midway.
Surviving are his wife, Mona
Laverne Dowler McQuillan; two
daughters, Nina McQuillan of
Delaware and Nyla Buyan of
Canonsburg; four sons, Thomas
McDonald, Dale of Midway, Martin of Washington and Richard
McQuillan of Hickory; 12 grandchildren; a great-grandchild; and
three sisters, Elizabeth Zaney of
McDonald, Madolyn Rence of
Minnesota and Gracie Snyder of
Pittsburgh.

Deceased is a sister, Maida Howell.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday and from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., the hour of services, Friday, December 17, in Thomas-Little Funeral Service Inc., 106 St. John Street, Midway, with the Rev. John Salley officiating. Interment will follow with full military honors will be accorded by Slovan/Burgettstown American Legion and VFW in Center Cemetery, Midway. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Center U.P. Church, PO Box 563, Midway, PA 15060.

#### Hannah J. Cohenour

# Owner/operator of Hickory personal care home

Hannah J. (Betty) Cohenour, 78, of Hickory, died unexpectedly at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 24, 2005, in her residence.

She was born May 5, 1926, in Washington, a daughter of Russell and Margaret Medlen Brooks.

Mrs. Cohenour was owner/operator of Cohenour Personal Care Home, Hickory.

On October 4, 1980, she married Granville Andrew Cohenour, who

died January 14, 2005.

Surviving are a brother, Charles (Melvin) Brooks of Washington; and a sister, Emily Harris of Washington.

Deceased are a sister, Nora Jean Brooks; and a brother, Wilmer

Brooks.

Friends will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 2, with the Rev. Susan Kidder-Petritis officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. Additional information and guest book are online at www.NealFuneral-Home.com.

# **David Kenneth Briggs**

Horseman on county fair board



David Kenneth Briggs, 90, of Washington, died at 10:15 a.m. Friday, March 25, 2005, in Washington County Health Center,

Washington, following a four-year illness.

He was born March 23, 1915, in Hickory, a son of Andrew Cummins and Elizabeth Mae Durbin Briggs.

Mr. Briggs worked for Penn Manufacturing as a steam hammer

operator for 35 years.

He was a farmer, hauled cattle for 20 years and was an avid horseman and trainer.

Mr. Briggs was a member of Pennsylvania Pony Pulling Association, Old National Pike Festival and Washington County Fair Board.

On March 26, 1938, he married Harriet (Mabel) Shrontz, who sur-

vives.

Also surviving are four sons, Kenneth Alvin (Mary Lou) Briggs of Washington, David Lawrence (Elaine) Briggs of Lincoln, Mass., Lloyd Dorsey Briggs, at home, and Hugh Rodney (Kathy) Briggs of Washington; a daughter, Sandra (Martin) McCann, who is a missionary in Tanzania; a sister, Robert Alrutz of Washington; 12 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are three sisters, Ethel Null, Georgie Powell and Dorothy Johnson.

Friends will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Monday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, March 29, with the Rev. Barry Sweet officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to Crossroads United Presbyterian Church Memorial fund, 502 Old Hickory Ridge Road, Washington, PA 15301. Additional information and guest book are online at www.Neal-FuneralHome.com.

### Thomas F. Atchison Sr.

WWII veteran was winder at McGraw-Edison



Thomas F. Atchison Sr., 78, of Washington, died at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday, February 2, 2005, in Washington Hospital after a

lengthy illness.

He was born November 20, 1926, in Cherry Valley, a son of Frank and Hazel Emery Atchison.

Mr. Atchison worked as a winder for McGraw-Edison for 38 years.

He was a lifetime member of Westland Sportsman's Club and a 1946 graduate of Hickory High School.

Mr. Atchison was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II, earning the Army of Occupation Medal and World War II Victory Medal.

On September 29, 1950, he married Carol Melvin, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Thomas F. (Eliza) Atchison Jr. of Avella; four daughters, Sharon (Steve) Welch, Kathy Comer, Debra (Alan) Harps and Debbie (Harry) Reedy; a brother, Robert L. Atchison of Washington; a sister, Mary Anne Hughey of Bentleyville; 16 grand-children; and 18 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two brothers, William and Richard Atchison.

