

Stella Bertovich

Longtime Avella area resident

Stella Bertovich, 84, of Patterson Road, Avella, died Wednesday, July 10, 2002, in Washington Hospital.

She was born March 17, 1918, in Cherry Valley, a daughter of Joseph and Antonina Mysior Macugoski.

Mrs. Bertovich was a member of Follansbee Congregation of Jehovah Witness for 50 years.

Her husband, Steve Bertovich, died April 18, 1982.

Surviving are two daughters, Joyce Takah and Donna Hines, both of Avella; a son, Joe Bertovich of Avella; a brother, Steve Macugoski of Avella; two sisters, Clara Ivanac of Avella and Mary Orenchuk of Burgettstown; two grandchildren, Steven Bertovich and Leslie Lounder; and a great-grandson.

Deceased are two brothers, Joseph and Edward Macugoski; and a sister, Jennie Orenchuk.

Bethel Ridge Cemetery, Eldersville.

Elsie L. Vergnola

Psychiatric aide at Mayview State Hospital

Elsie L. Vergnola, 76, of Muse, died Tuesday, July 9, 2002, in Mercy Hospital, Pittsburgh.

She was born October 13, 1925, in Cuddy, a daughter of Louis and Mary Hardy Casper.

Prior to retirement in 1985, she worked as a psychiatric aide at Mayview State Hospital.

On February 28, 1944, she married Dino Vergnola, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mary Mandia of Canonsburg and Donna Dennis of Houston; a sister, Loretta Roberts of McDonald; four grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Deceased are four brothers, Charles, Raymond, Louis and Joseph Casper; and two sisters, Agnes Bartrum and Margaret Maines.

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Roy R. McElhaney

Roy Raymond McElhaney, 75, of Houston, died Friday, July 5, 2002, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was a son of John and Louise McElhaney.

Surviving is his wife, Bettie Woods McElhaney.

Services and entombment were private. Arrangements were made by McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., Houston.

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

Road, about 9:30 p.m., state police said. He 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.

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 disintegrated on impact. The Neon's engine was found in the southbound lane of Fort 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 Road, which takes many twists and turns as it winds up and then down a hill. But he said local police told him the road had been 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.

"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.

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.

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Elda Jean Hoering

Member of St. Ann's Church, Bulger

Elda Jean Hoering, 50, of Burgettstown, died Friday, July 5, 2002, in Washington County Health Center, Washington.

She was born March 19, 1952, in Canonsburg, a daughter of Vincy Tabone Nencioni of Bulger and the late Elio Nencioni.

Mrs. Hoering had been employed by Schiavo Foods in Burgettstown and Villa Roma Resort in Callicoon, N.Y.

She was a member of St. Ann's Roman Catholic Church in Bulger, where she was a member of its Ladies Guild.

Surviving, in addition to her mother, are her husband, Kenneth Hoering; a sister, Anna Marie Slay of Bulger; a brother, Ronald Nencioni of Bulger; and several nieces and nephews.

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Frederick L. Allen

Golfer worked as aide at former Western Center

Frederick L. "Buff" Allen, 49, of Westland, died Thursday, June 27, 2002, in Washington Hospital.

He was born September 19, 1952, in Westland, a son of the late Leonard and Rose Lee Akres Allen.

Mr. Allen was a 1971 graduate of Fort Cherry High School.

He was an avid golfer and worked at Village Green Golf Course in Hickory.

Surviving are a brother, Robert C. Allen of McDonald; two sisters, Barbara J. Porter of Washington and Lorraine R. Minney of Bridgeville; and a host of nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, Leroy and James L. Allen; and a sister who died in infancy.

OS

Grace Agnes Brimmer

Grace Agnes Brimmer, 95, of Pittsburgh, formerly of Florida and Ingram, died Saturday, July 6, 2002, in her home.

She was born September 12, 1906, in Swissvale, a daughter of Robert G. and Lulu Thomas Agnew.

Mrs. Brimmer was a charter member of Ingram Civic Club and a member of Lakeside Methodist Church in Florida.

Her husband, Lawrence Wilson Brimmer, died in 1970.

Surviving are a son, Robert Lee Brimmer of Pittsburgh; and a brother, William Agnew.

Deceased are nine siblings. All services are private and under the direction of Lee & Martin Funeral Home, Burgettstown.

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Elsa M. Johnston

Member of Church of the Covenant

Elsa M. Johnston, 97, of Washington, died Tuesday, July 9, 2002, in Washington Hospital.

She was born March 16, 1905, in Washington, a daughter of Frank and Grace Bedillion Morgan.

Mrs. Johnston was a member of Church of the Covenant in Washington and was a homemaker.

She was a graduate of Washington High School.

On June 7, 1927, in Washington, she married Alfred M. Johnston, who died April 26, 1977.

Surviving are a brother, Paul Morgan of Washington; two grandchildren, Linda Beal and Wendy Bosnich; and two great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a daughter, Eleanor Patterson; a grandson, David Patterson; four brothers, Charles, Edgar, Nelson and Floyd Morgan; and a stepsister, Eula Clutter.

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Floyd Spencer

Army veteran was former McGraw-Edison welder

Floyd "Butch" Spencer, 55, of Washington, formerly of Meadow Lands, died Saturday, June 22, 2002, in Beverly Health Care, North Strabane Township.

He was born October 12, 1946, in Washington, a son of Jean Dunn Spencer of Washington and the late Floyd Spencer.

Mr. Spencer was a graduate of Chartiers-Houston High School, a veteran of the U.S. Army and had been a welder at the former McGraw-Edison plant in Canonsburg.

He was a member of Meadow Lands United Methodist Church, American Legion Post 902, Houston, and Canonsburg Sportsmen's Club.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are three sons, Greg and Jason Spencer, both of Washington, and Jeremy Spencer of Delaware, Ohio; four grandchildren, Colton, Alexandria Alycia, Jasmine Diane and Morgan Ashley; and a brother, George P. Spencer of Hickory.

Mary Fedock

Mary Fedock, 87, of Washington, died Wednesday, September 11, 2002, in Washington County Health Center, Washington.

She was born January 30, 1915, in Washington.

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Helen C. Noble Smiley

Former employee
of state DPW

Helen C. Noble Smiley, 83, of Bentleyville, Somerset Township, died Monday, July 15, 2002, in Washington Hospital.

She was born May 6, 1919, in North Bethlehem Township, a daughter of James Elmer and Susan Jane Post Noble.

A 1936 graduate of East Washington High School, Mrs. Smiley attended Penn Commercial in Washington until 1937.

For more than 20 years, she was employed by the state Department of Public Welfare in the Washington office.

Mrs. Smiley was a member of Emmanuel United Presbyterian Church in Eighty Four, where she served as a deacon.

She was past president for the former BPW and American Legion Ladies Auxiliary Post 165 of Bentleyville and past council president of Washington, Fayette and Greene counties Council.

Her husband, Russell Duane Smiley, died July 18, 1970.

Surviving are two sons, James Martin Smiley of Clarksburg, Md., and Terry Lee Smiley of West Alexander; two grandsons, Scott Martin and Shawn C.D. Smiley; two stepgrandsons, Mark and Kevin Pumphrey; and a stepgreat-grandson.

Maple Creek Cemetery,
Fallowfield Township.

Edward Roman

Millcraft Industries
employee was Army veteran

Edward Roman, 69, of Canonsburg, died unexpectedly Friday, July 19, 2002, in his home.

He was born June 27, 1933, in Canonsburg, a son of Paul and Loretta Ladzinsky Roman.

Mr. Roman served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War and was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 191 of Canonsburg.

He was a lifelong resident of Canonsburg, where he was a member of St. Patrick Parish.

Mr. Roman was employed by Millcraft Industries.

He enjoyed fishing.

Surviving are his wife, Shirley J. Horner Roman; three sons, Dennis Roman of Vernon, Conn., Paul Roman of Canonsburg and Kevin Roman of Los Angeles, Calif.; a daughter, Cynthia Bailey of Conway, N.H.; a brother, Thomas Roman of Eighty Four; a sister, Constance Testa of Canonsburg; four grandchildren, Sara and Laura Roman and Sharla and Lindsey Bailey; and several nieces and nephews.

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Clarence G. Schollaert

Pitney-Bowes retiree was
WWII Navy vet

Clarence G. Schollaert, 84, of Sturgeon, died Wednesday, July 17, 2002, in his home.

He was born April 21, 1918, in Sturgeon, a son of Victor and Marie A. Serboin Schollaert.

Mr. Schollaert was a 1936 graduate of South Fayette High School.

During World War II, he served in the U.S. Navy and was involved in the Normandy and southern France invasions.

Mr. Schollaert worked as a service representative for Pitney-Bowes for 35 years before retiring in 1981.

He was a charter member of Independent Bible Presbyterian Church in McDonald, where he served as an elder and trustee.

Mr. Schollaert was a member of American Legion Post 485 of McDonald.

On February 15, 1941, he married Mary Lou Smith, who died December 9, 2000.

Surviving are two daughters, Judith Ann Ward of Ruffsedale and Nancy L. Snatchko of Forest County; a sister, Catherine McCabe of Biglerville; four grandchildren, Jeffrey S. Ward, Suzanne J. Ward Babula, Jodie G. Higginbotham and Melissa A. Walsh; and seven great-grandchildren.

Deceased are four brothers, Emile, William, Victor Jr. and James Schollaert; and a sister, Blanche Sadler. RR

Tzena L. Dorchak

Attended
Chartiers-Houston schools

Tzena L. Dorchak, 37, of Washington, died Tuesday, July 16, 2002, in Montefiore Hospital, Pittsburgh, following a lengthy illness.

She was born November 6, 1964, in Washington, a daughter of Judith Cushey Stiffler of Claysville and the late Neil Dorchak.

Miss Dorchak attended Chartiers-Houston schools.

Surviving are her stepfather, Harry Stiffler of Claysville; a son, Justin Dorchak of Washington; a brother, Neil Dorchak of Houston; two sisters, Kim Cummins of Meadow Lands and Deborah Hollenbach of Florida; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Deceased are her paternal grandparents, Pete and Evelyn Barnicle Dorchak; and her maternal grandparents, Charles and Leona Meredith Cushey.

At the request of the deceased, there will be no public viewing. Services and burial in Oak Spring Cemetery, Canonsburg,

Howard B. Lamb

McDonald carpenter retired
from Dick Corp.

Howard B. Lamb, 78, of McDonald, died Tuesday, July 16, 2002.

He was born January 20, 1924, in Midway, a son of Paul N. and Anna Margaret Haugh Lamb.

Mr. Lamb was a carpenter for Sidney DeVos and Paul Descutner and retired in 1975 from Dick Corp. construction business in Pittsburgh.

He was a member of Calvary Presbyterian Church in McDonald and Carpenters Union.

On April 20, 1946, he married Grace F. England, who died September 30, 1999.

Surviving are four daughters, Nancy N. Campbell of Bulger and Beverly J. Cook, Jo-Ann Lamb and Jo-Ellyn Lesneski, all of McDonald; two brothers, Robert Lamb of Scott Township, and Albert Lamb of McDonald; nine grandchildren, Denise Terpack, Melissa Schultz, Mary Grayce Donaldson, Robert Jr. and Kristi Cook, Dawn Lesneski Kreuer, Jennifer, David Jr. and Michael Lesneski; and four great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two brothers, Lawrence and Edward Lamb; and a sister, Dorothy Nimal. RR

Lillian T. Carter

Member of First Baptist
Church, McDonald

Lillian T. Carter, 80, of McDonald, died Saturday, July 27, 2002, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born October 5, 1921, in Dewmaine, Ill., a daughter of William and Icie Bell Tabb.

Mrs. Carter was a member of First Baptist Church, McDonald, for 66 years and was active in many capacities.

She also was a member of McDonald Meals on Wheels, Salvation Army, McDonald Women's Club and McDonald Senior Citizens Club.

Mrs. Carter retired from the A&P store in McDonald, where she worked as a clerk/cashier for 23 years.

Her formal education was completed in McDonald public schools.

Her husband of 53 years, Sterling J. Carter Jr., died in 1991.

Surviving are four children, Beverly Bush of Canonsburg, Sandra Grill of Oakdale and Constance Barnaba and Billye Jo Carter, both of Houston, Texas; two grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; a brother, William Tabb of Wayne; and two sisters, Willee Hill of Magnolia, N.J., and Elinor Brown of Philadelphia. RR

Anne Wilson Alford

Cross Creek native was
WWII Army nurse

Anne Wilson Alford, 84, of Montgomery, Ala., died Thursday, July 4, 2002.

She was born July 29, 1917, in Cross Creek Township, a daughter of Lee M. and Ruth Wilson.

Mrs. Alford graduated from Hickory High School in 1935 and Washington Hospital School of Nursing.

During World War II, she served in the U.S. Army Nurse Corps in Hawaii.

Her husband, Col. Julius Alford, is deceased.

Surviving are a son, Julius Alford Jr.; two daughters, Ruth Ledgard and Claudia Kennedy; a brother, James C. Wilson of Claysville; and five grandchildren.

Burial was held in Alabama.

Bertha Holman

Grace Bible Church member

Bertha (Ruth) Holman, 82, of Claysville, died Tuesday, July 23, 2002, in her home.

She was born October 4, 1919, in Waynesburg, a daughter of Jesse and Stella Michael Weir.

Mrs. Holman was a member of Grace Bible Church, West Middletown, where she assisted with the Vacation Bible School and was a longtime volunteer with various church activities.

She attended Lagonda School and was a homemaker.

On February 11, 1941, in Roney's Point, W. Va., she married Cletus R. Holman, who died February 26, 1989.

Surviving are three sons, Kenneth R. Holman of Claysville, Arthur Holman of Garden City, Mich., and Dennis W. Holman of Washington; a brother, Arthur Weir of Claysville; a sister, Roxy Schultz of Jefferson County, Ga.; six grandchildren, Shelly Goins, Arthur Holman, Amy Stewart, and Andy, Denylle and Kristina Holman; and five great-grandchildren.

Deceased are four brothers, Junior, Clifford, Mike and Bob Weir. CL

Vincent L. Holland Jr.

Westland resident

Vincent L. Holland Jr., 39, of Westland, died unexpectedly Friday, July 26, 2002.

He was born June 3, 1963, in Pittsburgh, a son of Vincent and Patricia Sally Holland of Canonsburg.

Mr. Holland made his home with Missy Pappas.

Also surviving, in addition to his parents, are a son, Vincent L. Holland III; a sister, Charmayne Popivhak; a brother, Robert Holland; and a niece and a nephew.

All Saints PNC Church cemetery.

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Mildred M. Wilson

Member of Church
of the Covenant



Mildred M. Wilson, 92, of Washington, died at 10:40 p.m. Tuesday, July 30, 2002, in Donnell House, Washington,

following a lengthy illness.

She was born March 24, 1910, in Washington, a daughter of Hugh M. and Edna P. Simpson Sprowls.

Mrs. Wilson was a homemaker and a member of Church of the Covenant in Washington.

She was a 1930 graduate of Claysville High School.

Mrs. Wilson enjoyed traveling, reading and needlework.

On May 30, 1934, she married R. Harry Wilson, who died July 3, 1973.

Surviving are a son, Robert H. Wilson Sr. of Saylorsburg; a daughter, Elizabeth P. Wilson of Washington; three grandchildren, Valeri Vedral and Robert H. Jr. and Jason E. Wilson; and a great-grandson.

Deceased are a brother, Clayton K. Sprowls; and a sister, Helen J. Sprowls. **WM**

Robert W. Pintar Sr.

Longtime member of
SNPJ Lodge 6 of Sygan

Robert W. Pintar Sr., 75, of Cecil, died Monday, July 29, 2002, in St. Clair Hospital, Mt. Lebanon.

He was born December 5, 1926, in Sygan, a son of Jacob and Catherine Usnick Pintar.

Mr. Pintar was employed by Universal Cyclops Corp. in Bridgeville until his retirement in 1989.

He was a member of St. Mary Roman Catholic Church in Cecil, a 57-year member of SNPJ Lodge 6 of Sygan and a 28-year member of AFU of Strabane.

On July 16, 1955, he married Rose L. Tuffolo, who survives. They celebrated 47 years of marriage.

Also surviving are a daughter, Judy Krivacek of Canonsburg; a son, Robert W. Pintar Jr. of Canonsburg; a sister, Dolores Pintar of Canonsburg; two brothers, Frank Pintar of Canonsburg and James Pintar of Muse; and three grandchildren, Matthew, Christopher and Laura Pintar.

Deceased are two sisters, Margaret Grossi and Agnes Vukotich; and a brother, Richard Pintar. **QH**

Elizabeth Beal Pollock

Member of Chartiers Hill
United Presbyterian Church

Elizabeth Beal Pollock, 88, formerly of McMurray, died Saturday, July 27, 2002, in Washington Hospital following a brief illness. She had been residing in Strabane Woods, North Strabane.

She was born October 15, 1913, a daughter of Paul and Josephine Beal.

Mrs. Pollock worked most of her adult life for her sister at Beal's Motel.

She was a member of Chartiers Hill United Presbyterian Church, Canonsburg.

Surviving are two sons, Kenneth Pollock and Dale Pollock; a sister, Mernie Patterson; three grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Deceased are her husband, Thomas Pollock, who she married in 1949; two brothers, Paul and Oscar Beal; and a sister, Bertha Beal of McMurray. **F**

Ronald F. Janeshek

Former Bulger resident
was retired meat cutter

Ronald F. Janeshek, 73, of Florida, formerly of Bulger, died Saturday, July 13, 2002.

He was born in Midway, a son of Vincent and Josephine Janeshek.

Mr. Janeshek retired as a meat cutter for A&P Tea Co. and moved to Florida 11 years ago.

Surviving are his wife, Jean Slack Janeshek; two sons, Larry of Falls Church, Va., and Ronald Janeshek of Centerville, Va.; three sisters, Eleanor Wachter of Mt. Lebanon, Dorothy Aivalotis of Midway; and several nieces and nephews.

Interment was in Florida National Cemetery.

Mary Lou Jeram

Burgettstown resident

Mary Lou Jeram, 78, of Burgettstown, died Monday, July 22, 2002, in Washington Hospital.

She was born January 31, 1924, in Burgettstown, a daughter of Robert and Anna Plice Robinson.

Her husband, Joseph Jeram, died July 15, 2001.

Mrs. Jeram was a graduate of Union High School in Burgettstown.

Surviving are two daughters, Jo Ann Jeram Alexander and Luanne Jeram, both of Imperial; two grandchildren, Katherine and Nicholas Alexander; several nieces and nephews; and several great-nieces and great-nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, Robert and William Robinson.

Anna Stewart

Member of McDonald
Alliance Church

Anna Stewart, 94, of McDonald, died Wednesday, July 24, 2002, in Tandem Village, Canonsburg.

She was born August 25, 1907, in Noblestown, a daughter of Dominick and Mary Russo Catola.

Mrs. Stewart was a homemaker.

She was a member of McDonald Alliance Church and McDonald Senior Citizens.

On June 12, 1925, she married William Stewart, who died May 30, 1983.

Surviving are three sons, William L. Stewart of McDonald, Ridley Stewart of Burgettstown and Louis R. Stewart of Canonsburg; two sisters, Rose Burg of Farmington, N.M., and Janet Colaizzo of Houston; seven grandchildren, Shirley Schut, Betty King, R. Ridley, Louis Jr. and William W. Stewart, Pamela J. Hickson and Laurie Shafer; five great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

Deceased are four brothers, Dominick Jr., Ralph, Tony and Louis Catola; and a sister, Carmella Catola. **RR**

Cora K. Pribish

Longtime resident
of Avella area

Cora Katherine Oiler Duke Pribish, 94, of Avella, died at 6:45 a.m. Wednesday, July 24, 2002, in her home after a lengthy illness.

She was born March 28, 1908, in Hawks, Ohio, a daughter of William S. and Minnie Carrigan Oiler.

Mrs. Pribish lived the past 65 years in the Avella area.

In 1927, she married John T. Duke, who died in 1939.

On September 27, 1948, she married Steve Pribish, who survives.

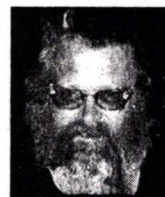
Also surviving are three daughters, Irma Duke Hutnick of Hobart, Ind., Kathleen Duke Brozstek of Wellsburg, W. Va., and Bertha Duke Hunt of Avella; 10 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; 10 great-great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Pribish was the last of her immediate family.

Deceased are five sisters, Mary Martin, Gladys Lumpkin, Hazel Stefanovich, Pearl Price and twin Dora Oiler; two brothers, Charles and Martin Oiler; and twin great-great-grandsons. **I**

Thomas R. Stewart

Former Hickory resident
enjoyed motorcycles



Thomas R. Stewart, 51, of Chester, Utah, formerly of Hickory, died Friday, July 5, 2002, in San Pete County, Utah. He

died from what he enjoyed doing most, riding his Harley Davidson motorcycle.

He was born June 19, 1951, in Washington, a son of Barbara Schofield Stewart of Hickory and the late Richard Dean Stewart.

Mr. Stewart was a 1969 graduate of Fort Cherry High School and was a former member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church.

He was devoted to taking care of his pets, Dot and Charlotte.

Mr. Stewart enjoyed friends and mountains and loved racing while living in Chester for the past 21 years.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are three daughters, Heather Lynn Vallone of Pittsburgh and Crystal Lynn and Cassandra Babbette Stewart, both of Washington; three grandchildren, Thomas Andrew, Kacey Lee and Preston Michael Stewart; a sister, Nancy J. Stewart of Hickory; and a niece and two nephews.

Deceased is a daughter, Michele Lee Stewart.

Raymond W. Gilbert

U.S. Army veteran
of World War II

Raymond William Gilbert, 81, of McDonald, died Friday, July 26, 2002.

He was born April 7, 1921, in Primrose, a son of Joseph and Louise Nourigat Gilbert.

Mr. Gilbert was a World War II veteran, having served in the U.S. Army.

He was a construction worker in Shippingport, where he was a foreman, retiring in 1982.

Mr. Gilbert was a member of McDonald Veterans of Foreign Wars, McDonald Sportsmen's Club, National Rifle Association and Local 833.

On August 9, 1941, he married Grace Helen Cagnon, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Virginia (Ginny) Lee Perenic of Manassas, Va.; four brothers, Lawrence Gilbert of Primrose, Joseph Gilbert of Carnegie, Fred Gilbert of Primrose and Robert "Blackie" Gilbert of Midway; three sisters, Florentine Suplit, Ellen Schiff and Mary Hartsic, all of McDonald; a grandson, Robert Perenic; and two great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two brothers, James and Donald Gilbert; and a sister, Hazel Schollaert. **FL**

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.

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.

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 Army.

John J. Sterle

WWII vet retired from Fort Pitt Bridge Works

John J. Sterle, 85, of Strabane, died Monday, July 29, 2002, in McMurray Hills Manor, McMurray.

He was born April 8, 1917, in Colorado, a son Frank Sr. and Anna Marincic Sterle.

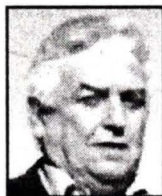
Mr. Sterle was a retired crane operator for Fort Pitt Bridge Works, Canonsburg.

He served in the U.S. Army Air Forces during World War II and

Deceased are two brothers, Pfc. Frank Sterle Jr., who died in World War II, and Joseph R. Sterle; and two sisters, Mary Zigman and Anna Ducsay. OS

Edward E. Main

Dairy farmer from West Alexander



Edward E. Main, 79, of West Alexander, died unexpectedly Thursday, August 1, 2002.

He was born April 24, 1923, in

West Finley Township, a son of Ellsworth Crawford and Carrie Evelyn Craig Main.

Mr. Main was a member of West Alexander United Methodist Church.

He was a 1943 graduate of West Alexander High School.

Mr. Main was a dairy farmer.

He was a technical sergeant in the U.S. Army during World War II, serving in the Pacific Theater.

He was a mortar NCO with the 148th Infantry Regiment, 37th Infantry Division, and received two Purple Hearts during his service.

Mr. Main was a member of American Legion Post 656 of West Alexander, where he also played darts.

He previously worked with Washington County Soil Conservation District.

In 1946, in Washington, he married June L. Glasow, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, James Edward Main of Claysville; a daughter, Linda Burgdolt of Avella; two sisters, Evelyn Bosnok and Mary Jane Davis, both of Wheeling, W.Va.; two grandchildren, Richard L. and Amy Duller Burgdolt; five great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a son, Jack Reed Main, who died at birth; and three brothers, Glenn R. Main, who died in 1999, and two brothers who died in infancy. WA

Robert E. Smith

U.S. Army veteran resided in Bulger

Robert E. Smith, 86, of Bulger, Robinson Township, died Thursday, August 1, 2002, in McMurray Hills Manor.

He was born November 6, 1915, a son of Harry R. and Goldie Atkinson Smith.

Mr. Smith was a U.S. Army veteran and a laborer for U.S. Steel Corp.

Surviving are his wife, Marie Ciammaichella Smith; a son, Harry Smith of Crafton; a daughter, Linda Washington of McDonald; two grandchildren, Steven and Kenneth Shaffer; and four great-grandchildren

Deceased is a sister, Edna Dill.

Services and interment are private and under the direction of Thomas-Little Funeral Service Inc., McDonald.

Dorothea Wilson

Longtime area teacher was active in historical societies



Dorothea Wilson, 91, of Wellsburg, W.Va., died at 7:55 p.m. Thursday, August 1, 2002, in Beacon House of St. Clairsville, Ohio.

She was born January 4, 1911, in West Finley Township, a daughter of John A. and Mary J. Linville Montgomery.

Mrs. Wilson was a 1930 graduate of Claysville High School and earned a teaching certificate from California State Teacher's College.

In 1974, she retired after 40 years of teaching in West Finley Township and the Avella area schools.

Mrs. Wilson was a member of Grove United Presbyterian Church of West Middletown, where she taught Sunday school and worked in Women's Missionary Association.

She held life membership in the Washington County, Pennsylvania and National retired teacher associations. She was a 50-year member of Independence Grange 179, a

On June 29, 1938, she married Ewing S. Wilson, who died October 9, 1964.

Surviving are a sister, Alice Ellison of Valley Grove, W.Va.; and many nieces and nephews.

Deceased are three brothers, Nelson, Guy L. and William Montgomery; and a sister, Leah Henderson. WM

Lois M. Koehler

Fairhill Manor Christian Church member

Lois M. Koehler, 78, of McClelland Road, Canonsburg died Thursday, August 1, 2002, in St. Clair Hospital, Mt. Lebanon.

She was born January 20, 1924, in Thomas, a daughter of Charles and Jeannette McNary Sumney.

Mrs. Koehler was a graduate of Trinity High School.

She was employed by RCA Corp. and later Tactec in Meadow Lands.

Her husband, Burt A. Koehler is deceased.

Surviving are a daughter, Donna Koehler of Canonsburg; a son, Richard E. Sumney of Canonsburg; two grandchildren, Richard W. and Robert D. Sumney; four great-grandchildren; a sister, Mildred Shaw of Washington; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, Oliver and Clair Sumney; and a sister, Margaret Meyers. OS

Patricia D. Alexander

Houston woman retired from Bell of Pa.

Patricia Dent Alexander, 72, of Houston, died Tuesday, July 30, 2002, in her home following a lengthy illness.

She was born March 21, 1930, in Cecil Township, a daughter of Eugene and Eliza Harper Dent.

Mrs. Alexander was a 1948 graduate of Chartiers Township High School, where she was valedictorian of her class.

She retired in 1992 from Bell of Pa. after 26 years of service. She also worked at the former RCA plants in Canonsburg and Meadow Lands.

Mrs. Alexander was a member of IOTA of Washington.

On May 31, 1958, she married Fred Alexander, who died August 20, 1996.

Surviving are two brothers, Eugene Dent Jr. of Houston and J. Robert Dent of Atlanta, Ga.; seven sisters, Nancy Dent of Houston, with whom she made her home, Carol Dent-Campbell of Baltimore, Md., Phyllis Edwards of Kissimmee, Fla.; Betty McNeal of Las Vegas, Nev.; Marjorie Peterson of Riverdale, Ga.; Dorothy Rose of San Diego, Calif.; and Elayne White of Decatur, Ga.; and many nieces and nephews. OS

Howard C. Craig

Claysville resident showed Saddle Bred horses

Howard C. Craig, 87, of Claysville, died Tuesday, July 30, 2002, in his home.

He was born February 13, 1915, in Pittsburgh, a son of Joseph L. and Mary Farmer Craig.

Mr. Craig was a member of United Presbyterian Church in Claysville.

A resident of Claysville for more than 70 years, he was a 1934 graduate of Claysville High School.

Mr. Craig was employed by Blue Ridge Bus Co. in Pittsburgh as a driver and by Pennsylvania Railroad as a security guard. He retired from Jessop Steel as a welder and foreman in 1980. He also worked in the shipyard in Ambridge as a welder during World War II.

His wife, Romaine Anderson (Peg) Craig, survives. They were married October 24, 1940, in Zion United Methodist Church, Claysville.

Also surviving are several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are three brothers, Joseph, Charles and Curtis Craig; and three sisters, Vivian Karpaw, Mary Jean Reese and Betty McCallister. CL

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Louis R. Crowe

Retired Western Center cook was Army veteran

Louis R. Crowe, 70, of Avella, died at 12:28 p.m. Thursday, August 1, 2002, in Washington Hospital.

He was born January 23, 1932, in Buffalo Township, a son of Louis R. and Martha Simpson Mull.

Mr. Crowe served 20 years in the U.S. Army as a staff sergeant, working as a cook.

He was employed by Western Center as a cook for 19 years, retiring in 1992.

Mr. Crowe had been a resident of the Avella area since 1974.

On September 24, 1967, he married Eleanor Bertovich, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Liza Gonzalez of Avella; three grandchildren, Kimberly, Joseph and Zachary Gonzalez; and a brother, Charles R. Crowe of Washington.

Deceased are a sister, Annabelle Crowe; and four brothers, William, John, Benjamin and James R. Crowe.

WP

Margaret H. Miles

Owned personal care home in Washington

Margaret H. Miles, 82, of Washington, died Sunday, August 19, 2002, in Washington Hospital.

She was born October 26, 1919, in Washington, a daughter of Clara and George Langland.

Mrs. Miles was a member of St. Hilary Roman Catholic Church in Washington.

She enjoyed taking care of the elderly.

She owned and operated Miles' Personal Care Home, which became Candlelight Assisted Living on North Main Street in Washington.

Her husband, Robert J. Miles, died June 16, 1979.

Surviving are two sons, Robert Miles of Florida and David J. Miles of Washington; a brother Earl (Roy Scott) Langland of Mt. Pleasant; and four grandchildren, Jeffrey Scott, Megan, Christopher and Robert L. Miles.

Deceased are a son, John F. Miles; and several brothers and sisters.

MP

William F. Grillo

Lifelong Cecil resident was Mayview driver

William F. Grillo, 92, of Cecil, died Tuesday, August 20, 2002, in his residence.

He was born June 15, 1910, in Cecil, a son of Louis and Catherine Lombardo Grillo.

Mr. Grillo was a lifelong resident of Cecil, where he was a member of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

He was a member of United Mine Workers Local 7732 and was employed as a truck driver at Mayview State Hospital, retiring in 1973.

Mr. Grillo enjoyed hunting, fishing and working in his garden.

On February 13, 1934, he married Anna Turiczek, who survives and with whom he celebrated 68 years of marriage.

Also surviving are a daughter, Anna Marie Cowden of McDonald; two sons, Louis H. Grillo of Dry Tavern and William J. Grillo of Bridgeville; a brother, Ernest Grillo of Cecil; eight grandchildren, Louanne Kuharcik, Karen Ruscitti, Lisa and William M. Grillo, Susan M. Greiner, Regina Spolnik, Donna Barca and A.J. Cowden; and three great-grandchildren.

Deceased are four sisters, Rose Grillo, Carmella Duman, Mary Pino and Julia Turiczek; and a brother, John Grillo.

St. Mary's Cemetery.

Alma Jane McConnell

Played piano at Zion United Methodist Church

Alma Jane McConnell, 77, of Avella (Hopewell Township), died Friday, August 16, 2002, in Washington Hospital.

She was born March 16, 1925, in Mt. Pleasant, a daughter of Lavina Hough Kelly of Washington and the late Arthur Manuel.

Mrs. McConnell was a member of Zion United Methodist Church, where she was a longtime piano player and sang in the choir.

She was a high school graduate and a homemaker.

Mrs. McConnell enjoyed sewing, baking and bowling.

She was married to James T. Barr, who died in 1980, and previously married to Gerald McConnell, who died in 1996.

Surviving are four sons, Terry Lee Berg of Georgia, John S. Berg of Washington, Wayne Berg of Avella and Dean Berg of Florida; two daughters, Patricia Grambling of Martinsburg, W.Va., and Nancy Bradenburg of Avella; a sister, Gloria Hjelmstad of Waco, Texas; 10 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

A brother, Arthur Manuel Jr., is deceased.

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Ohio motorcycle crash kills McGuffey graduate

A Dillonvale, Ohio man, formerly of West Alexander, died Tuesday from injuries suffered when he wrecked the motorcycle he was driving early Monday in Colerain Township, Ohio.

Norman L. "Sonny" Mayne Jr., was pronounced dead at 6:44 p.m. in Mercy Hospital, Pittsburgh, according to the Allegheny County Coroner's office. Mayne died of head and chest injuries.

Mayne was traveling west on a 1980 Harley-Davidson when he drove the cycle off the right side of the road just after midnight, according to Ohio State Highway Patrol in St. Clairsville. Mayne was thrown from the motorcycle when the cycle hit a guardrail.

Mayne was a 1980 graduate of McGuffey High School. He was a construction supervisor for Industrial Commercial Consulting International Inc. in Oakdale and a specialist in hazardous waste removal.

Norman L. Mayne Jr.

Hazardous waste removal specialist

Norman L. "Sonny" Mayne Jr., 40, of Dillonvale, Ohio, formerly of West Alexander, Claysville and West Liberty, W.Va., died Tuesday, August 20, 2002, in Mercy Hospital, Pittsburgh, as a result of injuries sustained in a motorcycle accident.

He was born March 21, 1962, in Canton, Ohio, a son of Norman L. Sr. and Margaret Jean Crowe Mayne of West Alexander.

Mr. Mayne was Protestant and a 1980 graduate of McGuffey High School.

He was a construction supervisor for Industrial Commercial Consulting International Inc. in Oakdale and a specialist in hazardous waste removal.

Mr. Mayne enjoyed hunting, fishing, automotive work and participating in demolition derbies.

On June 1, 1996, in the Christian Church of West Liberty, he married Ruth Shaw, who survives.

Surviving, in addition to his wife and parents, are a son, Aaron Michael Mayne of Canfield, Ohio; three daughters, Debra Lee and Ashley Marie Mayne, both of Canfield, and Carrie Lynn Mayne, at home; two stepsons, David Appleby II or Tiltonsville, Ohio, and Jason Appleby of Wheeling, W.Va.; a stepdaughter, Lesia Appleby, at home; two sisters, Sylvia Jean Mayne Fleenor of Canton, and Mary Lee Mayne Shepherd of Wheeling; a granddaughter, Kaitlyn Marie Pasco; and a stepgranddaughter, Destiny Lela Marie Appleby.

WA

Andrew H. Donaldson

Bulger resident self-employed mechanic

Andrew H. (Sam) Donaldson, 80, of Bulger, died Monday, August 12, 2002, in Washington Hospital.

He was born April 12, 1922, in Bavington, a son of James and Margaret Rowlands Donaldson.

Mr. Donaldson was a World War II veteran who served in the U. S. Army.

He was a self-employed auto mechanic and a heavy equipment operator.

Mr. Donaldson was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars in Bulger and Local 66 Operators Union.

On August 4, 1945, he married Donna Haines, who died February 11, 1994.

Surviving are four sons, Dennis Donaldson of Oakland, Jerry Donaldson of McDonald, James Andrew Donaldson of Joffre and Timothy Donaldson of Bulger; four daughters, Betty Jane Cox of Arlington, Va., Bonnie Lou Sowinski of Bulger, Donna Lynn Donaldson of McDonald and Karen Sue Andrews of Langeloth; a sister, Shannon Hoover of Newcomerstown, Ohio; 19 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, Sam Donaldson; three brothers, James, John (Dick) and William Donaldson; and a sister, Lois Barrett.

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Margaret McDonough

Claysville grad was member of Jessop Club

Margaret E. Hancher McDonough, 58, of Washington, formerly of Claysville, died Saturday, August 17, 2002, in Washington Hospital following a lengthy illness.

She was born June 30, 1944, in Washington, a daughter of the late George A. and Margaret (Peg) Brownlee Hancher.

She was Protestant. A 1962 graduate of Claysville High School, she had been employed as a nursing assistant at Mayview State Hospital, Bridgeville, and as a waitress at several local restaurants.

She was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 927, Washington, and the Jessop Club.

She enjoyed reading, doing puzzles, writing letters and spending time with her grandchildren.

Surviving are a son, Harry E. Damerow of Washington; a daughter, Jodi Lynn Damerow of Canonsburg; two sisters, Lynn Galloway of Claysville and Celestine Jeanes of Haworth, Okla.; three grandchildren, Christopher and Michael Von Damerow and Johnathan Laschinsky; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased is a grandson, Evan Jean Damerow.

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Charles D. Hildreth

Mine mechanic
for Dilworth Mine

Charles D. "Hildy" Hildreth, 54, of Hopewell Township, died unexpectedly Tuesday, August 13, 2002, in Washington Hospital.

He was born September 20, 1947, in Washington, a son of Thomas and Sara Burgh Hildreth of Washington.

Mr. Hildreth was a 1965 graduate of Trinity High School.

He previously worked as a machinist for RCA and later as a mine mechanic in Dilworth Mine for the past 20 years.

Mr. Hildreth was a member of United Mine Workers of America Local 1980 and a former member of ABATE.

He was an avid pool player and made custom cue sticks.

Surviving, in addition to his parents, are two sisters, Judy Leichty of McMurray and Paula Jones of Washington; two nieces, Jackie Newman and Julie Havanis; and a nephew, Josh Jones. **WF**

Alvin H. Polk

34-year RCA employee

Alvin H. Polk, 69, of Houston, died Tuesday, August 20, 2002, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born January 12, 1933, in Uniontown, a son of Anthony J. and Anna Putz Polk.

Mr. Polk was a member of Trinity Bible Fellowship Church in Washington.

He had worked for 34 years for RCA and was employed by Sears in Washington.

Mr. Polk was a 1951 graduate of Chartiers High School.

He enjoyed button-box music and was a collector of trains and radios.

On May 17, 1954, he married Joan Cross, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Brian Polk of Tallahassee, Fla., and Timothy Polk of Pittsburgh; a granddaughter, Amy Polk; and two stepgranddaughters, Laura and April Ryan. **WF**

Kenneth L. Sadler

Avella resident attended
Kingdom Hall

Kenneth L. Sadler, 44, of Avella, died unexpectedly Sunday, August 18, 2002.

He was born October 4, 1957, in Steubenville, Ohio, a son of Delores Coppa of St. Cloud, Fla., and the late Dale Sadler.

Mr. Sadler attended Kingdom Hall in Follansbee, W. Va.

He made his home with Robert Blaha of Avella.

Surviving are four brothers, Dale Sadler of Pensacola, Fla., Ron Sadler of Burgettstown, Don Sadler of Steubenville and Jay Michael Sadler of St. Cloud; and a sister, Terri Pesta of Pensacola. **I**

Ollie F. Pattison

Smith Machine Shop
retiree was WW II veteran

Ollie F. (Pete) Pattison, 78, of Vaneal Road, Washington, died Thursday, August 8, 2002, at home.

he was born March 27, 1924, in West Finley, a son of William F. and Grace Stollar Pattison.

Mr. Pattison was a member of Central Assembly of God Church in Houston.

During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army 779th Anti-aircraft Artillery, 7th Division.

Mr. Pattison was employed by Brockway Glass 27 as an operator and retired from Smith Machine Shop in Eighty Four.

He was a 49-year member of Edwin Scott Linton American Legion Post 175 and an 18-year commander of the Royal Rangers.

Mr. Pattison enjoyed attending flea markets, hunting, fishing and black powder guns.

On March 27, 1946, he married Esther J. Latimer, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Karen DeMarino of Washington; a brother, Charles D. Pattison of Claysville; two sisters, Goldie Richardson of Yorkville, Ohio, and Blanche Seibert of Wheeling, W. Va.; a granddaughter, Nicole DeBee; a great-grandchild; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, William and Earl Pattison. **W**

Naomi Marie Newell

Greenskeeper
at country club



Naomi Marie Newell, 68, of Canonsburg, died unexpectedly Tuesday, August 20, 2002, in her home.

She was born August 3, 1934, in Canonsburg, a daughter of Roman and Anna E. Gail Rybarski.

Mrs. Newell was a member of Zion Lutheran Church of Bridgeville.

She was employed as a greenskeeper at Rolling Hills Country Club, McMurray.

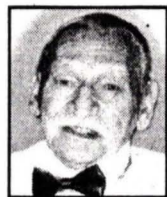
Her husband, Gale W. Newell, died August 8, 1980.

Surviving are a daughter, Olive Newell Messmer of Mechanicsburg; two brothers, Walter J. Rybarski of Canonsburg and Thomas Rybar of Carmel, Ind.; two sisters, Bernice DeBoe of Canonsburg and Nancy Trylko of Houston; and three grandchildren, Elizabeth, Paula and David Messmer.

Deceased are two brothers, Edwin R. and Wallace Rybarski; and a sister, Ruth Rybarski. **OS**

Clarence Anderson Jr.

Dedicated Steeler fan



Clarence H. Anderson Jr., 83, of Prosperity, died at 5:45 p.m. Thursday, August 15, 2002, in Washington Hospital,

following a brief illness.