Friends of the family will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, February 5, with the Rev. David Harner officiating. Interment will follow in Forest Lawn Gardens Cemetery, Mc-Murray. Military rites will be accorded graveside by Edwin Scott Linton American Legion Post 175. Additional information and guest book are online at www.NealFuneralHome.com.

### Tirzah H. McCarrell

Member of Hickory UP Church

Tirzah H. McCarrell, 90, of Hickory, died Thursday, August 18, 2005, in Donnell House, Washington.

She was born October 2, 1914, in Pittsburgh, a daughter of Henry W. and Elizabeth Garret Hughes.

Mrs. McCarrell was a graduate of Ingram High School, Pittsburgh, and Washington Seminary.

She was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church and served on many church committees.

Mrs. McCarrell was a past president of Hickory Senior Citizens and a former member and officer of Hickory Women's Club.

She enjoyed playing the piano. On August 21, 1940, she married Dr. John K. McCarrell, who died

August 28, 1991.

Surviving are two daughters, Mary E. Nunn of Charleston, W.Va., and Sally Fackelman and husband John of Sapello, N.M.; three grandchildren, Elizabeth and Janice Nunn and Judy Shiflett; and five great-grandchildren, Bryce, Ryan, Morgan and Shannon Shiflett and Zackery Harris.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., 27 Cherry Avenue, Houston, and 12:30 until 2 p.m., the time of service, Monday, August 22, in Hickory United Presbyterian Church, with the Rev. Dr. Gregg Graybill officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory. The family suggests memorial contributions to Hospice Care of Washington Hospital, 155 Wilson Ave., Washington, PA 15301. Please view or add tributes at www.woodrufffamilyservices.com.

### **Ronald Herriott**

### Vietnam veteran owned Herriott Trucking

Ronald L. Herriott, 64, of Hickory, died Friday, May 6, 2005, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh.

He was born June 4, 1940, in Canonsburg, a son of Lawrence and Helen Hawkins Herriott.

Mr. Herriott had worked as mechanic for the former Suwak Trucking in Washington and was owner/operator of Herriott Trucking.

He was a veteran of the Vietnam War and served with the

U.S. Navy.

His memberships included American Legion Post 902, Houston, Westland Sportsman Club and Vietnam Nam Vets Motorcycle Club.

Surviving are his wife, Debra Kehn Herriott, whom he married August 14, 1992; four sons, Ronald Herriott Jr. and Ryan Herriott, both of Canonsburg, Randy Herriott of Wilmington, N.C., and Travis Herriott of Hickory; a stepdaughter, Heather Ross of Hickory; nine grandchildren, Lindsay, Emma, Brandon, Aaron, Elijah, Dalton and Faith Herriott, John Ross and Jake Tkach; four brothers, David Herriott of Hickory, Bill and Jim Herriott of Canonsburg and John Herriott of Southview; and two sisters, Mary Jane Rosenwald of Canonsburg and Bonnie Moses of Westerville, Ohio.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Monday in McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., 27 Cherry Avenue, Houston. Please view or add tributes at www.woodrufffamilyser-

vices.com.

### **Veronica Marie McFarland**

St. Patrick Church member was retired from Hahn's Greenhouse

Veronica Marie McFarland, 94, of Canonsburg, formerly of Westland, died at 8:55 p.m. Friday, April 8, 2005, in The Greenery, North Strabane Township.

She was born August 26, 1910, in Westland, a daughter of Joseph and Catherine Popeck Schmidt.

Mrs. McFarland was a member of St. Patrick Church, Canons-

burg.

She retired as an inspector from RCA, Canonsburg, in 1960 and from Hahn's Greenhouse in 1978.

Mrs. McFarland was a Canonsburg resident since 1978 but spent most of her life in Westland.

On January 20, 1932, she married James A. McFarland, who died October 1, 1943.

Surviving are a son, James (Maria) McFarland of Houston; a daughter, Donna Jean (John) Kumer of Hickory; a sister, Sophie Avsec of Cleveland, Ohio; five grandchildren, Cindy Poland, Ralph Kumer, Terri McGinnis, Greg Kumer and Tracy Dillie; nine great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

Deceased is a brother, John

Schmidt.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Monday and Tuesday in Salandra Funeral Service, 304 West Pike Street, Canonsburg. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 13, in St. Patrick Church, with burial in St. Patrick Cemetery.

### Walter Linsey Kelley

J&L Steel retiree was WWII Corps of Engineers veteran



Walter Linsey Kelley, 85, of Washington, died at 2:57 Wednesday, September 14, 2005, in Donnell House, Washington, fol-

lowing a lengthy illness.

He was born October 27, 1919, in Wolfdale, a son of James and Mabel Roup Kelley.

During World War II, Mr. Kelley served in the Army Corps of Engineers in Asia, South Pacific, India and Burma. He was awarded the American Theater Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal and Asiatic-Pacific Theater Service Medal with one bronze service

He worked as an engineer at J&L Steel in Aliquippa for 33

years.

Mr. Kelley was a former member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8319, Jessop Club, Pulaski Club and Polish Club.

He attended Friendship Community Church and as a child attended Allison Avenue Baptist

Church.

On October 27, 1945, he married Mildred Merritt, who survives.

Also surviving are five brothers, James Everette, Thomas E., Samuel Charles, John R. and Dave H. Kelley, all of Washington; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, George W. and Edward M. Kelley.

Friends will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, September 17, with Pastor Rick Bruckner officiating. Burial will follow in North Buffalo Church Cemetery. Military rites will be accorded at graveside by Edwin Scott Linton American Legion Post 175. Additional information and guest book are online at www.NealFuneralHome.com.

### **Gail Francis Hinerman**

Golfer worked for Ross Mould



Gail Francis
"Pooch" Hinerman, 59, of Washington, died unexpectedly Sunday,
July 10, 2005, on
the 11th hole of

Nemacolin Country Club.

He was born October 24, 1945, in Washington, a son of the late James Edwin and Louise Wilson Hinerman.

Mr. Hinerman was a graduate of Fort Cherry High School and a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church.

He was employed by Ross Mould as a mould maker for 18 years and prior to that worked for Crile Machine for 21 years.

Mr. Hinerman loved golf and golfed almost every day. His final golfing partner was Boo Stough. He was up by six strokes when he died.

He represented two teams in the Pavella Cup, one in Highland Springs and also Indian Run and was a member of Lone Pine Country Club.

Mr. Hinerman was an avid Wash High fan of all sports. He did the sticks for football for 15 years and attended all sporting events. He had a lot of "Prexi Pride."

He coached Brownson Hous basketball and umpired yout baseball.

Mr. Hinerman was a wonder ful husband, a loving father and a devoted grandfather to his three grandsons. He also was a great friend to everyone he knew.

On June 10, 1967, he married Sandra Ann Wozniak, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Scott Hinerman, and a daughter, Jodie Shrontz, both of Washington; four brothers, Bob Hinerman of Irvine, Calif., Jim and John Hinerman, both of Fairmont, W.Va., and Dave Hinerman of Washington; two sisters, Betty Doak of Washington and Twila Hawk of Fairmont; and three grandsons, Tanner and Turner Shrontz and Brad Lee Sanders.

#### Marie E. Dunkle

Retired Washington Hospital nurse's aide

Marie E. Dunkle, 77, of Washington, died at 7:15 p.m. Thursday, January 13, 2005, in Washington County Health Center, Washington.

She was born October 26, 1926, in Hopewell Township, a daughter of William L. and Nettie Mae

Crawford Dunkle.

Miss Dunkle retired from Washington Hospital as a nurse's aide, with more than 25 years of service.

She was Protestant.

Surviving are a sister, Pearl Cale of Clarion; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are four brothers, James, William, Glenn and Norvil Dunkle; and a sister, Viola Naylor, who died February 6, 2003.

Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday in John B. Greenlee Funeral Home, 2830 Main Street, Beallsville, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, January 17, with the Rev. Gary Gregg officiating. Interment will be in Claysville Cemetery. Online guest book and personal condolences may be accessed at www.GreenleeFuneralHome.com.