He was born October 26, 1918, in Morgantown, W. Va., a son of Clarence H. Sr. and Desi Dell Smith Anderson.

Mr. Anderson had worked for more than 30 years as an aide at Mayview State Hospital.

He was a member Keystone Baptist Temple and attended West Virginia University, Morgantown.

Mr. Anderson was a World War II veteran.

He enjoyed walking and was a dedicated Steeler fan.

His wife, Lois L. Wright, died May 2, 2001.

Surviving are four sons, Steven Anderson of West Virginia, Terry Anderson of Houston, Clarence H. Anderson III of Prosperity and Arthur W. Miller of New York; six daughters, Juanita Hanning of Prosperity, Tina Cunningham of Imperial, Marla Kulbacki of Prosperity, Isabelle Ward of Prosperity, Nora Jenkins of Lone Pine and Jody Robinson of Prosperity; 23 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren;

Deceased are a daughter, Emma Jane Anderson; and two grandchildren, Brittnay Anderson and Michael Paul Moschell. **HC**

Ilean V. Bails

Worked at glass
and can companies

Ilean V. Bails, 82, of Washington, died Friday, August 16, 2002, in Presbyterian Medical Center, Washington.

She was born July 20, 1920, in Washington, a daughter of Clarence and Katherine Daugherty McClelland.

Mrs. Bails worked for Hazel Atlas 2, Continental Can and Brockway Glass.

On March 8, 1949, she married Merle R. Bails, who died May 28, 1990.

Surviving are four sons, Wayne, Mark and Gary Bails and A.J. McClelland, all of Washington; a daughter, Renee Jenkins of Birmingham, Ala.; a brother, the Rev. Harold McClelland of Canonsburg; a sister, Eleanor Campbell of Chicago, Ill.; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two brothers, Kenneth and Clarence McClelland; and a stepgrandchild.

James A. McAdoo

Supervisor
at Marietta Coal Co.

James A. McAdoo, 60, of West Alexander, died Friday, August 9, 2002, in Wheeling (W. Va.) Hospital.

He was born July 19, 1942, in Donegal Township, a son of Edith Doman McAdoo of West Alexander and the late Albert E. McAdoo.

Mr. McAdoo was a 1960 graduate of West Alexander High School and served in the U.S. Army from 1961 to 1965.

He was a supervisor at Marietta Coal Co. in Bellaire, Ohio.

Mr. McAdoo was a member of West Alexander American Legion Post 656.

He was a member of West Alexander Presbyterian Church and Allum's Sunday Morning Breakfast Club.

In 1963, he married Mary Ann Guess, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Erin Lash of Marlinton, W. Va., and Lisa Songer of Washington; two sons, Brian McAdoo of Claysville and Jarrod McAdoo of Greensburg; six grandchildren, Ethan and Nathaniel Lash, Bethany and Sarah Songer and Brianna and Taylor McAdoo; a sister, Helen Buckholt; and a brother, Ross McAdoo.

A sister, Barbara A. Burig, is deceased. **WA**

Peggy L. Kelso

Driftwood resident

Peggy L. Kelso, 64, of Driftwood Avenue, Driftwood, died Friday, August 16, 2002, in Elk Regional Health Center, St. Marys.

She was born October 30, 1937, in Mt. Union, a daughter of the late Bernard and Leona Grace Price Dillon.

Mrs. Kelso was a 1955 graduate of Jay Township High School, Elk County, and had been a resident of Driftwood since 1996.

She attended Down County Baptist Church, Driftwood.

On October 11, 1980, in Sinnemahoning, she married Kenneth M. Kelso, a Washington County native, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Laurie Irwin of Curwensville; three grandchildren, Todd, Corey and Shane Irwin; a sister, Nan Geishel of Lancaster; and a brother, James Dillon of Live Oak, Fla.

There will be no visitation. A memorial service will be announced later. Memorial donations may be made to American Cancer Society.

Lynch-Radkowski Funeral Home, St. Marys, is in charge of arrangements.

Anna Irene Patterson

Retired from Woodville
State Hospital

Anna Irene Patterson, 90, of Burgettstown, Smith Township, died Thursday, August 15, 2002, in her home.

She was born November 18, 1911, in Cherry Valley, a daughter of Samuel Morgan Long Thomas and Ella Jane Cain Thomas.

Mrs. Patterson was a graduate of Midway High School.

She retired from Woodville State Hospital in Collier Township after 30 years of service, was a minority inspector for Smith Township from 1973 to 2001 and served on Washington County Board of Elections.

On December 7, 1935, she married Clarence D. Patterson, who died December 22, 2000.

Surviving are two sons, Thomas Patterson of Burgettstown and Timothy Patterson of Cleveland, Ohio; a daughter, Patricia Patterson of Burgettstown; five grandchildren, Stephanie, Elizabeth, Michael, Daniel and Caitlin Patterson; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a son, C. David Patterson III, who died in 1971; and a grandson, Matt Patterson, who died in 1998. **G**

Floretta Peterson

Member of Trinity
Presbyterian Church

Floretta Peterson, 101, of Friendship Village, died Wednesday, August 14, 2002, in Friendship Village, Upper St. Clair.

She was born March 2, 1901, in McDonald, a daughter of Charles and Catherine Rumbaugh Peterson.

Miss Peterson taught for many years in Carnegie School District.

She was a member of Trinity Presbyterian Church in McDonald.

Deceased is a sister, Mildred Peterson. **RR**

Diana Grant

Former McDonald resident

Diana Grant, 47, of Newark, Ohio, formerly of McDonald, died Thursday, August 8, 2002, in Licking Memorial Hospital, Newark.

She was born May 23, 1955, in Canonsburg, a daughter of Robert Stevens and Eunice Harrington Land of McDonald.

Surviving, in addition to her mother, are two sons, Jerrold Liggett of Washington and Russell Grant of Midway; a brother, Robert Stevens of McDonald; and six sisters, Ramona Miller, Priscilla, Terri and Sherri Land, all of McDonald, Pam Pihakis of Canonsburg and Mary Jane Broglia of Cecil.

Her stepfather, Donald Land, is deceased.

Jane C. Bibby

Worked at Claysville bank
for 35 years

Jane C. Bibby, 84, of Claysville, died Friday, August 16, 2002, in Hixenbaugh's Convalescence Home, Claysville.

She was born July 2, 1918, in Claysville, a daughter of William and Marguerite Barr Carson.

Mrs. Bibby was Protestant.

She was a 1936 graduate of Claysville High School and worked for the former National Bank of Claysville and its successor, Mellon Bank, for 35 years until her retirement in 1983.

Along with her husband, Mrs. Bibby enjoyed showing Mastiff dogs and reading.

On November 3, 1940, in St. Clairsville, Ohio, she married William M. Bibby, who survives.

Also surviving are two cousins, Patty Barr Dorgan of Canonsburg and Robert Barr of Fairmont, W. Va. **CL**

Maria H. Agoris

Owner of the former Agoris
Candies in Houston

Maria H. Passadis Agoris, 90, of Houston, died Saturday, August 24, 2002.

She was born October 26, 1911, in the village of Patrika, Island of Chios, Greece, a daughter of George Michael and LEMONIA Mihalakis Passadis.

Mrs. Agoris was a resident of Houston since 1937. From 1947 to 1984, she and her husband owned and operated Harry's Place and Agoris Candies in Houston.

She was a member of All Saints Greek Orthodox Church of Canonsburg and Philoptochos of Canonsburg, where she served as secretary. She was a member of Pan Rhodian Society and Philoptochos, both in Monessen. She also was a member of Order of Eastern Star Chartiers Chapter 97 and Order of the White Shrine.

Mrs. Agoris graduated from public school in Greece and graduated from teaching school in Mytilini, Greece, in 1929. She was a teacher in Kallimassia, Chios, Greece, until 1937.

She worked for the bishop of the sixth archdiocesan district, Kalamoti Village Organization of the United States, United Chios Societies of America and Rainbow Girls, who honored her with the Grand Cross of Color. On August 1, 1992, she received a certificate of honor from the school in Kallimassia, where she taught.

On January 17, 1937, in Chios, she married Harry D. Agoris, who died December 23, 1978.

Surviving are a daughter, Sophia McCullough of Houston; a son, Demosthenes Agoris of Houston; a sister, Efcaris Hondrakis of Athens, Greece; two grandchildren, Kathy Testa and Shawn McCullough; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a son, George Agoris; a daughter, LEMONIA Agoris; a brother; and a sister, Chrisanthi Zervoudis. **OS**

Richard G. Dunfee Sr.

Worked at Mayview for
more than 20 years

Richard Glenn Dunfee Sr., 72, of McDonald, died Wednesday, August 28, 2002.

He was born March 21, 1930, in Cecil, a son of Primrose Calvin and Bertha Mac Allen Dunfee.

Mr. Dunfee retired in 1991 after more than 20 years as a janitor at Mayview State Hospital.

He was a member of Calvary Presbyterian Church in McDonald and was an avid fisherman.

On August 18, 1982, he married Mary Ann McGinnis, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Richard Dunfee Jr. of Waynesburg and Benjamin and Jeremy Dunfee, both at home; a daughter, Illa Andrews of Canonsburg; two brothers, Paul Dunfee of California state and William Dunfee of Ravenna, Ohio; seven sisters, Nettie Ackroyd, Goldie P. Fields and Mary Andrews, all of Washington, Delsey Fidler of Rochester, Ruth Foflygen of Hickory, Grace Foflygen of Burgettstown and Evelyn Potter of the state of California; seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two daughters, Tonya M. and Sylvia I. Dunfee; three brothers, Robert L., Harold C. and Donald D. Dunfee; and two sisters, Pearl Stoner and Virginia L. Hallam. **N B**

Irene Mary Salansky

Active in Mt. Pleasant
Historical Society

Irene Mary Salansky, 80, of McDonald, died Friday, August 23, 2002, in Manor Care Health Services, McMurray.

She was born September 1, 1921, in Nottingham, England, a daughter of Thomas and Mable Gardner Wright.

Mrs. Salansky worked as a draftsman for Bell Telephone of Pennsylvania in the engineering department, Washington, for 25 years.

She was an active member of Mt. Pleasant Historical Society, Hickory, Bell Telephone Pioneers and was a member of senior citizens.

On November 7, 1946, she married her husband of 55 years, Alex Salansky, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Michael Collingwood of Canonsburg, David Collingwood of Sellersville and Paul Salansky of Coal Center; a daughter, Rosemarie Collingwood of Convent Station, N.J.; 10 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; two sisters, Margaret and Mable, and a brother, Thomas, all of Nottingham, England.

Deceased is a sister, Gladys.

Virginia D. Sedmak

Was member
of St. Patrick Church

Virginia D. Sedmak, 71, formerly of North Strabane Township, died at 1:20 p.m. Friday, August 30, 2002, in Washington Commons, Bridgeville.

She was born January 12, 1931, in Chartiers Township, a daughter of James and Mary E. Feiszli Woodruff.

Mrs. Sedmak was a member of St. Patrick Roman Catholic Church, Canonsburg, and also a member of KSKJ St. Jerome's Lodge 153 and SNPJ Lodge 138, both in Strabane.

She attended Trinity High School and, with her husband, owned and operated Carey's Confectionary in Strabane for 20 years.

Mrs. Sedmak also worked at Bobbie Brooks in Meadow Lands, Guzell's Hardware in Canonsburg and was a certified nurse's aide at Country Meadows in Bridgeville.

She also was a homemaker.

On December 27, 1947, she married Joseph J. Sedmak, who died April 1, 2002.

Surviving are a son, Joseph J. (Jay) Sedmak Jr. of South Fayette Township; three daughters, Sharon D. Richards of Cecil, Kathleen Sisul of Washington and Roberta (Bobbie Jo) Campbell of Philadelphia; two sisters, Dorothy McDaid of Eighty Four and Betty "Gray" MacIntosh of Palmdale, Calif.; five grandchildren, Brian Richards and Michael, Jonathan, Brittney and Audrianna Sisul; and several nieces and nephews. **OS**

Marie A. Dalverny

Bulger homemaker

Marie A. Dalverny, 88, of Bulger, died Thursday, August 29, 2002, in her home.

She was born October 23, 1913, in Cherry Valley, a daughter of Eldon and Anna McCusker McConaughy.

Mrs. Dalverny was a homemaker and a member of St. Ann Roman Catholic Church in Bulger.

On December 10, 1938, she married George Dalverny, who died July 18, 1988.

Surviving are three daughters, Huberta and Georgette Dalverny and Ruth Gabrielli, all of Bulger; three grandsons, Michael Dalverny and John Michael and Joe Gabrielli; a brother, James McConaughy of Weirton, W. Va.; a sister, Bernice Salem of Arroyo, Calif.; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are three sisters, Irene Lukan, Vera Fleming and Dolores Weyman. **C**

Dorse E. Bowman

McGraw-Edison retiree was WWII medic

Dorse E. Bowman, 81, of Canonsburg, died Saturday, August 31, 2002.

He was born October 17, 1920, in Paint, a son of John H. and Cora Hoffman Bowman.

Mr. Bowman served as a combat medic with the U.S. Army during World War II and was employed in the coil treating department of McGraw-Edison before his retirement.

He was a resident of Canonsburg since 1954 and was a member of American Legion Post 902 of Houston.

Mr. Bowman was Presbyterian.

On December 9, 1944, he married Ellen Griffey, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Larry Bowman of Washington, Harold Bowman of Canonsburg and Alan Bowman of Scenery Hill; a brother, Eugene Bowman of Canonsburg; five grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a brother, Gerald Bowman; and two sisters, Oma Ross and Catherine Bowman Pugh. OS

Hubert W. Benson Jr.

Army veteran, expediter for McGraw-Edison

Hubert W. "Bert" Benson Jr., 73, of Linnwood Road, Eighty Four, died Thursday August 22, 2002, in his home, following a lengthy illness.

He was born November 27, 1928, in Canonsburg, a son of Hubert W. Sr. and Elsie Scully Benson.

Mr. Benson was employed for 30 years as an expediter for McGraw-Edison in Canonsburg.

He was a staff sergeant in the U.S. Army and served 11 months overseas during the Korean War.

Mr. Benson was a member of First United Methodist Church of Canonsburg.

On March 2, 1956, he married Regina Karpy, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Robert W. Benson of Eighty Four and William B. Benson of Washington; a daughter, Jennifer L. Benson of Eighty Four; two grandchildren, Chelsea L. Benson and Trevor J. Benson; and several nieces and nephews.

Mr. Benson was the last of his immediate family.

Deceased are a brother, Bernard Benson; and three sisters, Jean McLaughlin, Annabelle Mellon and Lois Cottrell. WF

Irene L. Penderville

Member of Midway Methodist Church

Irene L. Penderville, 89, of Bulger, died Saturday, August 31, 2002, in Bulger.

She was born November 20, 1912, in Butler, a daughter of Oscar and Nellie Pearl Morrow Pape.

Mrs. Penderville was a homemaker and a member of Midway Methodist Church, where she was a member of its Women's Guild.

Surviving are a son, John (Jack) Penderville of Canonsburg; two daughters, Janet Crawford and Jo Ann Hicks, both of Bulger; a brother, the Rev. Howard Pape of Phoenix, Ariz.; a sister, Virginia Morrison of Rosemead, Calif.; 15 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are her husband, Felicien Penderville; two sisters, Myrtle and Marian Pape; and two granddaughters, Lisa and Jill Crawford. RR

Eleanor C. LaRoss

Member of St. Alphonsus Church in McDonald

Eleanor C. LaRoss, 93, of McDonald, died Sunday, August 25, 2002, in Country Meadows Nursing Home, Bridgeville.

She was born October 24, 1908, in Noblestown, a daughter of Michael Francis and Annie Johanna Schmidt Collins.

Mrs. LaRoss was a member of St. Alphonsus Roman Catholic Church, McDonald, and was a partner with her husband at W.A. LaRoss Co.

On February 2, 1940, she married William A. LaRoss Jr., who died March 29, 1983.

Surviving are two daughters, Mary E. (Molly) Arcure of Strabane and Johanna (Joannie) Meehan of Cheshire, Conn.; and three grandchildren, Timothy and Julie Meehan and William Arcure.

Deceased are a grandson, David Arcure, who died in October 1972; a brother, John F. Collins; and a sister, Florence Valentour. RR

Mildred V. Gagich

Avella homemaker

Mildred Victoria Marinkovich Gagich, 74, of Cooke Road, Avella, died Tuesday, August 20, 2002, in Donnell House, Washington.

She was born October 9, 1927, in Cedar Grove, a daughter of Marko and Josephine Kopus Marinkovich.

Mrs. Gagich was a homemaker.

On October 3, 1954, she married Joseph Gagich, who survives.

Also surviving are four daughters, Joanne Izzo and Roseanne Anderson, both of Henderson, Nev., Maryanne Capp of Wellsburg, W. Va., and Diane Frank of Avella; a son, Joseph A. Gagich of Avella; six grandchildren, Eugene and Anthony Capp, Francesca Izzo, Dominic III and Natalie Frank and Rachel Anderson; a brother, Walter Marinkovich of St. Marys, Ohio; and two sisters, Anna Dewar of Houston and Barbara Marinkovich of Wellsburg.

Franklin Cemetery, Wellsburg.

Mary Fedock

Mary Fedock, 87, of Washington, died Wednesday, September 11, 2002, in Washington County Health Center, Washington.

She was born January 30, 1915, in Washington. NB

J. Lenore Fisher

Member of Fourth Presbyterian Church



J. Lenore Fisher, 74, of Washington, died at 5 a.m. Friday, August 23, 2002, in Washington Hospital, following a one-month illness.

She was born June 19, 1928, in Hickory, a daughter of Leonard Eugene and Gwendolyn Conkle Neil.

Mrs. Fisher attended Washington High School and was a homemaker.

She was a member of Fourth Presbyterian Church, Washington, and its Ladies Aid Society and a member of Daughters of the American Revolution.

Surviving are two daughters, Beverly N. Nelson of Douglas, Mass., and Lisa A. Fisher of Washington; two sisters, Mary Edna Thomas of Washington and Myrtle Violet McDowell of Canonsburg; a grandson, William D. Nelson Jr.; and a great-grandson.

Deceased are a brother, Wilford C. Neil; and two sisters, Ruth Ogden and Betty Yancosek.

William Sutherland Jr.

Began career in lumber business in 1946

William Wallace Sutherland Jr., 83, of Mt. Lebanon, died Sunday, August 25, 2002.

He was born in 1919, in Avella, a son of William Wallace Sr. and Luella Wiegman Sutherland.

Mr. Sutherland was a 1935 graduate of Avella High School and received a bachelor of science degree in forestry from Penn State University in 1939.

Following graduation, he worked with W.M. Ritter Lumber Co. in New York City and South Carolina until 1940.

In 1940, Mr. Sutherland entered the U.S. Army as a private, spending much of his duty in central Europe. He was honorably discharged as a major following World War II in 1946.

He began work with his father in the hardwood lumber business in 1946 and built the present-day Sutherland Lumber Co. in Burgettstown, beginning in 1958.

Surviving are his wife, Nancy McDonald Sutherland; three sons, Bill of Sewickley Heights, Jack of Manhasset, N.Y., and Mac of Harrison, N.Y.; four daughters, Holly of Arlington, Va., Laurel of Mt. Lebanon, Ashley of Atlanta, Ga., and Heather of Charlotte, N.C.; and 25 grandchildren. BE

George P. Trenary

Baltimore Life insurance agent

George P. Trenary, 83, of Langeloth, died Saturday, September 7, 2002, in Presbyterian Senior Care, Washington.

He was born December 14, 1918, in Colliers Township, Allegheny County, a son of William and Pauline Kreiger Trenary.

Prior to retirement, Mr. Trenary was employed as a coal miner for Harmon Creek Coal and then later as an insurance agent for Baltimore Life Insurance Co.

He was a veteran of World War II, serving with the U.S. Navy.

Mr. Trenary was a member of Langeloth Presbyterian Church, Richard Vaux Masonic Lodge 454, F&AM; Kucher-Saska Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6955 in Burgettstown; and Burgettstown Senior Citizens.

He was a member of the Langeloth Community Day committee and was instrumental in the erection of the new honor roll in Langeloth.

His wife, Ruth Louise Baker Trenary, survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Sandra Hipps of Fayetteville, Ga., and Darla Orenchuk of Paris, Ohio; four grandchildren, Cherilyn and Leigh Anne Hipps and Kristin and John Patrick Orenchuk.

Deceased are a daughter, Georgia Lynn Trenary, who died in 1963; and three sisters, Mildred Trenary, Emma Kochansky and Minnie Dubloe. **MP**

Ronald H. Perenic

St. Patrick Church member was Air Force veteran

Ronald H. Perenic, 59, of Houston, died Friday, September 6, 2002, in his home.

He was born March 12, 1943, in Canonsburg, a son of Mildred Rettinger Perenic of Southview and the late Frank Perenic.

Mr. Perenic was a member of St. Patrick Roman Catholic Church, Canonsburg.

He served in the U.S. Air Force and had worked in the large finishing department of the McGraw-Edison plant in Canonsburg and also for Ross Mould in Washington.

On May 7, 1966, he married Barbara J. Allison, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Jeffrey Frank Perenic of Royal Oak, Mich., and Ronald Michael Perenic of Bridgeville; two grandsons, Tyler and Andrew Perenic; and two brothers, Robert F. Perenic of Manassas, Va., and Richard J. Perenic of Smyrna, Ga. **RR**

Tillie Z. DeBaker

Hendersonville homemaker

Tillie Zgorliski DeBaker, 91, of Hendersonville, died Wednesday, September 4, 2002, in Donnell House, Washington.

She was born January 28, 1911, in Export, a daughter of William and Anna Smolenski Zgorliski.

Mrs. DeBaker spent most of her life in Hendersonville and was a homemaker.

She was a former member of St. Elizabeth Church in Lawrence.

Her husband, Jules DeBaker, is deceased.

Surviving are two daughters, Jean Bumbera of Canonsburg and Marcella Dawson of Hendersonville; three sons, Richard DeBaker of Verona, Earl DeBaker of Hendersonville and James DeBaker of Canonsburg; a sister, Florence Z. DeBlazio of Canonsburg; 17 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two sons, Leonard and Raymond DeBaker; and seven brothers, Mitchell, Felix, Chester, William, Walter and Raymond Zgorliski and Henry F. Zgorzeliski. **OS**

Albert Wacker

Morgan Equipment mechanic

Albert (Dave) Wacker, 59, of Hickory, died Monday, September 9, 2002, in Washington Hospital.

He was born January 13, 1943, a son of the late Albert and Violet Catena Wacker.

He was employed by Morgan Equipment in Bridgeville as a heavy equipment mechanic.

Mr. Wacker made his home with Virginia Magdich and her children, Brenda and Steven Magdich, all of Hickory.

Surviving is a sister, Patricia Rizer of Texas. **FL**

Rose T. Prevost

Formerly of McDonald

Rose T. Prevost, 86, of Pittsburgh, formerly of McDonald, died Thursday, September 5, 2002.

Her husband, Merle E. Prevost, is deceased.

Interment will be private. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, September 10, in First United Presbyterian Church of Crafton Heights, 50 Stratmore Avenue, Crafton Heights (Pittsburgh). The family will receive friends at the church one hour prior to the service. Memorial contributions may be made to the church.

Arrangements by Hershberger-Stover Inc. Funeral Home, Crafton. **RR**

Frank Dolinar

Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel retiree from Avella

Frank Dolinar, 80, of Avella, died at 1:45 p.m. Friday, September 6, 2002, in Humbert Lane Health Care Center, Washington.

He was born February 19, 1922, in Arden, a son of Andrew and Mary Tolar Dolinar.

Mr. Dolinar was a resident of the Avella area for 43 years and a member of St. John the Baptist Church, Byzantine Rite, in Avella.

He was employed for 35 years by Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Corp., retiring in 1983.

On August 20, 1947, he married Mary C. Curtis, who died January 20, 2000.

Surviving are two daughters, Eileen Kapton of Carnegie and Nancy Banyas of Eighty Four; two grandchildren, Matthew and Amanda Kapton; three sisters, Caroline Brower of Las Vegas, Nev., Margaret Hruby of West Mifflin and Frances Cariano of Indian Harbor Beach, Fla.; and a brother, James Dolinar of Baltimore, Md.

Deceased are three brothers, Andrew, Charles and John Dolinar; and four sisters, Julie and Sophie Dolinar, Mary Wilson and Ann J. Elias. **WP**

Naomi Meneely

Washington woman was caretaker of adults, children



Naomi "Gram" Meneely, 79, of Jefferson Avenue, Washington, died at 1:25 p.m. Sunday, September 1, 2002, in Donnell House, Washington. **WP**

She was born October 4, 1922, in Independence, a daughter of Clarence and Wanetta Cooper Meneely.

Miss Meneely was Protestant. She lived with Stanley and Nettie Painter for several years on a farm in Avella and was a caretaker of several adults and children for a number of years.

Surviving are a daughter, Audine King Beno, with whom she made her home; two grandsons, Mark "Bugsy" and Kenneth Patterson; two stepgranddaughters, Dawn Caserta and Stephanie Richter; four great-grandchildren; 19 nieces and nephews; a brother, Charles Meneely of San Bernadino, Calif.; and two sisters, Beulah Meneely of Wellsburg, W. Va., and Marjorie Kirschner of Washington.

Deceased are five brothers, Dwight "Bud", Emmett "Shorty", Albert (Keith), Harry "Red" and Harold "Lefty" Meneely. **I**

William Sohyda

Cleveland Alcoa employee formerly of Muse

William (Bill) Sohyda, 73, of Cleveland, Ohio, formerly of Muse, died Saturday, August 31, 2002, in Southwest General Hospital, Middleburg Heights, Ohio.

He was born March 6, 1929, in Muse, a son of Nick and Anna Sinclair Sohyda.

Mr. Sohyda was a member of Sts. Peter and Paul Orthodox Church in Lakewood, Ohio, and while living in Muse was a member of St. John's Orthodox Church in Canonsburg.

He attended Cecil schools, and during the Korean War served in the U.S. Army.

Mr. Sohyda was a tow-motor operator at Alcoa aluminum plant in Cleveland, where he worked for 35 years.

He was a member of Veteran of Foreign Wars Post 191 of Canonsburg and American Legion Post 902 of Houston.

On August 1, 1953, he married Marie Paulot, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Richard Sohyda of LaGrange, Ohio, and Larry Sohyda of Cleveland; two brothers, Harry Sohyda of Muse and Steve Sohyda of Canonsburg; two sisters, Dorothy Talpas and Betty Rosmus, both of Canonsburg; two grandchildren; a stepgrandchild; two stepgreat-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, John and Michael "Mitch" Sohyda; and four sisters, Mary O'Brien, Helen Macik, Anna Katlubeck and Margaret Lord. **OS**

Lillian M. McClain

Member of First United Methodist Church

Lillian M. (Dot) McClain, 95, of Canonsburg, died at 3 a.m. Thursday, September 12, 2002, in Humbert Lane Health Care, Washington.

She was born May 25, 1907, in Canonsburg, a daughter of Owen and Betsy Bowers Adams.

Mrs. McClain was a member of First United Methodist Church of Canonsburg and was a graduate of Canonsburg High School.

She was a presser at Kuhn's Cleaners in Canonsburg and a homemaker.

Mrs. McClain enjoyed growing flowers.

Her husband, John R. McClain, died in 1963.

Surviving are a brother, Frank J. Adams of Titusville, Fla.; a sister, Bobbie Phillips of Mentor, Ohio; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, William S. Adams and Owen H. Adams; and four sisters, Sarah Spalla, Dorothy Bissell, Violet Kuhns and Jean Harris. **OS**

Belle Culley Sturgeon

Formerly of Oakdale

Belle Culley Sturgeon, 88, of Morgantown, W. Va., formerly of Oakdale, died Friday, September 6, 2002, in Heritage Point Suites, Morgantown.

She was born October 19, 1913, in Midway, a daughter of Samuel and Martha Scott Culley.

Her husband, Wallace L. Sturgeon, died February 4, 2002.

Surviving are a daughter, Doris Prete of Morgantown; three grandchildren, Michele Prete, Marsha Sutter and Laura Morgano; six great-grandchildren; a brother, Bill Culley of Georgetown; and a sister, Ruth Dowler of Burgettstown.

Deceased are a sister and four brothers.

East Oak Grove Cemetery,
Morgantown.

Anthony McCoskey

Retired coal miner

Anthony McCoskey, 88, of Slovan, died Wednesday, September 11, 2002, at Horizon Senior Care, Canonsburg.

He was born June 13, 1914, in Export, a son of Mr. and Mrs. John McCoskey.

Mr. McCoskey was a retired coal miner.

He was married to Anna Samloff, who died November 9, 1996.

Surviving are two daughters, Arlene J. Gurosko of Slovan and Shirley Ferrell of Tampa, Fla.; a son, Anthony McCoskey Jr. of Clinton; six grandchildren, Troy Jocar, Robb Gurosko, Rodney Gurosko, Jason McCoskey, Stacey and Jackie; and three great-grandchildren.

Deceased are three brothers and two sisters.

F

Alfred R. Romestan

Bulger bartender
was WWII veteran

Alfred R. Romestan, 79, of Bulger, died Sunday, September 8, 2002, in Weirton Medical Center, Weirton, W. Va.

He was born March 16, 1923, in McDonald, a son of Louis and Germaine LeFebber Romestan.

Mr. Romestan was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II, and retired as a bartender from Wes's Bar in Bulger.

Surviving are two brothers, Jules Romestan of Bulger and Melvin Romestan of Burgettstown; three sisters, Dolly Poznak of Midway, Lois Snatchko of Imperial and Donna Mae Brookshire of Illinois; and many nieces and nephews.

C

Donald A. Nice

Bish Transportation
school bus driver

Donald A. Nice, 75, of McDonald, died Tuesday, September 17, 2002, in his home.

He was born February 14, 1927, in Robinson Township, a son of George and Blanche Randour Nice.

Mr. Nice was a veteran of World War II and served in the U.S. Army.

He was a 1944 graduate of McDonald High School.

Mr. Nice was a coal washer for Consolidation Coal Co. for 50 years and a school bus driver for Bish Transportation, from which he retired in 1984.

He was a member of United Mine Workers of America Local 6754.

On January 9, 1954, he married Sandra E. Coulter, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Curt A. Nice of McDonald; five brothers, Lloyd Alfred of McDonald, Floyd Alfred of Midway, David Alfred of Pittsburgh, Darryl Alfred of Carnegie and Daniel Alfred of West Virginia; and a grandchild, Tiffany Berthold.

MP

Francis McCaffrey Jr.

Signal Financial Corp. CEO
from McMurray

Francis McCaffrey Jr., 76, of McMurray, died Friday, September 20, 2002.

He was born April 23, 1926, in Sturgeon, a son of Francis and Margaret Gaitens McCaffrey.

Mr. McCaffrey was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II.

—He was chief executive officer and president of Signal Financial Corp. and past president of Pennsylvania Financial Services Association and American Financial Services Association.

Mr. McCaffrey was past president of Fort Cherry School Board and a former board member of Western Pennsylvania Better Business Bureau.

Mr. McCaffrey was a former member of Duquesne Country Club and Chartiers Country Club and was an avid golfer and traveler.

His wife of 50 years, Patricia Ann McCaffrey, survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Dr. Francis M., John and Martin McCaffrey; two daughters, Ann Higgins and Nancy Rodgers; five brothers, James, Robert, Phillip, Patrick and Thomas McCaffrey; two sisters, Peg Willison and Mary Ann Boynes; and 13 grandchildren, Maura, Tommy and Kevin Higgins, Paul, Peter, Kathleen, Megan, Michael, Marisa, Brian and Conner McCaffrey and Maggie and Kayla Rodgers.

QH

John Joseph Hebda

Hickory resident retired
from state police



John Joseph Hebda, 82, of Hickory, died Thursday, September 19, 2002, in his home.

He was born August 30, 1920,

in Jerome, a son of John and Mary Olszewska Hebda.

Mr. Hebda was a member of Holy Trinity National Catholic Church in Washington.

He served in the U.S. Coast Guard as a specialist first class during World War II and retired from Pennsylvania State Police as a sergeant after 36 years of service. He later served as director of safety and security at Washington Hospital.

Mr. Hebda was a member of Edwin Scott Linton American Legion Post 175, Pennsylvania Association of Retired State Employees and Retired State Police Association and a charter member of Fraternal Order of Police National Trail Lodge 47.

Mr. Hebda was an active gardener who enjoyed sports, collecting antiques and reading.

His wife, Stella, whom he married June 14, 1947, survives.

Also surviving are a son, John Jr.; a daughter, Dr. Toni Hebda; five sisters, Helen Tomera, Anna Drzal, Genevieve Wallet and Florence Slezak, all of Johnstown, and Mary Jane Kozak of Jerome; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a sister, Nellie Hyland; and three brothers, Theodore, Henry and Joseph Hebda.

MP

Herman L. Tournay

Worked for Weirton Steel

Herman L. Tournay, 80, of McDonald, died Saturday, September 14, 2002, in St. Clair Hospital, Mt. Lebanon.

He was born March 10, 1922, in McDonald, a son of Harry and Leonie Quevi Tournay.

Mr. Tournay was a yard conductor for Weirton Steel, where he worked for 33 years before retiring in 1982.

He was a member of McDonald Alliance Church.

On April 15, 1961, he married Alberta (Bertie) Longstreth, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Paul August Blanc of Pennsboro, W. Va., and John Harry Blanc of Grove City, Ohio; a daughter, Jean Blanc Smith of Follansbee, W. Va.; seven grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are four brothers, David "Bear," Alfred, Raymond and Paul Tournay; and three sisters, Betty Mae Kraznak, Josephine Paulian and Margaret Kunkle.

RR

AMITY — A 54-year-old Houston man was killed Friday in a motorcycle accident on Route 19 in Amwell Township, the fourth fatal motorcycle crash on Washington County roads this year.

David Lloyd Chastel of North Main Street was pronounced dead at the scene at 6:45 p.m. by Washington County Deputy Coroner Tim Kegel.

Chastel was traveling south up a hill on Route 19, also known as Amity Ridge Road, less than a mile from the Interstate 79 Lone Pine exit,

when the Harley-Davidson he was riding left a slightly curved stretch of road and struck a guardrail about 5:50 p.m., state police said.

David L. Chastel

Vietnam War vet was
Chartiers-Houston grad

David L. "Snake" Chastel, 54, of Houston, died Friday, September 20, 2002, as a result of injuries sustained in a motorcycle accident.

He was born March 11, 1948, in Washington, a son of Alice McClure Chastel of Houston and the late Lloyd B. Chastel.

Mr. Chastel was a 1966 graduate of Chartiers-Houston High School.

Mr. Chastel was a U.S. Army veteran of the Vietnam War, serving with Company B of the 26th Signal Battalion from August 1967 to August 1970.

He was a member of American Legion Post 902, Houston.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are a son, Michael D. Chastel of Washington; a daughter, Nichole Clemens of Claysville; a stepdaughter, Michele McMillan of Ellsworth; five grandchildren, David, Tonya and Michael Clemens and Daniel and Matthew McMillan; a brother, Jack B. Chastel of McMurray; two sisters, Dawna Grudi of Houston and Penny Chastel-Phillips of Wellsburg, W. Va.; and six nieces and nephews.

OS

Melva Jean Smith

Burgettstown homemaker

Melva Jean Smith, 83, of Burgettstown, died Friday, September 13, 2002, in her home.

She was born May 18, 1919, in Avella, a daughter of Fred and Clara Krum Klink.

Her husband, Paul P. Smith, died in 1976.

Surviving are a son, David Smith of Burgettstown; a daughter, Sandra Warchol of Greenville; a brother, Fred Klink Jr. of Irwin; a sister, Charlotte Sabatase of Bavington; six grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

A sister, Fern Peterson, is deceased.

RR

Louis Abbott

West Allegheny High School custodian

Louis Abbott, 79, of Bulger, died Tuesday, September 17, 2002.

He was born May 20, 1923, in Bulger, a son of John and Faustina Bevarqua Abbott.

Mr. Abbott was a custodian for West Allegheny High School, from which he retired in 1985.

Prior to that, he worked for Pennsylvania Railroad.

Mr. Abbott was a life member of Midway Volunteer Fire Department and a member of St. Ann Roman Catholic Church in Bulger.

On December 20, 1941, he married Emma Lauff, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Raymond L. Abbott of Midway; a daughter, Rosetta Semerod of Midway; a brother, Charles Caprista of Santa Clara, Calif.; eight grandchildren, Carol Curtis, Stanley, Timothy and Brian Semerod, Michelle Iskey, Kim Dinsmore, Jody Nichols and Raymond Abbott Jr.; and six great-grandchildren.

Deceased are four brothers, Anthony, Joseph, John and Raymond Abbott; and three sisters, Rose Russell, Theresa Russell and Mary Fullum.

RR

Martin Casciola Jr.

Pa. Transformer Co. retiree formerly of McDonald

Martin Casciola Jr., 76, of Canfield, Ohio, formerly of McDonald, died Thursday, October 3, 2002, in St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Youngstown, Ohio.

He was born June 1, 1926, in McDonald, a son of Martin Sr. and Charlotte Eldin Casciola.

Mr. Casciola was an equipment operator for the former Pennsylvania Transformer Co. in Canonsburg, where he worked for 30 years before retiring in 1979.

During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army Air Forces. He was a member of United Steelworkers of America Local 3968.

Surviving are a son, Martin W. Casciola of Imperial; two daughters, Susan Seidel of Canfield, Ohio, and Carla Simons of Avella; five sisters, Martha Sawyer of Pittsburgh, Evelyn Henderson of Carnegie, Dolly Casciola and Gloria Arlia, both of Canonsburg, and Sylvia Firestone of Stuart, Fla.; nine grandchildren, Lisa Lehman, Lori Wysocki, Corrie and Henry Froats, Kimberly Beight, Carrie Schrock, Kayla Seidel and Leigh Ann and Martin A. Casciola; and five great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a brother, Daniel Casciola; and a sister, Louise DeCola.

V

Anton Rupar Jr.

Retired machine operator for Washington Steel

Anton (Tony) Rupar Jr., 84, of Southview, died Friday, September 13, 2002, in his home.

He was born April 6, 1918, in Herminie, a son of Anton Sr. and Frances Zevnik Rupar.

Mr. Rupar was employed by Washington Steel as a machine operator in the Z Mill, retiring in 1983.

He was a member of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Cecil.

Mr. Rupar also was a member of SNPJ of Southview, St. Hilary's Travel Club, Moose Lodge 127 of Canonsburg and Elks Lodge 776 of Washington.

Surviving are a daughter, Bettie Guiliani of Bridgeville; a son, Richard A. Rupar of Canonsburg; two brothers, Amil Rupar of McDonald and Frank Rupar of Fayetteville; 10 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Deceased are his wife, Marie Moore Rupar, who died on June 25, 1990; a daughter, Barbara Marie Rupar; and a brother, Joseph Rupar.

QH

Jules LeMal Jr.

Owner of Kio's Colonial Lounge in McDonald

Jules "Skinny" LeMal Jr., 81, of McDonald, died Saturday, October 5, 2002, in Washington Hospital.

He was born November 27, 1920, in Sturgeon, a son of Jules P. "Kio" and Adolphine "Doll" Motte LeMal.

Mr. LeMal served in the U.S. Army during World War II and was a Pearl Harbor survivor. He received the Asiatic Pacific Service Medal with three Bronze Star Medals and one Bronze Arrowhead.

He was the owner of Kio's Colonial Lounge in McDonald since 1966. Before that, he worked for the former Taylor Forge and Pipe Works of Carnegie.

Mr. LeMal was a life member and past commander of McDonald American Legion Post 485 and was a life member of McDonald Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 567.

On October 4, 1947, he married Juliana L. Smith, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Richard J. LeMal of Mesa, Ariz.; two daughters, Sandra L. Hill of Hickory, formerly of Canonsburg, and Wendy D. Golightly of Carlisle; two brothers, Albine "Steak" LeMal of Carnegie and William "Lemon" LeMal of Scott Township; a sister, LaVerne (Bernie) Dettore of McDonald; and three grandchildren, Timothy Scott and Michelle Diane Golightly and Kevin Alan Hill.

Deceased are a brother Mearl "Tubby" LeMal; and a sister, Rosemarie "Sis" Bell.

RR

Dominick Little

40-year coal miner of McDonald

Dominick Little, 86, of McDonald, died Friday, September 13, 2002, in his home.

He was born March 16, 1916, in Midway, a son of Guy and Mary Borella Little.

Mr. Little was a coal miner for more than 40 years, working at No. 9 Mine and Consolidation Coal Co., from where he retired in 1976.

He was a member of United Mine Workers of America.

On July 26, 1940, he married Philomena (Phyllis) Dinino, who died April 4, 2001.

Surviving are three daughters, Eleanor Jean Little of McDonald, Ruthann Barker of Pensacola, Fla., and Marylee Murin of Pittsburgh; a brother, Prosper "Scotty" Little of McDonald; three sisters, Rose Lacey, Cecelia Navoski and Jeanne Kielman, all of McDonald; four grandchildren, William Gene Barker, Eleanor Jane Betsworth, Wendy Lynn Ferguson and Dominic White; and eight great-grandchildren.

A sister, Lucy Little, is deceased.

RR

Florence V. Mounts

Independent Baptist taught Sunday school



Florence Virginia Shipley Mounts, 79, of Washington, died Tuesday, October 1, 2002, following a lengthy illness.

She was born February 13, 1923, in McKeesport, the only child of Charles and Elizabeth Ludwig Shipley.

Mrs. Mounts was a graduate of Trinity High School.

She was an Independent Baptist and sang in a choir, taught Sunday school and enjoyed reading her Bible.

Mrs. Mounts enjoyed doing crossword puzzles and visiting with her family.

On March 28, 1944, she married James A. Mounts, who survives.