Friends and family will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday. noon to 9 p.m. Wednesday and 11 a.m. until 1 p.m., the hour of service, Thursday, July 14, in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Allison Avenue, Washington, with Pastor Gary Gibson officiating. Burial will follow in Washington Cemetery. Additional information and guest book are online at www.Neal-FuneralHomes.com.

### Heart attack kills farmer

A 76-year-old Hickory man died Monday afternoon when he had a heart attack while operating a farm tractor in Mt. Pleasant Township.

Gerald G. Caldwell, 76, was using the tractor to load manure off Prospect Alley at the back of his 111 Main St. home at 1:41 p.m., Mt. Pleasant Township police said.

While backing away from the loaded trailer, the tractor apparently sank in the mud. The back wheels then went over an embankment and the tractor rolled onto its side, pinning Caldwell underneath it. Washington County

Coroner Tim Warco pronounced him dead at 2:30 p.m. The accident did not cause his death, Warco said.

There were no witnesses to the accident, police said. A motorist driving past Caldwell's home about 1:40 p.m. saw the tractor had rolled over. When he checked, he found Caldwell trapped under and immediately called 911, police said.

Police, along with Mt. Pleasant firefighters and a crew from the state Department of Transportation, lifted the tractor off Caldwell.

## Hickory man killed in New Jersey accident

A Hickory man who was working as a painter in New Jersey died early Tuesday when his motorcycle ran off a highway and struck several trees.

Michael Aaron "Chilli" Cowden, 25, was pronounced dead at 12:25 a.m. in Jackson Township, N.J.

Jackson Patrolman Patrick Mackin, who investigated the accident, said Cowden had just passed a New Jersey transit bus on East Veterans Highway at a high speed. Witnesses said he failed to negotiate a curve and went off the highway, striking several trees.

A group of men from the company Cowden worked for were moving from a motel to a campground where they planned to stay when the accident occurred.

Alcohol was not a factor in the accident, police said.

An autopsy showed that Cowden died of multiple injuries. He was wearing a motorcycle helmet which came off on impact, but, Mackin said, he had not suffered any head injuries.

Cowden had purchased the motorcycle July 29 but was not yet licensed to operate it.

Cowden was in New Jersey working as a water tower painter for World Wide Industries of Chesterland, Ohio. He graduated from Fort Cherry High School in 1999 and is survived by a son, his parents and stepmother and four siblings.

### Michael Aaron Cowden

1999 Fort Cherry graduate



Michael Aaron "Chilli" Cowden, 25, of Hickory, died at 12:25 a.m. Tuesday, August 2, 2005, in Jackson Top, N.J., from in-

juries sustained in a motorcycle accident.

He was born December 30, 1979, in Washington, a son of James Gregory Cowden of Hickory and Marci Jo Zinn of Houson.

Mr. Cowden graduated from Fort Cherry High School in 1999.

He was a water tower painter for World Wide Industries of Chesterland, Ohio.

Previously, he was a self-em-

ployed mechanic.

Surviving, in addition to his parents, are a son, Chase Anthony Pertile of Del Ray Beach, Fla.; his stepmother, Lori Cowden; three brothers, James Gregory Cowden Jr. of Hickory, Jeffrey Andrew Cowden, at home, and Harry Wilson Jr. of Midway; a sister, Haylee Zinn of Houston: his paternal grandparents, Allan (Dale) and Martha J. Cowden of Washington; his maternal grandparents, Sharon Amos of Hickory and Tom Daley of Westland; his maternal stepgrandmother, Kathleen McElhany of Titusville; a nephew, Jac Cowden; and a

niece, Emilee Beth Cowden. Friends will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd., 925 Al-Avenue, Washington, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, August 6, with the Rev. Doug Reinard officiating. Private burial in Mt. Prospect Cemetery will be held at the family's convenience. Additional information and guest book are onwww.NealFuneralline at

# Born to be a farmer, Simmons plowing ahead in chosen field

### **PROFILE**

By Harry Funk, Staff writer hfunk@observer-reporter.com

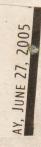
As is the case with most high school seniors, graduation couldn't come soon enough for Andrew Simmons.