Also surviving are six children, James A. Mounts and Sandra L. Halverson, both of Claysville, Nancy K. Ricker of Dallas, Texas, Donna J. Thomas of Port Washington, N.Y., and Diana L. Smith and Gary E. Mounts, both of Washington; 16 grandchildren, James, Mark, Michael, Karis, Hannah, Joanna, Leanna, Anna Lisa, Melissa, Charles, Kevin, Gail, Timothy, Daniel, Jeffrey and Brian; and three great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two grandsons, Nathanael and Jonathan Thomas.

WA

Raymond Sefzik Sr.

World War II Army veteran

Raymond "Die" Sefzik Sr., 84, of McDonald, died Wednesday, September 18, 2002, in Washington County Health Center, Washington.

He was born April 30, 1918, in Sturgeon, a son of Fritz and Emma Bright Sefzik.

Mr. Sefzik served in the Civilian Conservation Corps from 1939 to 1941.

He was a veteran of World War II and served in the U.S. Army during campaigns in Sicily, Central Europe, North Africa and southern France. He received the European-African-Middle Eastern Service Medal, with eight bronze stars, and the Distinguished Unit Badge.

Mr. Sefzik was a member of McDonald Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 567, Sturgeon Franco-Belgium Club, Sturgeon Athletic Association and Independent Club in Muse. He was a charter member of Sturgeon Volunteer Fire Department.

His wife, Dorothy Hans Sefzik, died June 25, 1983.

Surviving are a son, Raymond Sefzik Jr. of Midway; a daughter, Ricki Shimon of Bulger; six grandchildren, Summer Pizzuti, Courtenay and Travis Sefzik, Jeff and Eric Shimon and Shelley Matalik; and two great-grandchildren.

Mr. Sefzik was the last of his immediate family.

Deceased are four brothers, Gustave Sr., Albert, Andrew and Clarence Sefzik.

RR

Thomas A. Hart

Retired chemist for Universal Cyclops

Thomas A. Hart, 92, of Canonsburg, formerly of Gladden, died Saturday, September 28, 2002, in Washington Hospital.

He was born January 28, 1910, in Gladden, a son of Frank and Luella Yeates Hart.

For 44 years, Mr. Hart was employed as a chemist for Universal Cyclops in Bridgeville, retiring in 1970.

He was a member of Gladden United Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Hart played and refereed for Universal, Morgan and Heidelberg soccer teams.

On September 11, 1937, he married Annette Heirentd, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Joyce Jobe and Bonnie Kopach, both of Bridgeville; six grandchildren, Tom, Susan and Travis Jobe, Dan and Bill Kopach and Kery Chase; and six great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two brothers, Gordon and Dick Hart; and a sister, Grace Simon.

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Mt. Pleasant teen killed, brother hurt in wreck

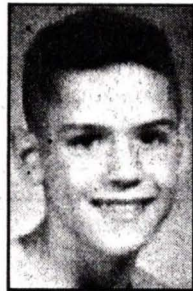
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A 16-year-old student at Fort Cherry High School was killed and his brother seriously injured in a one-car accident Thursday night on Cherry Valley Road in Mt. Pleasant Township.

Matthew Bachman and his 14-year-old brother, Brian, of 104 Beechnut Road, Mt. Pleasant Township, had just left a dance at Fort Cherry High School and were on their way home about 9:40 p.m., said Dean Casciola, officer in charge of the township police department. Matthew Bachman was a junior and his brother is a freshman at the high school.

Matthew was driving east, about 200 yards east of Loeffert Road, when his car slid on the wet road while rounding a curve. The car crossed into the westbound lanes and hit a tree on the driver's side before flipping onto its roof.

Both boys were taken to Canonsburg General Hospital.



MATTHEW

Matthew Bachman was pronounced dead of head and chest injuries at the hospital less than an hour after the accident, said Washington County Coroner S. Timothy Warco. Brian Bachman was transferred to Allegheny General Hospital in Pittsburgh, where he was listed in serious condition Friday.

Casciola said excessive speed may have been a factor in the crash.

The mood was somber Friday at Fort Cherry Junior-Senior High School.

"The students are crying, but they are handling it like adults," said Dr. Robert Dinnen, school district superintendent. "They are being strong."

Matthew J. Bachman Junior at Fort Cherry H.S.



Matthew James Bachman, 16, of Hickory, died Thursday, September 26, 2002, as a result of injuries sustained in a Mt.

Pleasant Township automobile accident.

He was born November 12, 1985, in Pittsburgh, a son of Linda Wolf Bachman Frederick of Hickory and the late James Elmer Bachman.

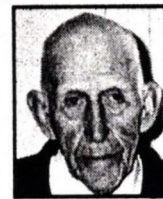
He was a junior at Fort Cherry High School, where he had a 4.0 grade-point average and was on the football, basketball and baseball teams.

Surviving are his stepfather, Kenneth Frederick; three brothers, Bradley, Brian and Grant Bachman, all at home; maternal grandfather, Richard O. Wolf of Bridgeville; and several aunts and uncles.

Deceased is his maternal grandmother, Dorothy Wolf.

MP

John Hanlin Hunter Hopewell Township farmer



John Hanlin Hunter, 94, of Washington, formerly of Avella R.D.2, died at 6:30 a.m. Thursday, October 3, 2002, in the Washington

Hospital emergency room.

He was born April 18, 1908, in Hopewell Township, a son of John Smiley and Lillian Hanlin Hunter.

Mr. Hunter was a self-employed farmer for 80 years.

He was a member of First United Presbyterian Church of Washington and former member of Cross Creek Grange.

Mr. Hunter served for 36 years on Avella School Board, 12 years as president, was a member of Upper Buffalo Cemetery Board and past master of Washington County Pomona Grange.

He was a graduate from Hopewell High School at age 16 and attended Washington & Jefferson College.

Mr. Hunter was an avid roller skater and ice skater.

On April 18, 1945, he married Mary Louise Taggart, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Lee and Kenneth Hunter, both of Washington; four daughters, Joyce Anderson of Washington, Donna Hunter of Boston, Mass., Carolyn Molnar of Avella and Arlene McNeel of Windber; and 12 grandchildren, Ronald, Mark, James, John, Jamie and Kimberly Hunter, Kelly Anderson, Josh and Matt Molnar, Stephanie Molnar and Ryan and Brandon McNeel.

UB

Frances Salansky Horne

Longtime resident
of Canonsburg

Frances A. Salansky Horne, 77, of Tamarac, Fla., died Wednesday, September 25, 2002, in Tamarac after a lengthy illness.

She was born June 22, 1925, in Canonsburg, a daughter of Charles and Edna Pugh Taylor.

Mrs. Horne was a lifelong resident of the Canonsburg area before moving to Coral Springs, Fla., with her family in 1997.

Surviving are a son, W. David Salansky of Coral Springs; a daughter, Darlene Ripple of Coral Springs; five stepsons, Philip William Horne of Nashville, Tenn., Robert Horne of Canton, Ohio, and John, Donald and the Rev. Thomas Horne, all of Bridgeport; a stepdaughter, Dorothy Virginia (Ginny) Knight of Clarksburg, W. Va.; nine grandchildren, Nichol D. Petrella, J. Christiane Salansky, Dana M. Ripple, J. Beth Salansky, H. Richelle Opitz, Karrie L. Ripple, W. Jared Salansky, Jillian R. Salansky and W. Brent Ripple; four great-grandchildren; 26 stepgrandchildren; 20 stepgreat-grandchildren; a sister, Patricia A. Chytil of Mather; and a brother, Charles Eugene Taylor of Aliquippa.

Deceased are her husband, the Rev. Philip W. Horne, who died in May 1997; her first husband, William Salansky, who died in September 1969; two brothers, Harold E. Taylor and Herbert M. Taylor; and a stepson, David Horne.

OS

Vernon Weigmann

Eldersville Navy veteran
of D-day invasion

Vernon "Bub" Weigmann, 77, of Eldersville, died at 10:05 a.m. Wednesday, October 2, 2002, in Weirton (W. Va.) Medical Center.

He was born April 15, 1925, a son of Van Nest and Roxanne Weigmann.

Mr. Weigmann was a member of Eldersville United Methodist Church and Richard Vaux Masonic Lodge 454.

He served in the U.S. Navy and was a member of the Naval forces who landed troops during the D-day invasion of Normandy. He was awarded the Liberte Medal by the French government for his contribution to the liberation of France.

In April 2002, he and 15 other classmates were awarded their high school diplomas for those who went to service before graduation.

Mr. Weigmann was employed at Lantz Dairy for 26 years and retired from Weirton Steel in 1988.

His wife of 54 years, Bertha Mechling Weigmann, survives.

Also surviving are a son, Richard of Burgettstown; two granddaughters, Kai-Leigh and Jordan Weigmann; and an aunt and uncle, Gaylord and Helen Martin of Eldersville.

A sister, Carmen Brown, is deceased.

Bethel Cemetery.

Rhonda S. White

Accounting assistant
enjoyed traveling



Rhonda Sue White, 46, of Canton Township, died at 3:30 a.m. Sunday, October 6, 2002, in her home after a lengthy illness.

She was born July 21, 1956, in Washington, a daughter of Lela L. Miller Davidson of Washington and the late Donald H. Davidson.

Mrs. White was a 1974 graduate of Washington High School and was a member of Jefferson Avenue United Methodist Church, Washington.

She was an accounting assistant for Frank Cargiene, CPA, in Canonsburg.

Mrs. White enjoyed traveling and running at the Cameron Wellness Center, Washington.

On October 18, 1975, she married John D. White, who survives.

Also surviving, in addition to her husband and mother, are two daughters, Christina Marie White of Bridgeville and Jamie Lynn White, at home; a sister, Diana L. Meeks of Washington; two brothers, Donald C. Davidson of Conway, S.C., and Ronnie W. Davidson of Washington; and several nieces and nephews.

UB

Pauline Marie Smith Former Pittsburgh registered nurse

Pauline Marie Smith, 64, of Coudersport, died Monday, September 30, 2002, at Charles Cole Memorial Hospital in Coudersport.

She was born February 1, 1938, in Carnegie, a daughter of the late Leon and Edna Cummings Plumeret.

Mrs. Smith was a graduate of Carnegie High School, attended nursing school, and in 1961 graduated as a registered nurse from South Side Hospital, Pittsburgh.

She was employed as a registered nurse in various Pittsburgh area hospitals, and in 1984 moved to Coudersport.

In 1968 she married Chester B. Smith, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Dr. Tracy Lee Smith of Columbus, Ohio; and several cousins, nieces and nephews.

RR

School graduate

Esther Pearl Huchko, 67, of McDonald, died Saturday, September 21, 2002.

She was born September 24, 1934, in South Fayette Township, a daughter of Charles Alfred and Florence Orris Conn.

In 1951, she married Michael (Mickey) Huchko, who died October 19, 1997.

Surviving are three sons, Charles M. Huchko of Bulger, Perry M. Huchko of McDonald and Donald R. Huchko of Burgettstown; a daughter, Debra Chytil of Bulger; a sister, Florence Bowland of Southview; nine grandchildren, Shad Chytil and Michael, Holly, Jennifer, Brian, Cassandra, Andrew, Louis and Abigale Huchko; and five great-grandchildren.

Deceased is a brother, Charles Conn. **RR**

Carol J. Holland

Cashier at Wal-Mart in South Strabane Twp.

Carol Juanita Holland, 69, of Burgettstown, died Saturday, September 21, 2002, in Washington Hospital.

She was born January 8, 1933, in Burgettstown, a daughter of Carl C. Sr. and Freda J. Call Holland.

Miss Holland was a 1950 graduate of Union High School and a member of Hillcrest Chapel, both of Burgettstown.

For the past 10 years, she was a cashier at Wal-Mart, South Strabane Township. Prior to that, she worked for G.C. Murphy Co. in Burgettstown for 38 years.

Surviving are two sisters, Helen Owings of Burgettstown and Donna Noah of Rockwall, Texas; two brothers, Ray and Glenn Holland; and four nieces and two nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, Carl Jr. and Earl D. Holland. **CP**

Raymond A. Martin

LTV Steel Corp. retiree

Raymond A. Martin, 91, of Bridgeville, formerly of Venice, died Thursday, October 3, 2002, in Country Meadows Nursing Home, Bridgeville.

He was born January 30, 1911, in Florence, a son of Richard W. and Rachel Rogers Martin.

Prior to retirement, Mr. Martin was employed by LTV Steel Corp.

He was a member of Venice Presbyterian Church, where he had served as an elder.

His wife, Thelma V. Ayres Martin, died April 13, 2001.

Surviving a sister, Marie Drutar of Washington; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, George and Wilbur Martin. **MP**

for Cooper Industries

Peter Cherenko, 76, of Cherry Valley, died Wednesday, October 2, 2002, in Washington Hospital.

He was born July 12, 1926, in Chambersville, a son of Nick and Antonia Chatkevich Cherenko.

Prior to retirement, Mr. Cherenko was employed by Cooper Industries in Canonsburg as an electrician.

He attended Central Assembly of God Church in Houston.

Mr. Cherenko was a veteran of World War II and served in the U.S. Army as a paratrooper with the 82nd Airborne.

On August 11, 1951, he married Genevieve Scruppi, who survives.

Also surviving are a brother, William Cherenko of Atlasburg; a sister, Minna Cherenko of Washington; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a son, Timothy M. Cherenko, who died April 16, 1992; two brothers, John and Mike Cherenko; and a sister, Mary Lomenzo. **MP**

Frances Valjean Grey

Member of Tucker United Methodist Church in Paris

Frances Valjean Gardner Grey, 91, of Paris, died Sunday, September 22, 2002, in Weirton (W. Va.) Geriatric Center.

She was born March 29, 1911, in Hanover Township, a daughter of R.P. and Beulah McCreight Gardner.

In January 1931, in Waynesburg, she married Cecil N. Grey, who died July 21, 1971.

Surviving are five daughters, Patty Holt, Barbara Libengood and Marjorie Knapp, all of Weirton, Donna Gates of Paris and Caroline Sue Brown of Cyclone; three sons, Donnie and Richard Grey, both of Paris, and John Grey of Hopedale, Ohio; a nephew; 17 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a sister, Betty Neely; and five grandchildren, Kimmy Jo Libengood, Brenda Lee Gates and Valerie, John Daniel and John Brian Grey. **CP**

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. **MP**

Julie D. Tauzel

Meadow Lands resident owned block company



Julia D. Tauzel, 91, of Meadow Lands, died at 11:45 a.m. Tuesday, October 15, 2002, in IHS Greenery, Canonsburg.

She was born January 31, 1911, in Meadow Lands, a daughter of Peter and Mary Kaskie.

Mrs. Tauzel was Catholic and a homemaker.

For many years, with her husband, she owned and operated Washington Concrete Block Co.

Mrs. Tauzel was a lifelong resident of the Meadow Lands area and loved to bake and grow flowers.

In 1932, she married Frank R. Tauzel, who died November 4, 1963.

Surviving are a son, Frank Kurt Tauzel of Arlington, Texas; a daughter, Gerry A. Impiccini of Canonsburg; two sisters, Edith Olshack of Canonsburg and Kathryn Brice of Meadow Lands; a brother, George Urbanic of Canonsburg; five grandchildren, Debbie Impiccini, Adam and Alexander Tauzel, Edward Lewis and Michelle Panasiuk; a great-granddaughter; and many nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a daughter, Patty Lewis; three brothers, John and Peter Kaskie and Joe Urbanic; nine sisters, Annie Kaskie, Helen Barnickle, Margaret "Tootsie" Iskey, Susan Zofchak, Mary Craig Perrine, Mary and Margaret Urbanic, Carmella Manning and Ann Renziak. **OS**

Midway Home

worked at post office

Mary S. Campbell, 93, of Midway, died Tuesday, October 15, 2002, in her home.

She was born January 27, 1909, in West Newton.

Her husband, Clifford Campbell, died in 1996.

Surviving are a daughter, Antoinette Kish of Midway; three sons, Thomas, Leonard "Bud" and Lawrence Campbell, all of Midway; nine grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; and a brother, Leon Falcon of West Virginia.

Deceased are three sisters and four brothers. **C**

Mary Jane Fullerton

Member of Midway United Methodist Church

Mary Jane Fullerton, 95, of Midway, died Wednesday, October 9, 2002, in Kade Nursing Home, Washington.

She was born December 11, 1906, a daughter of Henry and Anna Hallawell Jackson.

Mrs. Fullerton had been employed at Oakdale Boys Home and was chief probation officer for Washington County. She was a member of Midway United Methodist Church.

Her husband, Leonard Fullerton, died September 24, 1961.

Also deceased are a son, William Fullerton; a sister, Grace Vadergrift; and a brother, George Jackson.

Surviving are two sons, Wray Fullerton of McDonald and Wayne Fullerton of South Carolina; eight grandchildren, Lynn Shook, Skip Fullerton, Alan Fullerton, Debra Welsh, Raegan Whoolery, Chris Fullerton, Michele Rodriguez and Caroline Fullerton; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Ivy B. Griffith

Member of Eldersville United Methodist Church

Ivy B. Kinney Griffith, 65, of Eldersville, died Saturday, October 12, 2002, in Washington Hospital.

She was born April 14, 1937, in Burgettstown (Joffre), a daughter of the late Edward and Violet Mae Emler Kinney.

She attended Union High School, Burgettstown, and was a member of Eldersville United Methodist Church.

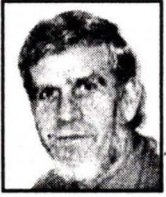
She was engaged to Robert L. Wise of Eldersville.

Surviving are a sister, Ida Mae Knisely of Paris; an uncle; an aunt; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, Elmer and Tom Kinney; and a sister, Clara Cox. **MP**

Richard E. Beatty

Allegheny Ludlum driver was in Army Reserves



Richard E. Beatty, 53, of Claysville, died at 8:10 p.m. Tuesday, October 8, 2002, in Donnell House, Washington.

He was born May 5, 1949, in Washington, a son of Wilma P. Miller Beatty of Prosperity and the late Clyde Elmer Beatty, who died March 8, 2002.

Mr. Beatty lived in the West Alexander and Prosperity areas all his life prior to moving to the Claysville area in 1999.

He was a member of Concord Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Beatty was a 1968 graduate of McGuffey High School.

He was employed in the transportation department of the Allegheny Ludlum (Jessop Steel) plant in Washington for the past 34 years as a truck driver and equipment operator.

Mr. Beatty was a member of the U.S. Army Reserves, serving as a staff sergeant in the 630th Transportation Company when called to active duty during Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm, and served in Saudi Arabia from March through September 1991.

On July 19, 2002, he married Hazel L. Shriver Burkhart, who survives.

Surviving, in addition to his mother and wife, are two daughters, Jennifer M. Hancher and Erin L. Sprowls, both of West Alexander; a stepson, Scott L. Burkhart of Claysville; a brother, James C. Beatty of Prosperity; a sister, Dorothy Simpson of Washington; and three grandchildren, Nicholas and Samantha Hancher and Cody Sprowls.

Deceased are his maternal grandparents, Homer and Violet Miller; and paternal grandparents, Charles and Sadie Beatty. **CL**

Velare Campbell Bloyd

U.S. Navy Wave during World War II

Velare Campbell Bloyd, 79, of McDonald, North Fayette Township, died Friday, October 4, 2002.

She was born August 19, 1923, a daughter of Richard G. and Emma Palmer Campbell.

Mrs. Bloyd was a member of Noblestown United Methodist Church.

She served in the U.S. Navy's Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service (WAVES) during World War II.

Her husband, J.E. Bloyd, is deceased.

Surviving are a sister, Virginia Souffrant of McDonald; a brother, Vernon Campbell of Midway; and several nieces and nephews. **C**

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 and Kappa Sigma Fraternity.

Mr. Allison was a graduate of Hickory High School and attended Bucknell University.

He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II as a first 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. **MP**

Deceased are a brother, W.K. Allison Jr.; and a sister, Martha Jane Little.

Raymond Pruss

36-year Port Authority driver loved old automobiles

Raymond Pruss, 73, of Cecil, died Thursday, October 10, 2002, in St. Clair Hospital, Mt. Lebanon.

He was born August 19, 1929, a son of Joseph and Anna Pilarski Pruss.

Mr. Pruss was a 36-year employee of Pittsburgh Port Authority, where he worked as a bus driver on the old BG line before PAT took it over.

He received his 50-year Amalgamated Transit Union gold card, and he loved old automobiles.

Mr. Pruss was a member of Franklin St. John's Trinity Lodge 221, Crafton Royal Arch Chapter 312, Chartiers Commandery 78 (Knights Templar), Washington Council 1 and the CINOSAM Club. He was also a member of the Moose and Reliable Fraternal Association (Owls).

On December 29, 1972, he married Judith Turiczek, who survives and with whom he celebrated 29 years of marriage.

Also surviving are a daughter, Joanne Kramer of Upper St. Clair; two grandchildren, Luke and Brooke; two sisters, Martha Donlan of Bridgeville and Jane Brown of Bethel Park.

Deceased are five brothers, John, Walter, Edward, Leonard and Joseph Pruss; and two sisters, Agnes Pruss and Tess Ross. **RR**

Josephine Bedner

Former activity aide at Mayview Hospital

Josephine Patnesky Delval Bedner, 83, of Carnegie, formerly of Cuddy and Southview, died Friday, October 11, 2002, in Manor Care, Green Tree.

She was born March 15, 1919, in Yukon, a daughter of Joseph Sr. and Mary Filip Patnesky.

She was a 1938 graduate of Hickory High School.

Prior to her retirement, she was employed at Mayview State Hospital as an activity aide.

Surviving are a daughter, Sandi Knight of Sacramento, Calif.; two sons, Fred Delval of Carnegie and Joseph Delval of Surfside Beach, S.C.; two sisters, Frances "Tootie" Dolence of Eighty Four and Mary Ann Ferlic of South Park; three brothers, Andy Patnesky of Texas, James Patnesky of McMurray and Phil Patnesky of Canonsburg; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two sisters, Betty Orangio and Irene Patnesky; and three brothers, John, Edward and Joseph Jr. Patnesky.

At the request of the deceased, there will be no public visitation. The family suggests memorial donations be made to Make-a-Wish Foundation or Manor Care of Green Tree Activities Fund. Arrangements are under the direction of Eugene C. Coleman Funeral Home, Cecil.

Jack B. Tarolli

Owner of C&J Metals in Hickory

Jack B. Tarolli, 64, of McMurray, died Thursday, October 9, 2002, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh.

He was born August 7, 1938, in Canonsburg, a son of Jane Brice Tarolli of Pittsburgh and the late Silvio Tarolli.

Mr. Tarolli was the owner of C&J Metals in Hickory and a member of Central Assembly of God Church in Houston.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are his wife, Cheryl Ann Tarolli; three sons, Richard Tarolli of Washington, Greg Tarolli of Hickory and Jason Tarolli of Avella; and four grandchildren, Richard T. II, Brayden Elizabeth, Madison L. and Derek K. Tarolli.

There will be no visitation. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, October 14, in Central Assembly of God Church, Houston, with Pastor Ralph Volpe officiating. Interment will be in Oak Spring Cemetery, Canonsburg. Arrangements are under the direction of Walter R. Kasper Funeral Home, Ambridge. **OS**

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 at 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.

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. **MP**

Eric D. Bails

Canon-McMillan High School graduate

Eric Donald Bails, 29, of Canonsburg, died Friday, October 18, 2002, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, after a brief illness.

He was born December 22, 1972, in Washington, a son of Donald and Pearl McClintock Bails of Eighty Four.

Mr. Bails was a lifelong Canonsburg resident and a member of Chartiers Hill United Presbyterian Church.

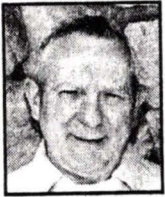
He was a 1990 graduate of Canon-McMillan High School and was employed in sales at Lowe's, Robinson Township.

On October 5, 1996, he married Dorinda A. Wolford, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Melissa Jayne Bails, at home; a brother, Dan Bails of Eighty Four; and a sister, Heidi Bails of Canonsburg. **HC**

Thomas R. Teagarden

Claysville Youth Wrestling
co-founder



Thomas R. "Tuck" Teagarden, 66, of Claysville, died at 3 p.m. Wednesday, October 23, 2002, in Allegheny

General Hospital, Pittsburgh, after suffering lung failure following open-heart surgery.

He was born February 21, 1936, in Claysville, a son of the late W.N. (Jerry) and Thelma Turis Robinson Teagarden.

He was a former employee of Hazel-Atlas Glass in Washington and was employed for 25 years in the maintenance department of Jessop Steel (Allegheny Ludlum) as a rigger before retiring in November 1984 due to ill health.

Mr. Teagarden enjoyed hunting and gardening as long as his health permitted.

On April 25, 1953, he married Patty Sue Riggs, who died May 31, 2002.

Surviving are four sons, Thomas E. "Tucker" Teagarden of Washington, Douglas R. Teagarden of West Alexander, Chad Teagarden of West Finley and Charles N. Teagarden of Sandusky, Ohio; two daughters, Teryl (Terry) Clutter of West Finley and Robin Smith of Claysville; two brothers, Willard L. "Wimp" Teagarden of Dormont and Jerry N. "Jerb" Teagarden of Claysville; a sister, Turis (Jan) Walker of Wheeling, W. Va.; nine grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

A sister, Eva Marie "Ditty" Teagarden, is deceased. **CL**

Betty J. Dami

Owned Springdale Kennels
in Washington

Betty J. Dami, 59, of Washington, died at 6:22 a.m. Thursday, October 31, 2002, in her home.

She was born December 8, 1942, in Bergholtz, Ohio, a daughter of John McClosky of Washington and the late Ariene Saltzman McClosky.

Mrs. Dami was a 1960 graduate of Trinity High School.

On June 18, 1960, she married Rudy Dami, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Bradley and Gregory Dami, both of Washington; a daughter, Dana L. Dami of Bethany, W. Va.; her stepmother, Agnes Predjina McClosky of Washington; three sisters, Delores Richter of Washington, Sheryl Morgan of Cecil and Judy Urbanus of Canonsburg; six grandchildren, Kevin Woodhouse Jr., Ashley Dami, Sarah and Emily Wilson, Nicholas and Dana E. Dami; and many nieces and nephews.

Deceased is a son, Alan Dami. **WF**

Roy Brady

Past president of IBEW
Local of Steubenville

Roy Brady, 88, of Burgettstown, died Friday, October 18, 2002, in Weirton Medical Center, Weirton, W. Va. He was born November 13, 1913, in Junior, W. Va., a son of Glen Harrison and Grace Campbell Brady.

Mr. Brady was a member of Paris Presbyterian Church.

In 1974, he retired as an electrician from International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 246 in Steubenville, Ohio, where he was a 55-year member and a past president. He initiated the apprentice program for the local.

Mr. Brady was a member of Richard Vaux Lodge 454 F&AM of Burgettstown, Scottish Rite, Valley of Pittsburgh, Paris Sportsmen's Club and Paris Civic Club.

His wife, Dorothy M. (Dot) Pauley Brady, died September 1, 1994.

Surviving are two daughters, Constance Pottersnyk of Follansbee, W. Va., and Laurel Brady of Boston, Mass.; a son, Glen Brady of Empire, Ohio; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

A brother and three sisters are deceased. **CP**

Walter Yukevich

J&L retiree
was WWII veteran

Walter Yukevich, 81, of Burgettstown, died Sunday, October 20, 2002, in Washington County Health Center.

He was born February 21, 1921, in Pittsburgh.

During World War II, Mr. Yukevich served in the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Alabama.

He retired from J&L Steel in Ambridge.

Deceased are his wife, Wanda Kowalenski Yukevich, who died January 2, 1985; and a son, Frank Yukevich, who died June 30, 1997.

Surviving are several nieces, nephews and cousins. **CP**

Edward Frank Rich

Employed by Asbury
Heights, Mt. Lebanon

Edward Frank Rich, 65, of Bridgeville, died Tuesday, December 3, 2002,

He was born April 18, 1937, in McDonald, a son of the late Edward William and Emily Goffart Rich.

Surviving are four sisters, Emily Marian Stermel of South Fayette Township, Susan J. Malesky of Sturgeon, Linda K. Gibeck of Maryland and Judy Hlavay of Temecula, Calif. **RR**

Theresa Phillips

Member of Muse
Presbyterian Church

Theresa Phillips, 96, of Muse, died at 8:24 a.m. Sunday, October 20, 2002, in the home of her daughter in Kent, Ohio.

She was born August 4, 1906, in Forward Township, Allegheny County, a daughter of Antonio and Virginia Ravoira Arcuri.

Mrs. Phillips was a member of Muse Presbyterian Church.

She was a psychiatric aide at Mayview State Hospital in Bridgeville until her retirement.

Mrs. Phillips was a member of Ladies Auxiliary of Cecil Township Volunteer Fire Department 2 in Muse.

In November of 1935, she married Richard Phillips, who died May 28, 1979.

Surviving are a son, William A. Phillips of Tionesta; a daughter, Donna L. DiBiase of Kent; a sister, Margaret Gray of Ayre, Mass.; 10 grandchildren, Douglas, William and Brian Phillips, Rose Sanders, Michelle Young, Samantha Wolfe, Christi Summerville and Richard A., Joseph A. and Bruce A. DiBiase; 17 great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Deceased are three brothers, John, Anthony and Albert Arcuri, and two who died in infancy; six sisters, Mary Fogarelli, Elizabeth Moody, Ann Udodow, Lenora (Jackie) Hartman, Alberta (Betty) Neidermeyer, Jerry Tatano, and two who died in infancy; and a great-granddaughter. **OS**

Winifred F. Rommes

Member of St. Ann Roman
Catholic Church, Bulger

Winifred (Winnie) F. Daley Rommes, 62, of Bulger, died Thursday, November 7, 2002, in Montefiore Hospital, Pittsburgh.

She was born May 10, 1940, in Washington, a daughter of the late Hugh F. and Roselene Rometti Daley.

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

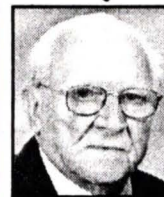
On July 24, 1958, she married Andrew H. Rommes, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Amy Smith, and a son, John Rommes, both of Bulger; five grandchildren, Elizabeth and Luke Smith and Chelsea, Chloe and Tyler Rommes; and a brother, Dennis Daley of Virginia.

Deceased are three children, triplets, Brian, Becky and Betsy, who died in August 1968. **RR**

Clarence Weaver

McGraw-Edison
tool and die operator



Clarence McCoy Weaver, 76, of Washington, died Wednesday, October 23, 2002, in Washington Hospital following a brief illness.

He was born July 25, 1926, in Washington, a son of LeRoy Hopkins and Ida Ellen McCoy Weaver.

Mr. Weaver was a 1944 graduate of Trinity High School.

He was a 60-year member of Laboratory Presbyterian Church, where he served as an elder, deacon, trustee and member of the men's chorus.

Mr. Weaver was a former scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 32.

Until retiring in 1982, he was a tool and die operator at McGraw-Edison in Canonsburg.

Mr. Weaver was a veteran of World War II, having served in the U.S. Army, where he received the European African Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, Good Conduct Medal, Army Occupation Medal and World War II Victory Medal.

On June 6, 1947, he married Betty Jane Parry, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, the Rev. Dr. William C. Weaver of Linden, N.J.; a daughter, Colleen Dille of Prosperity; four grandchildren, Tara Lea and Tammy Lynn Dille, Janelle Lynn and Patrick James Weaver; and two great-grandchildren.

Deceased is a sister who died in infancy. **W**

Lora B. Patterson

Attended Lower Buffalo
Presbyterian Church

Lora Belle Patterson, 97, of Wellsburg, W. Va., formerly of Avella, died at 6:30 a.m. Saturday, November 2, 2002, in Valley Haven Geriatric Center, Beech Bottom, W. Va.

She was born April 28, 1905, in Malden, Mo., a daughter of William Campbell and Bada Adeline Brewer Hill.

Mrs. Patterson attended Lower Buffalo Presbyterian Church, Independence, and Assembly of God, Wellsburg.

On June 19, 1935, she married William Lewis Patterson, who died November 26, 1983.

Surviving are two daughters, Betty Lucas of West Middletown and Jean DePetro of Wellsburg; a son, Almon Harlin of Westland, Mich.; 17 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a daughter, Linda Lou Coen; a son, William George Harlin; a sister, Lessie Elizabeth Hall; and two brothers, Ernest and William H. Hill. **I**

Lloyd R. Amos

West Alexander man owned excavating company

Lloyd R. Amos, 66, of West Alexander, formerly of Winfield W. Va., died Wednesday, November 6, 2002, in Wheeling Hospital, Wheeling, W. Va., following a lengthy illness.

He was born June 27, 1936, in Donegal Township, a son of Harry and Olive Toland Amos.

Mr. Amos was a member of West Alexander United Methodist Church.

He was a 1954 graduate of West Alexander High School, and from 1954 to 1962, served in the U.S. Army as a private first class.

Mr. Amos was employed in construction and formerly owned and operated Amos Excavating and Mine Construction.

On March 30, 1957, in West Alexander United Methodist Church, he married Mary Alice Pethel, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, L.R. (Teri) Amos of Claysville; a daughter, Billie Sue Amos of Martins Ferry, Ohio; and a grandson, Austin Michael Amos.

Mr. Amos was the last of his immediate family.

Deceased are four brothers, Harold, Richard, Robert and Ronald Amos; and a sister, Louise Milliken.

WA

Arthur L. Seaman

1950 Trinity graduate was building contractor



Arthur L. Seaman, 70, of Washington, died at 8:45 a.m. Tuesday, October 29, 2002, in Washington Hospital. He had

been in failing health for the past five years.

He was born October 7, 1932, in Washington, a son of Harry Nelson and Freda Mae Odbert Seaman.

Mr. Seaman was a 1950 graduate of Trinity High School.

He was Presbyterian and was a self-employed building contractor.

Mr. Seaman was a member of McKeever Study in West Middletown.

Surviving are five sons, Jeffrey Seaman of Dixie, W. Va., Douglas, Charles and James Seaman of Washington and Robin Seaman of Nashville, Tenn.; a daughter, Christine Seaman Hickle of Uniontown; a sister, Patricia Clutter of Texas; 14 grandchildren; and his former wife, Martha McDaid Seaman of Washington.

Deceased are a son, Kenneth Seaman; a daughter, Cheryl Ann Morris; and two brothers, John A. and Harry N. Seaman Jr.

CL

Joseph I. Powers

Founder of Powers Auto Crushing Inc.

Joseph I. Powers, 66, of Avella, died at 4:15 p.m. Tuesday, November 5, 2002, in Donnell House, Washington.

He was born August 22, 1936, in Avella, a son of Michael and Laura Butlar Powers.

Mr. Powers was a member of Avella Presbyterian Church, where he was a former elder, Centennial Lodge 544 F&AM and Avella Volunteer Fire Department.

He was a NASCAR fan and a former stock car owner and driver.

Mr. Powers attended Avella area schools.

He was the founder of Powers Auto Crushing Inc.

On February 19, 1956, he married Dolores Martin Powers, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Joseph, Gary and James Powers, all of Avella; and two daughters, Patty Cutlip and Linda Halmi; both of Avella; four grandchildren, Alix Powers, Michael Cutlip, Zachary and Tyler Halmi; five step-grandchildren; a great-grandson; four brothers, Robert, Michael and Edward Powers, all of Avella, and David Powers of Chester, W. Va.; and a sister, Nellie Thomas of Slovan.

Deceased are a brother, Hobart (Donald) Powers and two infant sisters.

WP

Wanda Kasperek

Member of West Alexander Presbyterian Church



Wanda (Connie) Kasperek, 78, of Claysville, died Friday, October 25, 2002, in Humbert Lane Health Care

Center, Washington.

She was born June 19, 1924, in Parsons, W. Va., a daughter of Charles and Ella Channel Stemple.

Mrs. Kasperek was a member of West Alexander Presbyterian Church.

She was a 1942 graduate of Parsons High School and was employed for the past 15 years as a bookkeeper for S. White's Sons Monuments, Claysville.

Surviving are her husband, Ray Kasperek; a daughter, Sue Ellen DePaulis of Bellaire, Ohio; a stepson, Jan A. Kasperek of Waterford, Mich.; and three nephews.

Deceased are two sisters, Margaret Kesner and Edith Stemple; and four brothers, Boyd, Howard, Virgil and Earl Stemple.

CL

A. Clark Pollock Jr.

Operated upholstery business

A. Clark Pollock Jr., 85, of Houston, formerly of Thomas, died Wednesday, October 30, 2002, in his home.

He was born July 10, 1917, in Canonsburg, a son of Adis Clark and Leah Coleman Pollock.

Mr. Pollock was a graduate of Canonsburg High School and served in the U.S. Army Air Forces in World War II while stationed in England.

He owned and operated Pollock Upholstery and later was involved in the antique furniture business.

Mr. Pollock was a member of Canonsburg United Presbyterian Church, where he served as elder, deacon and usher.

On November 24, 1945, he married Velma Pease, who died July 27, 1987.

Surviving are two daughters, Nancy Koletar, with whom he made his home, and Mary Alice Pollock of Ivory Coast, Africa; four grandchildren, Amy Latham, Cynthia Masters and Andre and Julia Yao; a great-grandson; three brothers, Ted Pollock of Pittsford, N.Y., James Pollock of Oklahoma and Willard Pollock of Butler; and three sisters, Jean Thompson of Knox, Dorothy Bloom of Butler and Pat Forbis of Las Vegas, Nev.

Deceased are two sisters, Maye Kennard and Martha Pollock; and two brothers, Jack and Harry Pollock.

FL

Bernice R. Miller

Owned Sunny Hills Real Estate

Bernice R. Miller, 90, formerly of The Circle, Washington, died at 10:20 a.m. Wednesday, October 30, 2002, in Humbert Lane Personal Care Home, Washington.

She was born April 9, 1912, in Avella, a daughter of Robert D. and Lucy Carl Craig.

Mrs. Miller was a member of First United Presbyterian Church in West Middletown.

She was a 1930 graduate of Trinity High School and attended Indiana College.

Mrs. Miller and her husband were owners of Sunny Hills Real Estate in Washington. She later worked for Bassettown Realty in McMurray and DeLong Realty in Washington, retiring in 1986.

On November 29, 1935, she married Harold C. Miller, who died February 13, 1993.

Surviving are a son, J. Robert Miller of Brownsville; a daughter, Barbara Heinz of Pittsburgh; three grandchildren, Jarrett Miller and Joseph and Stephen Sestrick; and a stepgreat-granddaughter.

A brother, Carl Craig, is deceased.

W

Joseph McWreath Sr.

Farmer, 50-year member of Lodge 297 F&AM

Joseph E. McWreath Sr., 79, formerly of McDonald, died Sunday, October 27, 2002, in ManorCare, McMurray.

He was born June 4, 1923, in McDonald, a son of Guy A. Sr. and Mary Ethel Elliott McWreath.

Mr. McWreath was a 1941 graduate of McDonald High School and attended Stanton Military Academy.

He was a dairy farmer for more than 30 years and worked at Quicksilver Golf Course, where he retired in 1989.

He was married to Mary Louise Stevenson, who died November 27, 1985.

On November 2, 1990, he married Dorothy J. Alrutz, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, J. Elliott McWreath Jr. of McDonald; a daughter, Cynthia Louise McWreath of Slovan; two brothers, Guy A. McWreath Jr. of Midway and Wilson E. McWreath Sr. of McDonald; two sisters, Mary L. Uffelman of Coraopolis, Ohio; and two grandchildren, Connor and Emily Daniels.

Deceased are a son, Guy A. McWreath III; and a daughter, Beth Ann Daniels.

RR

Helen D'Angelo Robinson

Former owner of Helen and Gil's Tavern

Helen E. D'Angelo Robinson, 87, formerly of Bavington, died Friday, November 1, 2002.

She was born January 21, 1915, in Bridgeville, a daughter of Anthony and Rose Dinucci Regine.

Mrs. Robinson was a 1933 graduate of Bridgeville High School. She was former owner of Helen and Gil's Tavern

In 1937, she married Gil D'Angelo, who died in 1955.

In 1958, she married Charles J. Robinson, who died in 1981.

Surviving are a son, Gil (Tim) D'Angelo of Oakdale; two daughters, Gail Parkinson of McDonald and Elaine D'Angelo of New York; two sisters, Loretta Bouchy of Scottsdale, Ariz., and Virginia Bourg of Bridgeville; eight grandchildren, T.W., David, Shawn, Troy Parkinson, Tim, Leighann, Michael and Dominique D'Angelo; and a great-grandchild.

Deceased are a son, James D'Angelo; and a sister, Elizabeth Caldart.

At the request of the deceased, services were private and under the direction of Nation Funeral Home, McDonald. Memorials are suggested to the charity of the donor's choice.

Margaret Campbell

Resident of McDonald

Margaret Campbell, 67, of McDonald, died Wednesday, October 30, 2002, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born June 29, 1935, in Bulger, a daughter of Julius and Anna Loris Ulrich.

Surviving are two daughters, Linda Kurnick and Bobbi Jo Brunot, both of McDonald; three granddaughters, Sarah, Rachel and Rebekah Kurnick; two sisters, Katherine Fodor of McKees Rocks and Anna Jessloski of Carnegie; and two brothers, Carl Ulrich of Aliquippa and John Ulrich of McKees Rocks.

Deceased are her husband, John William Campbell; a son, John William Campbell III; and four brothers, Peter, Julius, Michael and Nicholas Ulrich.

Arrangements made by Thomas and Little Funeral Service Inc., McDonald. RR

Helen Alderson

Helen Alderson, 76, of Titusville, Fla., formerly of Houston and Green Tree, died Saturday, November 2, 2002, in her home.

She was born in Canonsburg, a daughter of Frank and Helen Lapensky.

Her husband, Benjamin Alderson, died June 5, 1998.