"I get up, go to school, come back, and it's pretty much work until dark every night," he said shortly before his Peters Township High School commencement this month. "It's almost impossible to keep up with everything."

In his case, work involves a lot more than, say, flipping burgers. The 18-year-old is in charge of a fruit-and-vegetable farm in Mt. Pleasant Township, and now that his school days are over, he's able to concentrate fully on the many tasks at hand.

Andrew Simmons is a farmer, not a firefighter, but this fire engine comes in handy as an irrigation pump, an idea thought up by Andrew's father, David, also a lifelong farmer.

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# Profile: Simmons plows ahead in his chosen field

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If the name Simmons sounds familiar in an agricultural context, Andrew is a member of the family who owns Simmons Farm in Peters Township. In fact, he's starting a fifth generation of farmers in the clan.

"It seems like it was born in him," said Earl Simmons, his grandfather. "When you talked to him and asked him, he always said, 'I'm going to be a farmer."

Andrew's parents, David and Cynthia, provided him with the opportunity by purchasing a former dairy farm near Hickory in 2002. They've spent the past few years modifying the land for growing crops and laying the foundation for orchards.

"You can't do that part-time," Cynthia Simmons explained. "We wanted to wait until Drew was out of school."

The day has come, and Andrew now is a full-time farmer. But that's really nothing new for him.

"When we were at the farm in Peters, in the summer, that's what we did every day," he said. "Even before that, I'd always want to go out with my dad. I always saw him out there and wanted to be with him."

Andrew also took an early interest in farming equipment, especially all that goes into keeping the machines up and running. Later, he studied auto mechanics at Western Area Career and Technology Center as part of his high school education. He plans to take more courses in auto mechanics during the off-season, along with business classes to broaden his knowledge of that aspect of running a farm.

While in high school, he didn't exactly follow the same path as most of his fellow students, although one classmate, Kevin Kern, shares Andrew's interest. In fact, Kevin also has started his own operation, Kern Farms.

"It's rare to find kids who are into that. It's nice to have someone you can relate to," said Andrew.

His grandfather is encouraged about Andrew's enthusiasm.

"He's pretty much running that

farm himself, and he's starting from scratch," Earl Simmons said. "But he knows the basics. That's usually the problem with youngsters nowadays. They don't know the basics."

Earl also is encouraged about a new generation becoming involved, considering the current state of the occupation he's known all his life.

"It's a problem all over the country, the family farm," he said. "It's hard to make ends meet, unless you have an established market. That's the key to it, having a retail outlet."

Simmons Hickory Farm, as the newer operation is called, has addressed the retail issue by making arrangements to sell at Rollier's Hardware in Mt. Lebanon (Cynthia's original hometown) Thursdays through Sundays throughout the summer. While Andrew runs the farm, his mother and three sisters – Bethany, Emma and Rachel – will take care of sales.

"The tough thing about farming is being able to sell everything," Cynthia said. "You need an established outlet to move everything quickly. We've been working on that, and Rollier's is really playing into the plan."

The farm so far has about 30 acres planted with crops, mostly corn and pumpkins, with some tomatoes, peppers, cucumbers and zucchini. Fruit is coming from the Peters Township farm until the Mt. Pleasant orchards are established.

In the meantime, Andrew can draw on his farming experiences in Peters.

"I've been doing it since I was 10 or 11," he said. "I learned as much as I could from my uncles, my granddad and my dad. They took time out to explain things to me, and there's nothing like onthe-job experience."

There's one big difference at the Hickory farm:

"Now, if I don't do it right, it's all on me."

But he shouldn't worry about it, as far as his grandfather is concerned.

"He'll make it," Earl Simmons said. "I know he will."

# STILL GOING, STILL GROWING

# Greenhouse has positive effect on longtime owner

By HARRY FUNK

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Drive down Hickory's heavily traveled Main Street and you may notice a slight, light-haired lady chugging along her vard aboard a late-model lawn tractor.

"I was cutting last night with my lights on," Audra Pollinger said one morning this week, with freshly mown swaths serving as evidence.