Surviving are a son, Ben Alderson III of Marietta, Ga.; two daughters, Betty Blazey of Kansas City, Mo., and Kate Stenger of Canton, Ga.; a brother, Harry Lapensky of Titusville; and three grandchildren, Larry Stenger, Alyssa Alderson and Joshua Alderson.

Services were held Tuesday, November 5, in Florida. Private interment will be held in Oak Spring Cemetery, Canonsburg. Local arrangements are being handled by McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., Houston. OS

Ronald E. Brown Sr.

Worked for 24 years in Burgettstown district

Ronald E. Brown Sr., 54, of Burgettstown, died Wednesday, November 6, 2002, in Weirton (W.Va.) Medical Center.

He was born October 5, 1948, in Burgettstown, a son of the late Henry Tomblin and Sara Ann Brown.

Mr. Brown was employed for 24 years as a custodian in Burgettstown Area School District and attended New Hope Church in Burgettstown.

On August 16, 1974, he married Anna Swiridow, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Paula Swiridow of Burgettstown and Melissa Brown of Slovan; a son, Ronald E. Brown Jr. of Washington; six grandchildren; three brothers, Robert, Ralph and Warren Brown, all of Burgettstown; and a sister, Cynthia Brooks of Uniontown.

Deceased are two brothers, Donald and James Brown. F

Joanne B. Jarosz

Washington Co. employee for 23 years

Joanne B. Jarosz, 68, of Washington, died Wednesday, November 6, 2002, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, after a lengthy illness.

She was born September 18, 1934, in Washington, a daughter of Edgar F. and Bridget Raibe Lauther.

Mrs. Jarosz was a clerk typist for 23 years in the Washington County prothonotary's office and later in the jury commissioner's office.

She was a member of Sacred Heart Church in Claysville.

Mrs. Jarosz was a 1952 graduate of Claysville High School and attended Waynesburg College.

She was a member and past president of James R. Hunt American Legion Post 639 Ladies Auxiliary.

On September 17, 1955, she married John W. Jarosz, who survives.

Also surviving a son, David Jarosz of Washington; a daughter, Kathleen Moeller of McCandless Township; three brothers, Edgar K. "Lefty" Lauther of Washington, Carl Lauther of Claysville and William Lauther of Gibsonton, Fla.; two sisters, Patricia Brown of Claysville and Judith Stewart of Erie; and a grandson, Brian Moeller; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a daughter, Rebecca Joanne Jarosz, who died in infancy; and a sister, Geraldine Post. CL

Clifford Ralph Mull

Worked in railroad construction

Clifford Ralph Mull, 58, of Washington, died at 2:40 p.m. Sunday, October 27, 2002, in Donnell House, Washington, following a lengthy illness.

He was born October 23, 1944, in Hopewell Township, Washington County, a son of the late Ralph R. and Sadie R. McMillen Mull.

Mr. Mull worked for many years in railroad construction.

He was Presbyterian.

Surviving are three sons, Ronald Mull of Coraopolis, Robert Mull of Beaver and Samuel Mull of Aliquippa; two sisters, Mary Jane Ewing of Washington and Dorothy Woodburn of Avella; 14 grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, James A. and Charles Mull; and two sisters, Shirley Meeks and Betty Burke.

A memorial service will be held at a time to be announced.

Shirley Ann Kemp

Attended First Baptist Church of Westland

Shirley Ann Kemp, 58, of Westland, died Sunday, October 27, 2002, in Washington Hospital.

She was born July 5, 1944, in Nashville, Tenn., a daughter of Charles and Irene Harris Caldwell.

Surviving are her husband, Donald Kemp; a son, Brian Keith Kemp of Washington; a daughter, Holly Kemp of Florida; a brother, James Caldwell of Westland; six sisters, Darlene Washington of Harrisburg, Gwendolyn Burgess and Beverly Washington, both of Houston, Sandy Beckett and Lorraine Brown, both of Florida, and Edna Glover; and several nieces and nephews. FL

Donald Wayne Smith

Former YMCA youth director

Donald Wayne Smith, 74, of Janesville, Wis., died Sunday morning, November 10, 2002, at his home, following a two-year battle with malignant melanoma.

He was born February 22, 1928, in Johnstown, a son of C. Arnold and Helen Wallace Smith.

Mr. Smith graduated from Washington High School in 1947, attended the School of Designing Arts in Pittsburgh, Penn State University, California University of Pennsylvania and University of Wisconsin-Rock County in Janesville.

He served in the U.S. Navy for four years.

Mr. Smith was former youth director of Washington YMCA and Camp Buffalo. After moving to Janesville, he was director of Tri-County YMCA and Camp Rotamer. At the time of his death, he operated Heritage Restorations Furniture Refinishing.

On December 10, 1953, in Hickory, he married Marjorie White, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Barbara Morris of Palmdale, Calif., and Beckie Endrizzi of Janesville; a son, Jay Smith of Springfield, Va.; nine grandchildren, Rachel, Nathaniel and Benjamin Morris, Maggie, Sarah and John Smith, Nicolas and Brandon Krause and Jake Endrizzi; two brothers, Wallace A. Smith of New York and Roy D. Smith of Ohio; and many nieces and nephews. MP

Etta Ileen Tantillo

Member of Trinity UP Church, McDonald

Etta Ileen Eckles Tantillo, 71, of McDonald, died Monday, November 4, 2002.

She was born September 4, 1931, in McDonald, a daughter of David DeWalt and Lillian Johnston Eckles.

Her husband, Frank Tantillo Jr., is deceased.

Surviving are a brother, David Eckles Jr. of Arizona; and a sister, Eliza Peterson of Indianapolis, Ind.

Deceased are two brothers, Henry (Mike) Eckles and Duncan J. Eckles; and three sisters, Margaret Simpson, Agnes Gonze and Roberta Revay.

At the request of the deceased, there will be no services. Arrangements are being handled by Nation Funeral Home Inc., McDonald.

John W. McCartney

Formerly of Washington



John Wayne McCartney, 43, of Salt Lake City, Utah, formerly of Washington, died unexpectedly Wednesday, October 9, 2002, in his home.

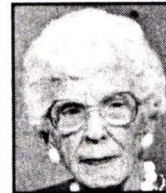
He was born August 6, 1960, in Washington, a son of Paul McCartney of Kansas and the late Betty Donley McCartney.

Surviving are a brother, Timmy McCartney of Vancouver, Wash., and a sister, Debbie McCartney of Washington.

A brother, Paul McCartney Jr., is deceased. NB

Esther M. McConnell

Member of Upper Ten Mile Presbyterian Church



Esther M. McConnell, 88, of Claysville, died Friday, November 1, 2002, in Presbyterian Medical Center, Washington.

She was born April 12, 1914, in Gladden, a daughter of George and Mary Ann Dixon Weaver.

Mrs. McConnell was a member of Upper Ten Mile Presbyterian Church and its Women's Missionary Group, and taught Sunday school for 45 years.

On March 31, 1934, in Wellsburg, W.Va., she married Roy H. McConnell, who died December 30, 1976.

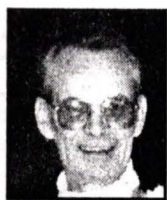
Surviving are a daughter, Linda McConnell of Claysville; a sister, Hazel Fleming of Akron, Ohio; five grandchildren, Amy Salmento and Kristi, Jill, Barry and Jeffrey McConnell; five great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two sons, Melvin and Larry McConnell; and three brothers, Malwyn, William and Robert Weaver.

Prosperity Cemetery.

Howard Ray Cummins

Lone Pine Exxon employee



Howard Ray Cummins, 60, of Washington, died at 12:40 a.m. Monday, November 4, 2002, in his home, following a brief illness.

He was born April 11, 1942, in Washington, a son of the late Ray Jackson and Gwendola Davis Cummins.

Mr. Cummins had been employed by Lone Pine Exxon.

On September 18, 1971, he married Elizabeth Louise (Betty) Lazear, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Howard Ray Cummins Jr. of Washington and Bryon Anthony Cummins at home; a brother, Merle C. Cummins of Waynesburg; and two grandchildren, Adrienne Marie Cummins and Andrew Todd Cummins.

Deceased is a sister, Wilda Davis.

North Ten Mile Baptist CEM.

George M. Armstrong

Member of Operating Engineers of Monroeville

George M. Armstrong, 62, of Sturgeon, died Friday, November 15, 2002, in his residence.

He was born July 7, 1940, in Gilmore, a son of Helen Armstrong Harshey of Langeloth and the late William Armstrong.

Mr. Armstrong was a member of Local 66 Operating Engineers of Monroeville.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are his wife, Valeria Weaver Armstrong; three sons, George Martin Armstrong of Coraopolis, and Terry Lee and John Melvin Armstrong, both at home; three sisters, Shirley Raymond of Strabane, and Dolores and Patricia Harvey, both of Langeloth; four grandchildren, Trever and Tanner Armstrong and Anthony and Brian Talerico; and a great-grandson.

Deceased are a child who died in infancy and a brother, Delbert Armstrong. **MP**

Clyde W. Reese Sr.

37-year employee of McGuffey School District

Clyde W. Reese Sr., 67, of Claysville, died unexpectedly at 10:30 a.m. Friday, November 15, 2002, in his home.

He was born September 30, 1935, in West Finley, a son of Ross Edward and Sylvia Leotha Sprowls Reese.

Mr. Reese was a 1953 graduate of West Alexander High School.

He was employed by McGuffey School District for 37 years, prior to retiring in 1997 as maintenance supervisor.

Mr. Reese enjoyed the outdoors, including bird-watching and hunting.

On September 30, 1964, he married Jane Moore, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Clyde W. (Bill) Reese Jr. of West Finley; a daughter, Rebecca Reese Waugh of Claysville; two brothers, Wayne E. and Donald E. Reese, both of West Finley; and a sister, Faye Foflygen of West Finley.

A son, Ross (Eddie) Reese, is deceased. **CL**

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. **MP**

Irene Mudrak

Retired Canon-McMillan schoolteacher

Irene Mudrak, 80, of Canonsburg, died Sunday, November 10, 2002, in McMurray Hills Manor, McMurray.

She was born May 2, 1922, in Canonsburg, a daughter of Paul and Suzana Tucek Mudrak.

Miss Mudrak was a graduate of Grove City College and earned a master's degree in education from the University of Pittsburgh in 1953.

She retired as a teacher in Canon-McMillan School District and was the last of her immediate family. **OS**

CORRECTION

IN THE OBITUARY of George M. Armstrong, published Saturday, omitted was the name of a surviving brother, William Armstrong of Gilmore.

Wanda Lee Janovich

Member of First Baptist Church, Claysville

Wanda Lee Richmond Janovich, 77, of Washington, died Friday, November 15, 2002, in Country Meadows Nursing Home, Bridgeville.

She was born July 21, 1925, in Moundsville, W.Va., a daughter of Fritz and Zerval Blake Richmond.

Mrs. Janovich was a member of First Baptist Church, Claysville.

She was employed as a salesclerk at the former Kmart store in Washington for many years.

Mrs. Janovich enjoyed family gatherings.

On May 21, 1945, in Eighty Four, she married Eli "Red" Janovich, who died December 13, 1995.

Surviving are two sons, David Janovich of Claysville and Gary Janovich of Washington; three daughters, Janice Dempster of Woodbridge, Va., Linda Seibert of Prosperity and Debbie Bird of Washington; two brothers, Gene Richmond of Prosperity and Dean Richmond of Washington; 15 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

A sister, Lillian Richmond, is deceased. **CL**

David Roger Antion

Former McGuffey director was quality auditor



David Roger Antion, 58, a lifelong resident of Buffalo Township, died Saturday, November 23, 2002, in his home,

following a brief illness.

Mr. Antion was born October 30, 1944, in Pittsburgh, a son of Edna Ruth Rodgers Antion of Claysville and the late Sam Antion Sr.

After graduating with honors from McGuffey High School in 1962, he attained a bachelor's degree in chemistry from Washington & Jefferson College

Mr. Antion worked for Monsanto Research Laboratories in nuclear materials; several manufacturing companies, specializing in thermoplastics compounding; and Chrysler Corp. as a supplier quality auditor.

On June 5, 1965, he married Lois Hunter, who survives.

Also surviving are three children, Jeffery David Antion of Bellefonte, Sherry Antion-Mohr of Columbus, Ohio, and Marci Diana Antion of Houston, Texas; two grandsons, Alexander Scott and Ryan David Antion; two brothers, Robert Antion of Morgantown, W.Va., and Thomas Antion of Landover, Md.; and three half brothers, Sam Antion Jr. of Seattle, Wash., Daniel Antion of Cayce, S.C., and Frank Antion of New Jersey.

Robert W. Brabson

Fort Cherry grad formerly worked at W&J College

Robert William Brabson, 46, of Washington, formerly of Midway, died unexpectedly at 7:41 a.m. Saturday, November 30, 2002, in his home.

He was born August 31, 1956, in Pittsburgh, a son of the late Ross O. and Betty Logan Brabson.

Mr. Brabson was a 1975 graduate of Fort Cherry High School and served in the U.S. Army.

He last worked in the food service department of Washington & Jefferson College.

Mr. Brabson enjoyed fishing.

Surviving are a sister, Betty McClelland of Washington; and a nephew, David McClelland. **C**

Patricia Zimmerman

1976 graduate of Canon-McMillan High

Patricia Zimmerman, 44, of Canonsburg, died Friday, November 15, 2002.

She was born September 2, 1958, in Canonsburg, a daughter of Eugene Teyssier of McDonald and the late Stella Wasik Teyssier.

Mrs. Zimmerman was a 1976 Canon-McMillan High School graduate and a homemaker.

Surviving are a son, Christopher Michael Zimmerman at home; a daughter, Tiffany Ann Zimmerman at home; and two sisters, Dorothy Seik and Dolores Druga, both of McDonald. **RR**

Jody Lynn Rencheck

Avella resident formerly employed at Red Lobster



Jody Lynn Rencheck, 35, of Avella, died at 3:35 a.m. Sunday, November 24, 2002, in University Hospital,

Charleston, S.C., as a result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

She was born May 19, 1967, in Wheeling, W. Va., a daughter of Edward Allen and Geraldine Ann Penrod Myers of Avella.

Mrs. Rencheck attended Brook Hills Free Methodist Church in West Virginia.

She attended Avella High School and was formerly employed at Red Lobster in Robinson Township.

On June 22, 1985, she married John David Rencheck, who survives.

Surviving, in addition to her husband and parents, are two sons, Brandon John Rencheck and Travis Lee Rencheck, both of Wellsburg, W. Va.; a brother, Edward Allen Myers II of Germantown, Md.; and two sisters, Geraldine Hancher of Washington and Mary Naomi Myers of Martins Ferry, Ohio.

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Eileen W. Dobbin

Florida resident was local real estate broker

Eileen Woodruff Dobbin, 71, of Florida, formerly of Canonsburg, died at 6:55 p.m. Monday, November 18, 2002, in her daughter's home in Pittsburgh.

She was born November 16, 1931, in Peters Township, a daughter of Wilma Bane Woodruff of Canonsburg and the late Dorsey Woodruff.

Mrs. Dobbin was a 1949 graduate of Trinity High School and was a real estate broker in Washington County.

She served as president of the local chapter of SOAR (Steelworkers Organization of Active Retirees), was district chairwoman for Pasco County Democratic Party and was a member of Democratic Women's Club and Democratic Executive Committee, all in Florida.

On May 22, 1954, she married Francis J. Dobbin, who died February 14, 1995.

Surviving, in addition to her mother, are two daughters, Kathleen Dobbin (Heeschen) of Pittsburgh and Lorraine Dobbin Randolph of Plano, Texas; a sister, Ada Stimmel of Houston; a brother, Frank Woodruff of Washington; and many nieces and nephews.

A sister, Willadeen Johnson, is deceased.

WF

Mary Hawkins White

Member of Jefferson Avenue United Methodist Church



Mary Malinda Hawkins White, 90, of Bellmead Apartments, Washington, formerly of Bench Avenue, Washington, died

at 8:25 a.m. Thursday, November 21, 2002, in Presbyterian Medical Center, Washington, following a six-week illness.

She was born August 30, 1912, in Stoneboro, a daughter of Charles and Mary Kolb Steckler.

Mrs. White was a homemaker and was a member of Jefferson Avenue United Methodist Church, Washington.

She enjoyed spending time with her family and was an avid bingo player.

Surviving are two daughters, Shirley Hawkins Dunfee of Deerfield, Ohio, and Doris Hawkins Giacometti of Houston; two sons, Charles H. "Bud" Hawkins and John D. White, both of Washington; 13 grandchildren, Charles and Christopher Hawkins, Jennifer Hawkins Conwell, Tina and Jamie White, Bill, Dan, Jeffrey, Gary and Darrell Dunfee, Cheryl Dunfee Hayes, Kathy Giacometti Salsbury and Janice Giacometti Reyner; 20 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

Deceased are her first husband, Charles H. Hawkins, who died November 19, 1942; her second husband, Darrell White, who died March 29, 1994; five brothers, George, Charles, Albert, Paul and William Steckler; and four sisters, Elizabeth Mook, Annie Eitner, Laura Reither and Rosella Steckler.

F

Yvonne C. Ceyrolles

1975 graduate of Fort Cherry High School

Yvonne C. Ceyrolles, 47, of McDonald, died Wednesday, November 27, 2002, in Beverly Health Care, Canonsburg.

She was born December 13, 1954, in Imperial, a daughter of Louise S. Succi Ceyrolles of Mullica Hill, N.J., formerly of McDonald, and the late Elmer A. Ceyrolles.

Miss Ceyrolles was a 1975 graduate of Fort Cherry High School.

Surviving, in addition to her mother, are two sisters, Gail C. Kelley of Columbus, Ohio, and Dorothy L. McElwee of Mullica Hill; a niece; a nephew; six aunts; and four uncles.

Services were private and under the direction of Nation Funeral Home Inc., McDonald. The family suggests memorial contributions be made to Mayview State Hospital, 1600 Mayview Road, Bridgeville, PA 15017.

Warren T. Arnold

Canonsburg contractor was avid hunter

Warren Thomas Arnold, 53, of Canonsburg, died Monday, November 25, 2002, of an apparent heart attack while hunting in West Virginia.

He was born August 9, 1949, in Canonsburg, a son of Helen Babyak Arnold of Canonsburg, with whom made his home, and the late Frank L. Arnold.

Mr. Arnold attended Youngstown University and was a 1975 graduate of California University of Pennsylvania.

He was a self-employed contractor who was an avid hunter and fisherman

Mr. Arnold also enjoyed gardening and baking.

He was a longtime blood and apheresis donor for Central Blood Bank.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are two sisters, Sally D. Lawton of Washington and Vernie Dzura of Meadow Lands; three nephews, Ted Green Jr., Jay Scott Green and Andrew Dzura; and two nieces, Katie and Mary Dzura.

Harry F. Harding Sr.

Penn Mould machinist from Burgettstown



Harry F. Harding Sr., 69, of Burgettstown, died at 4:20 p.m. Tuesday, December 3, 2002, in Donnell House, Washington,

following a seven-month illness.

He was born May 13, 1933, in Uniontown, a son of Louis and Leona Hall Harding.

Mr. Harding attended Uniontown schools.

He had worked as a machinist at Penn Mould for more than 20 years.

Mr. Harding was Protestant and a former member of Arms Club.

He was a member of Independent Club and Edwin Scott Linton American Legion Post 175.

Mr. Harding served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

Surviving are two sons, Harry Harding Jr. of Burgettstown and Richard Harding of Washington; a daughter, Susan Bogan of Washington; six grandchildren, Brian Harding, Renee Kovac, Ronald Bogan Jr., Ethel Clark, Travis Harding and Ginger Hibbert; and eight great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, Robert Louis Harding; a brother, Louis Harding; and two sisters, Ella Mae Ryan and a sister who died in infancy.

F

Edith Cancilla

Longtime resident of Canonsburg

Edith Tornifolio Cancilla, 76, of Canonsburg, died Wednesday, November 27, 2002, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born May 27, 1926, in Follansbee, W. Va., a daughter of John and Rose Savalle Tornifolio.

Mrs. Cancilla had been a resident of Canonsburg for 52 years, where she was an active member of Belmont Christian Church and also taught Sunday school at one time.

Prior to her retirement, she was employed by Mayview State Hospital for 25 years as a nurse's aide.

She enjoyed playing the piano, country music and yodeling.

Mrs. Cancilla loved animals and often brought strays into her home. She was especially fond of her dogs.

On May 27, 1950, she married Victor Cancilla, who died November 7, 1997.

Surviving are two sons, Richard Paul Cancilla of Hagerstown, Md., and David Cancilla of Wisconsin; a brother, Guy Tornifolio of Follansbee; three sisters, Susan DeFonzo of Steubenville, Ohio, Sonny Marcano of Follansbee and Isabella Amuso of Wellsburg, W. Va.; two grandchildren, Richard Kyle and Dimitri Alexander Cancilla; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are five sisters.

OS

Carolyn Cooper

Member of Claysville United Presbyterian Church

Carolyn Cooper, 97, of Claysville, died Saturday, November 23, 2002, in Hazel Day's Personal Care Home, Washington.