Her surname is prominently displayed on a weathered reader board, with the words "hanging baskets" and "annuals" announcing what she has for sale. The board stands in front of an equally weathered greenhouse, halfcovered with leafy Virginia creeper on the outside and a wide variety of plants within.

Pollinger's Greenhouse has been part of the Hickory business community since the early 1970s, when Audra and her late husband, Henry, relocated to the village from Allegheny County. As she explains it, "We used to live over in Imperial, and the airport came along and said, 'Move out.""

The Pollingers set up shop by building a 145-foot greenhouse next to their Civil War-era farmhouse, even though Audra was hardly a youngster back then.

Rather than reveal her age, she tells folks, "I was born in 1916," and lets them do the math. That, of course, makes her 89 this year.



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Audra Pollinger displays one of her floral a rangements next to her greenhouse along Main Street in Hickory.

"I don't get everything done that want to," she'll admit. "I get tired."

That's certainly understandable, con-

sidering she had open-heart surgery five years ago and has dealt with some recent health issues. But she still is in the greenhouse every day, tending to her plants.

Horticulture has helped Audra deal with health issues of other family members. Her daughter, Jane, now 58, has Down syndrome, and her husband was on dialysis for several years in the

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### Greenhouse: Still going, still growing

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1980s. "The greenhouse was the best therapy I could have," Audra said. "You get your hands in the dirt, and it gets under your fingernails and everything,"

Drawing on that philosophy, she took up gardening as a business venture in the 1960s, taking classes at a floral design school in Cleveland and starting a green-

house in Imperial.

Her greenhouse Hickory in was more extensive, but some sections have been removed over the years. The remaining portion provides a bright, warm environment for growing.

When customers stop by, a motion sensor causes a small ceramic frog to emit a prerecorded

croak, signaling their entrance.
"That's my doorbell," Audra explained. "I can hear that all the way back in the greenhouse."

Inside are rows of carefully cul-, tivated annuals, perennials and , vegetables, many already in the colorful baskets she arranges.

As far as tending to the plants in her greenhouse, Audra mostly goes solo. She's had helpers over the years, particularly when she had more greenhouse space, but often handles the duties herself.

"You might as well," she said "If you get someone in here, they don't always do it the way you want them to do it."

The greenhouse is a short walk from her 150-year-old home, where she raised two children. Her son, Charles, lives in West Virginia and has had a career as a music instructor.

The farmhouse has four upstairs bedrooms, a spacious first floor and a large front porch. One of Audra's favorite features is a three-sided nook with bay win-dows, where she has the dining room table.

Outside, she's often on her lawn tractor this time of year, keeping up with the acres of grass. She , even has used the tractor to come up with an inventive method for dealing with the problem of moles

In her yard are pear trees, which bear fruit in late summer, and raspberry bushes that yield contributions to one of her favorite recipes.

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"I like to make jam," she said.
"You don't put any water and you don't put any sugar on them."

Under the boughs of a group of mature evergreens is a shaded area that serves as her special place.

"This is my hideaway," Audra said. "When I don't want to hear the telephone or anything, I come out here."

Perhaps that provide her with some restful moments in an otherwise busy day. But her advice to those seeking longevity seems more in character:

"Keep moving."

Even if it's aboard a tractor.



### **TWIST champions**

Splashers recently won the TWIST 12-and-under girls softball league championship. The team also won the preseason tournament and regular-season Central Division title. Members of the team are, front row, left to right: Marissa Haynes, Cassandra Caleffie, Elizabeth Bombara and Kayla Hatfield. Middle row: manager Bill Haynes, Cara Andrews, Cassie Richmond, Dakota Myers, Amanda Burch, Julia Bavara and coach Frank Adamsky. Back row: coach Ron Richmond, Jessica Poland, Ashley Adamcik, Alexis Lopez, Rachael Adamsky and coach Bob Lopez

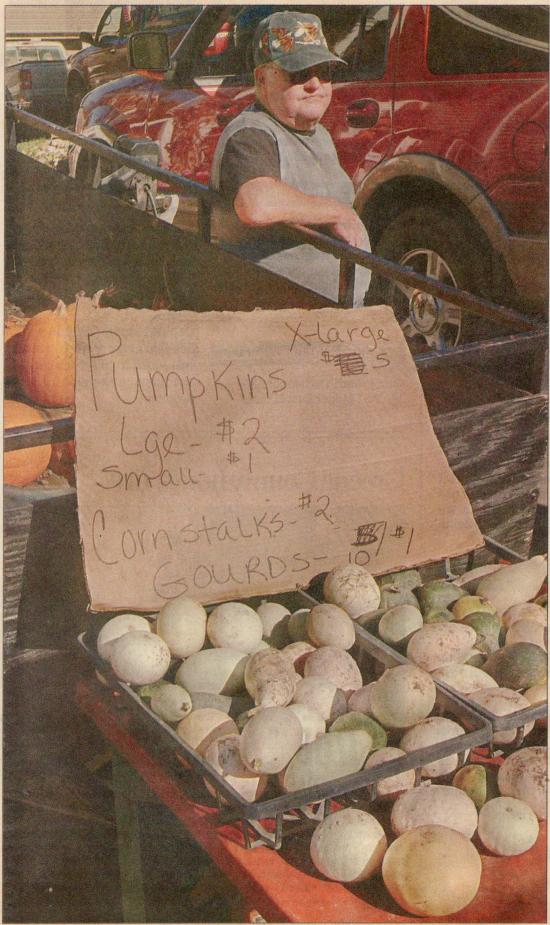


### Softball champs

Hickory, the ASA Class C 12-and-under state champions with a 24-0 record, include front row, from left, Kate Saftner, Stacey Kelley, Caitlyn Kelly, Karlee Hoffman and Brittany Bongiorni. Second row: Marlena Maga, Justine

Cass and Leah Zofchak. Back row: coach Linda Maga, coach Mark Saftner, and manager Chester Hoffman. Missing from photo: Maggie Mucha, coach Jeff Zofchak, and scorekeeper Janet Mucha. Hickory captured the Dis-

### olgn of the season



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Elmer Doman of Washington watches over a yard sale that included pumpkins and gourds grown by Donna Coffield of Hickory. The display attracted people who were attending the Hickory Apple Festival Sunday.

### BIRTHDAY

### Hatfield - 100 years

Laura Hatfield of Mt. Pleasant Township celebrated her 100th birthday with a luncheon given by her family at First Christian Church social hall.

She was born February 10, 1906, a daughter of Harry and Kizzie Kelley Dinch. She is the last of her immediate family.

On September 10, 1926, she married Earl Hatfield, who is deceased.

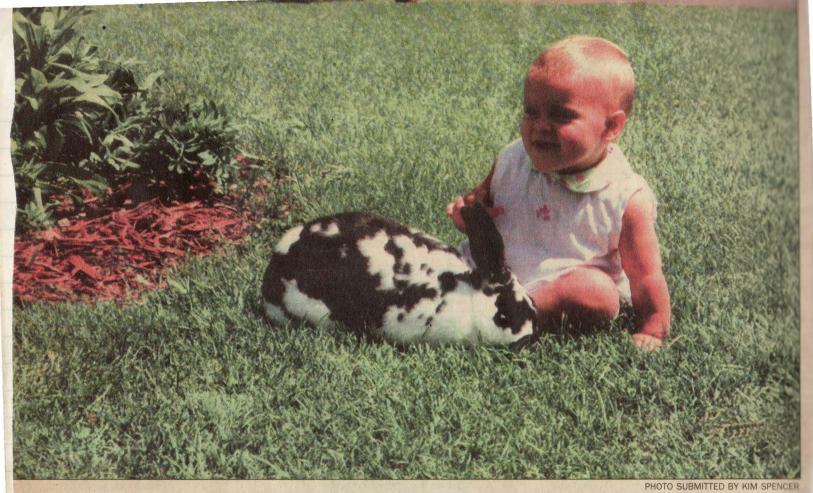
Her two children are Loretta Staley, with whom she makes her home, and the late Kenneth Hatfield.

She has four grandchildren, Kenneth Hatfield II, Dr. Cynthia



Hatfield, Judith Horne and Kathy Wise, and 15 great-grand-children.

Mrs. Hatfield worked for the Washington City Mission for 34 years, retiring at age 89, and she enjoyed gardening.



### **Gentle pet**

Rebecca Spencer, 1, of Avella, daughter of Kim and Chuck Spencer, plays with her sister Kara's bunny, Cheyanne, on the amily farm.

### **Richard Markovich**

U.S. Army vet, state Game Commission employee



R i c h a r d Markovich, 81, of Claysville, West Finley Township, died Monday, November 16, 2009, in Humlth Care Center,

bert Lane Health Care Center, South Strabane Township, following a six-month illness.

He was born August 29, 1928, in Avella, a son of Paul and Mary Roth Markovich

Roth Markovich.
Mr. Markovich was Roman

Catholic.

He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War as a buck sergeant. He was wounded on two separate occasions in battle.

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Mr. Markovich was a 36-year employee of the Pennsylvania Game Commission. He served as land manager for the Food and Cover Corps and as a deputy game warden.

He was a member of National Rifle Association and enjoyed gardening, hunting and watch-

ing football.

His wife, Mary Gulla Markovich, died December 2, 1988. Surviving are a son, Richard

Surviving are a son, Richard Paul Markovich Jr. of Claysville, with whom he made his home; a daughter, Cheryl Royer of San Diego, Calif.; five sisters, Mildred Torboli of Washington, Pauline Malone and Lola Nicholas, both of Canonsburg, Elenora Meyers of Columbus, Ohio, and Beatrice Holland of Midway; and two grandchildren, Keith Royer and Chaz Semko.

Deceased, in addition to his

Deceased, in addition to his wife and parents, are a son, Charles Semko; three brothers, John, Freddie and Thomas Markovich; and two sisters, Margaret Zebrasky and Kathleen

Wright.
Friends wishing to attend graveside services should meet at 10:45 a.m. Thursday, November 19, at West Finley Cemetery where services will be held at 1 a.m., followed by full militar, honors from the U.S. Army and American Legion James R. Hunt Post 639 of Claysville. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions be made to the American Cancer Society or Humbert Lane Health Care Center. Arrangements are by Michael H. Heinrich Funeral Home, Claysville. A guest book is available at www.heinrichfuneralhome.com

The Marriage Ceremony
of
Nyla J. McQuillan
to
Gary L. Kennedy
officiant
Rev. John Mark Scott
February 16, 1980 - 5:30 P.M.

Preparatory

Organist - Mrs. Becky Michalka
Soloist - Mrs. Susan McQuillan
"Sunrise, Sunset"
"We've Only Just Begun"
"Wedding Song"

Processional

"Bridal March"

Greeting
Scripture Reading
Prayer
Exchange of Vows

Exchange of Rings

Lighting of Candle

Reading - "Ceremony of the Candles"

Benediction
Music - "Our Wedding Prayer"

Presentation of Roses

Recessional - "Wedding March"

#### Wedding Party

Maid of Honor Tracy Dire
Matron Lórna Lyle
Bridesmaids Beth Bednarzik
Susie Seminick
Amy Goughenour

Best Man Kenny McElhaney

Groomsmen Rodney Rankin
Jack Clemens
Donnie Cooke
Chris Clemens

Ring Bearers Sandra McQuillan Louis McQuillan

Flower Girl Ginger McQuillan

Wedding Programs Marie McQuillan Peggy Goughenour

Wedding Book Nina McQuillan
Becky McQuillan

Rice Packets Jymme Diane Phillips

To Our Guests -

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to you for sharing with us this joyous occasion.

A special thank you to our family and friends who, along with God's guidance, have made this day a reality.

We invite you to continue our celebration at our reception at the Midway V. F. W.

CLEMENS - In loving memory of our dear husband and father Charles Clemens who passed away four years ago April 1, 1974 Though his smile is gone forever

And his face we cannot touch Time will never dim the memories Of the one we loved so much

He has never really left us. Although he is away. We treasure all the memories More with each passing day, God knows how much we miss

him. How hard it is to bear.

And silently he reminds us That our father is in his care.

BELL

SADLY MISSED BY WIFE MINNIE, SON RUSSEL, DAUGHTERS MARY, BETTY, PEG, HELEN AND CLARA