She was born October 23, 1905, in Wheeling, W. Va., a daughter of Henry and Sallie McColloch McLain.

Mrs. Cooper was a member of United Presbyterian Church of Claysville.

She was a 1924 graduate of Triadelphia (W. Va.) High School and attended nursing school.

Mrs. Cooper was a homemaker and a 4-H leader in Ohio County, W. Va., for several years.

On September 23, 1927, in Ohio County, she married Hubert H. Cooper, who died October 20, 1997.

Surviving are two daughters, Sarah C. Tinkey of Claysville and Martha C. Brownlee of Washington; a brother, Robert McLain of Lakeland, Fla.; a grandson, Michael Brownlee; and two great-grandsons.

Deceased are a brother, Henry McLain; and a sister, Adele McLain Davis.

WA

Robert C. Cassidy III

Served on Smith Township Planning Board

Robert C. Cassidy III, 72, of Burgettstown, died Monday, December 2, 2002, in Washington Hospital.

He was born June 17, 1930, in Steubenville, Ohio, a son of Robert C. Jr. and Grace McDonnell Cassidy.

Mr. Cassidy was a 1948 graduate of Union High School in Burgettstown.

He worked as a heavy-equipment mechanic and oil producer.

On July 1, 1965, he started his own insurance agency, which bears his name and is now owned by his son.

His wife, Edith Woods Cassidy, survives.

Also surviving are his son, Robert C. Cassidy IV of Burgettstown; a daughter, Janice R. DiTore of Port Washington, N.Y.; a brother, James M. Cassidy of Clinton; a sister, Miriam I. Bailey of Mt. Lebanon; and six grandchildren, Marissa Cassidy, Adrian Schaeffer, Brandon Jadro and Anthony, Michael and Lawrence DiTore.

Deceased is his eldest daughter, Lois Marie Schaeffer, who died October 22, 2001.

At the request of the deceased, there will be no viewing. Private burial will be in the family plot in Fairview Cemetery, with the Rev. Bruce Ballentine officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be sent to Washington Ambulance and Chair, P.O. Box 71, Burgettstown, PA 15021. Arrangements are being handled by Lee and Martin Funeral Home, Burgettstown.

F

Thomas J. Richmond

Thomas Joe Richmond, 79, of Claysville, died Saturday, November 30, 2002, in Washington Hospital.

He was born May 6, 1923, in West Alexander, a son of Russell and Marie Shriver Richmond.

Mr. Richmond was a graduate of Claysville High School and was a veteran of World War II, serving in the U.S. Army in Okinawa, the Philippines and Hawaii.

He was an auto body technician with the former Darr Oldsmobile Cadillac, Washington.

On July 26, 1943, he married Kathleen Hampe, who died June 30, 1975.

Surviving are a son, Thomas J. Richmond of West Alexander; a daughter, Linda D. Borkowski of West Alexander; and two brothers, J.D. Richmond of Claysville and Sonny Richmond of Washington.

Deceased are a brother, Bud Richmond; and a sister who died in infancy.

David A. George

Served the Peace Corps in Peru

David A. George, 64, of Clinton, formerly of Canonsburg, died Tuesday, November 26, 2002, in St. John's Lutheran Care Center, Mars.

He was born March 25, 1938, in Canonsburg, a son of the late Willard C. and Mary Russell George.

Mr. George was a graduate of Kiski Preparatory and graduated from Lake Forest College in Illinois. He received a master's degree from the University of New Mexico and did graduate studies at the University of Pittsburgh.

He served in the U.S. Marine Corps and served for two years in Peru in the Peace Corps.

Mr. George was retired from the Social Security Administration.

On October 28, 1963, in Quito, Peru, he married Susan Hines, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, David W. George of New York, N.Y., and Alexander R. George of Boston, Mass.

Deceased are two brothers, John and William George; and two sisters, Patricia Gallie and Mary Lou Shaw.

Ida Druga

Longtime Southview resident enjoyed bingo

Ida Druga, 66, of Southview, died Thursday, November 28, 2002, in Washington Hospital.

She was born June 21, 1936, in Imperial, a daughter of Lynn and Ella Gurski Guyaux.

Mrs. Druga was a member of S.N.P.J. of Southview.

She was a resident of Southview for 40 years.

Mrs. Druga enjoyed singing for her family and playing bingo.

Her husband, Louis "Slim" Druga, died July 18, 2001.

Surviving are two daughters, Rae Druga of Southview and Marty Semulka of Coraopolis; two grandchildren, Billy Maxwell and Joshua Holder; three sisters, Jean Lilly of Presto, Catherine Battista of Bridgeville and Virginia Books of Oakdale; and two brothers, Lynn Guyaux of Moon Township and Rick Guyaux of Painesville, Ohio.

Deceased is a brother, John Guyaux.

There will be no public visitation. Relatives and friends are invited to attend a funeral Mass at 10 a.m. Friday, December 6, in St. Mary Roman Catholic Church, Cecil, with the Rev. Robert Connolly as celebrant. Arrangements are being handled by Eugene C. Coleman Funeral Home, Cecil.

June Fodor

Formerly of Avella

June Fodor, 68, of Anthem, Arizona, formerly of Avella, died at 6:15 a.m. Tuesday, December 3, 2002, in her home.

She was born June 20, 1934, in Washington, a daughter of Robert and Emmaline Doumont Campbell.

Mrs. Fodor lived in Avella from 1923 until the time she moved to Hilton Head Island, S.C., in 1997, and the past three months in Anthem.

On October 5, 1951, she married Thomas Fodor, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Linda Kalich of Anthem; a son, Thomas F. (Tim) Fodor of Hilton Head Island; three grandchildren, Lori Lynn Almindo, Michael F. Kalich and Timothy Andrew Fodor; and two sisters, Dolores Marker of Avella and Lillian Wheeler of Follansbee, W.Va.

Deceased are two brothers, Victor and Robert Campbell; and a sister, Evelyn Inman.

WP

Stanley P. Cole Jr.

Allegheny Ludlum electrician was ham radio operator



Stanley P. Cole Jr., 60, of Washington, died Sunday, December 8, 2002, in the emergency room of Washington Hospital.

He was born February 27, 1942, in Washington, a son of Mary Goroncy Cole of Ojai, Calif., and the late Stanley Paul Cole Sr.

Mr. Cole had been employed as an electrician at Allegheny Ludlum for 38 years. He first worked at the Houston plant, then the Washington plant, and was currently employed at the Houston facility.

He enjoyed his Honda motorcycle, camping, family picnics and his Siberian Huskies.

He was a 1960 graduate of Washington High School and served with the National Guard.

On April 11, 1964, he married Susan D. Morris, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Stanley Paul Cole III of Washington and Jared M. Cole of Prosperity; a brother, James Lee Cole of Woodbridge, Va.; a sister, Victoria Cole of Santa Barbara, Calif.; three grandchildren, Michael L., Matthew A. and Kaitlyn S. Cole; four stepgrandchildren, Brandon J., Calvin K., Michael R. and Mandy L. Klein; and several nieces and nephews.

A brother, Terry Lee Cole, is deceased.

NB

Jane Tucker

Carnegie homemaker

Jane (Norene) Tucker, 63, of Carnegie, died Tuesday, December 3, 2002, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh.

She was born May 10, 1939, in Primrose, a daughter of Robert H. Johnson of Detroit, Mich., and the late Cora Mae Moss Johnson.

Mrs. Tucker was a homemaker and a Jehovah's Witness.

Surviving are three children, Robert Johnson of Sturgeon, Kim Barbour of Carnegie and Ronald Johnson of McDonald; 11 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Elizabeth Johnson of Mt. Lebanon and Roberta (Joyce) Cooper of Michigan; and a brother, Robert Brown of Burgettstown.

Leilani June Fischer

Steward for Burgettstown American Legion

Leilani June Fischer, 57, of Burgettstown, died Wednesday, December 4, 2002, in Weirton (W.Va.) Hospital.

She was born December 11, 1944, in Detroit, Mich., a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jim Kekaha.

Mrs. Fischer was a homemaker and steward for American Legion in Burgettstown.

Surviving are her husband, Thomas Fischer; a son, Dennis Lindey of Slovan; a stepson, T.J. Fischer of Burgettstown; a stepdaughter, Melissa Powell; three brothers, Sam Kekaha of Harrison, Ark., Jim Kekaha of Ft. Worth, Texas, and Bob Kekaha of California state; three grandchildren, Melanie, Michael and Matthew Lindey; and four stepgrandchildren, R.J., Shaelyn and Bradley Pierce and Zack Fischer.

MP

Margaret Ruth Hormel

Member of Oakdale United Presbyterian Church

Margaret Ruth Hormel, 79, of Primrose (McDonald), died Thursday, December 5, 2002, in Beaver Valley Geriatric Center.

She was born May 29, 1923, a daughter of Clinton and Jenny McCurdy Miller.

Mrs. Hormel graduated from Juniata College with a bachelor of science degree.

She was a homemaker and a member of Oakdale United Presbyterian Church.

Her husband, William Melvin Hormel, is deceased.

Surviving are two sons, Peter of Primrose and Ray of Rochester; and four grandchildren, Corrie, Jennifer and Matthew Hormel and Lucas Sloppy.

Donald J. Bedillion

World War II U.S. Navy Seabee from Claysville

Donald J. Bedillion, 85, of Claysville, formerly of Eighty Four, died Monday, December 9, 2002, in his home.

He was born April 2, 1917, in Washington, a son of Golie and Mary Myrtle Donley Bedillion.

Mr. Bedillion was a member of West Alexander Presbyterian Church and its pastor nominating committee.

He was a former member of Emmanuel Presbyterian Church in Eighty Four, where he participated in the choir.

Mr. Bedillion was a 1935 graduate of East Washington High School.

He was a veteran of World War II, serving with the U.S. Navy as a Seabee in Okinawa, Saipan, Guam and Hawaii.

Mr. Bedillion was formerly employed by Ward Printing and Jessop Steel, both in Washington, and in 1984 he retired from Cooper Industries in Canonsburg.

In 1940, in Winchester, Va., he married Jane Zediker, who died in June 1985.

On August 7, 1986, he married Winnie King Hodgens, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Chuck Bedillion of Washington; a stepdaughter, Sandra Boyd of Amsterdam, Ohio; a sister, Helen Day of Washington; three grandchildren, Jason, Clifford and Russell Bedillion; three stepgrandchildren, John Mark Graham, Beth Graham and Donald Boyd; six stepgreat-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, Charles Keith and Clifford Wayne Bedillion; and a foster stepson, Robert Kalakewich.

CL

Helen B. Hutchinson

Formerly of Washington



Helen B. Hutchinson, 93, formerly of Washington, died Saturday, December 7, 2002, in Sparrow Dimondale Center, Dimondale, Mich.

She was born April 4, 1909, in Scranton, a daughter of Boyd and Mabel Greenwood Buckwalter.

Her husband, William L. Hutchinson, is deceased.

Surviving are three children, Jim Hutchinson of Lapeer, Mich., Ann Hutchinson of Mason, Mich., and Marilyn Hutchinson of Lansing, Mich.; 11 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, David Hutchinson; and a brother, Roland Buckwalter.

Robert L. Campbell

Twilight Industries retiree from Cecil Township

Robert L. Campbell, 64, of Cecil Township, died Wednesday, December 11, 2002, in his home.

He was born June 14, 1938, in Morgan, a son of the late Donald and Mary Ellen Ewing Campbell.

Mr. Campbell was a 1956 graduate of South Fayette High School and served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War.

He worked as a heavy-equipment operator and mechanic for Bilmar Co. in Coraopolis for 25 years and last worked for Twilight Industries in Belle Vernon, from which he retired in 2001.

Mr. Campbell enjoyed gardening and was a sports enthusiast.

Surviving are his wife, Mary Ann Jacobs Campbell; a daughter, Linda Spinden of Mt. Pleasant Township; a brother, Richard Campbell of McDonald; two sisters, Dorothy Perry of McDonald and Bertha Smith of Pittsburgh; and two grandchildren, Danielle and Brent Spinden.

A brother, Donald Campbell, is deceased.

MP

John Samuel Bonar

Retired from Valley Camp Coal Co. in W.Va.

John Samuel Bonar, 87, of Donegal Township, died Wednesday, December 11, 2002, in Manor Care Nursing Home, McMurray.

He was born January 8, 1915, in Donegal Township, a son of William and Margaret Dierken Bonar.

Mr. Bonar was a member of West Alexander Presbyterian Church.

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

A 34-year employee of Valley Camp Coal Co., Elm Grove, W.Va., he retired in 1980.

Mr. Bonar was a member of West Alexander American Legion Post 656.

On October 18, 1942, he married Anna Margaret Anderson, who survives.

Also surviving are four daughters, Peggy Bonar of Wolf Run, W.Va., Nancy Hancher of Florida, Susan Philpott of Nevada and Lisa Bonar of Pittsburgh; three stepchildren, Pat Ciccolella and Terry and Larry Miller; 11 granddaughters; and 19 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a daughter, Barbara Bonar; two brothers, William and Chester Bonar; and three sisters, Jessie Bonar, Lillian Mundell and Sara Hansen.

WA

William J. Huber

Member of Raccoon Valley Sportsmen's Club

William J. Huber, 71, of Washington, died Thursday, December 12, 2002, in Humbert Lane Health Care Center, Washington.

He was born January 2, 1931, in Cross Creek (Washington County), a son of Joseph and Elizabeth Stasey Huber.

Mr. Huber worked in construction and last worked as a truck driver for Russell Industries.

He was a member of Raccoon Valley Sportsmen's Club and Canonsburg Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Mr. Huber served with the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War.

Surviving are a son, Randy Huber; and three sisters, Edith Stimpson and Ruth Hampe, both of Washington, and Mary Ann Palumbo of Columbus, Ohio.

CC

John Robert Wilson

Machinist for Trigon Co. in McMurray

John Robert Wilson, 51, of Canonsburg, died at 3:55 p.m. Wednesday, December 11, 2002, in UPMC-Presbyterian hospital, Pittsburgh.

He was born April 14, 1951, in Akron, Ohio, a son of Nellie Daniels Wilson Frichman of Sycamore and the late Howard McClelland Wilson.

Mr. Wilson worked as a machinist for Trigon Co. in McMurray.

He was a 1969 graduate of Trinity High School.

Mr. Wilson was an enthusiastic Penguins fan and enjoyed skiing and hiking.

Surviving are two daughters, Rachel Wilson of Canonsburg and Lori Cochran of New Alexandria; a son, Adam Wilson of Canonsburg; a brother, Ralph Wilson of Canton, Ohio; two sisters, Carol Wagoner of Kentucky and Cathy Bird of Sycamore; eight grandchildren; and several nieces.

WF

John Lester Neil

Lifelong Eldersville resident

John Lester Neil, 47, of Eldersville, died unexpectedly Monday, December 16, 2002, in his home.

He was born May 20, 1955, in Ohio Valley Hospital, Steubenville, Ohio, a son of the late Donald W. Sr. and Edna M. Davis Neil.

Mr. Neil was a 1972 graduate of Burgettstown High School.

He was a lifelong resident of Eldersville and a member of Eldersville United Methodist Church.

Mr. Neil enjoyed hunting, fishing, playing dartball and bingo.

Surviving are two brothers, Roy Eugene Neil Sr. of Slovan and Donald Wilson Neil Jr. of Osceola Mills; a sister, Flora Louis Neil of Florida; and several nieces and nephews.

CC

Teri A. Wakulik

Active in charity work; employed by Candle Keller



Teri A. Wakulik, 51, of Canonsburg, died unexpectedly Tuesday, December 10, 2002, in her home.

She was born February 28, 1951, in Lowville, N.Y., a daughter of Patricia Howell Gorczyca of Rome, N.Y., and the late Leonard Gorczyca.

Mrs. Wakulik was employed by Candle Keller Restaurant, McMurray, for more than 10 years and was active in charity work for March of Dimes and Washington Women's Shelter.

On September 20, 1969, she married George Wakulik, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Matt Wakulik of Pittsburgh, Chris Wakulik of Nineveh and George Wakulik III at home; and two brothers, David and Stan Gorczyca, both of Rome, N.Y.

WF

Wilda Mae Smith

Washington resident



Wilda Mae Smith, 77, of Washington, died Tuesday, December 17, 2002, in Washington Hospital.

She was born January 14, 1925, in Burgettstown, a daughter of

Her husband, William Smith, is deceased.

Surviving are a sister, Ann Steadman of Westland; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a sister, Alma Cipriani; and her stepfather, Angelo Callegher.

V

CORRECTION

THE OBITUARY of Wilda Smith, published Thursday, should have said she was a daughter of James Francis Crawford and Cora Mae Pyle Callegher.

Ruth R. Rumbaugh

Active member of First Baptist Church, Midway

Ruth R. Sickles Rumbaugh, 75, of Midway, died Friday, December 13, 2002, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh.

She was born August 6, 1927, a daughter of T.W. and Rosann Anderson Sickles.

Mrs. Rumbaugh was a very active member of First Baptist Church of Midway, where he was a Sunday school teacher for more than 40 years.

She was a 1945 graduate of Hickory High School.

On November 21, 1947, she married Merle L. Rumbaugh, who died August 27, 1984.

Surviving are three sons, John W. of Finleyville, Richard J. of Mt. Pleasant Township and Brian L. Rumbaugh of Washington; a daughter, Susan G. Gilbert of Primrose; eight grandchildren, Timothy and Aaron Gilbert, Heather Ruffner, Benjamin Merle, Daniel J., Katjie Roseann, Nathan and Aubrey Rumbaugh; and four great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Rumbaugh was the last of her immediate family.

Deceased are six brothers, Thomas, Kenneth, Ray, Norman, Ralph and Wilbert (Bill); and two sisters, Margaret and Dorothy.

Myrtle Marquis Reedy

86-year member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church



Myrtle Marquis Reedy, 98, of Strabane Woods, Washington, formerly of Hickory, died at 5:20 p.m.

Thursday, December 19, 2002, in Humbert Lane Health Care Center, Washington, following a brief illness.

She was born October 10, 1904, in Canonsburg, a daughter of Kirk and Alice Caldwell Marquis.

Mrs. Reedy was a homemaker.

She was a 1925 graduate of Hickory High School and was one of only two living graduates of the school.

Mrs. Reedy was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church for 86 years and had served as a deacon, a member of its Worthwhile Sunday School Class and was a life member of Hickory Presbyterian Women, formerly known as Missionary Society.

She was a former member of Hickory Women's Club and Farm Women's Club.

On June 10, 1925, she married Hiram Edward Reedy, who died April 8, 1969.

Surviving are a son, William E. Reedy of Washington; a daughter, Elaine R. Caldwell of Hickory; six grandchildren, Gregory J. and Douglas S. Caldwell, Michelle Caldwell Pintar, Cynthia Reedy, Pamela Reedy Heron and William E. Reedy Jr.; and 15 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two sisters, Lela Marquis and Bernice Sellars.

MP

Lloyd E. Plunkett

Retired from National Steel Corp., Weirton Division

Lloyd E. Plunkett, 81, of Paris, died Tuesday, December 17, 2002, in Weirton (W.Va.) Medical Center.

He was born April 9, 1921, in Holidays Cove, W.Va., a son of Ernest and Helen McCullough Plunkett.

On February 16, 1951, he married Ruth Van Orman, who survives.

Mr. Plunkett was a member of Paris Presbyterian Church, Hanover Association for Neighborly Development (HAND), 25-year Club of Weirton Steel Co., AARP and Fort Vance Historical Society.

He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the U.S. Army.

Mr. Plunkett was employed by National Steel Corp., Weirton Division, in the boiler house before retiring in 1984.

He became well-known as the "friend husband" through his wife, who was a longtime columnist for the *Weirton Daily Times*.

Surviving are a daughter, Kathleen Schrader of Cecil Township; two granddaughters, Valerie and Michelle Schrader; and several cousins.

A brother, Raymond Plunkett, is deceased.

P

Nora M. Channing

Former Valley Grove, W.Va., resident

Nora Margaret Thompson Channing, 78, formerly of Valley Grove, W.Va., died Friday, December 13, 2002, in Cedar Ridge Center, Sissonville, W.Va.

She was born March 9, 1924, in Bethany, W.Va., a daughter of Ernest and Bernice McAdoo Thompson.

Mrs. Channing was Protestant.

Surviving are a daughter, Margaret Ann Porter of Charleston, W.Va.; four nephews, Lee, John and Ernest Brothers and William McAdoo; and a niece, Barbara Lynn Zak.

Deceased are her husband, Herbert Channing, who died in 1998; and two sisters, Frances Brothers and Ethel Thompson.

WA

Mary Mansfield Fisk

Canonsburg homemaker



Mary Eva Mansfield Fisk, 87, formerly of Canonsburg, died Tuesday, December 24, 2002, in Kade Nursing Home,

Washington.

She was born November 12, 1915, in Canonsburg, a daughter of Riley W. and Ida May Ramsey Melone.

Mrs. Fisk was a homemaker who attended Johnstown Federated United Methodist Church of Kinsman, Ohio.

In 1933, she married David Edward Mansfield, who died in 1985.

In 1987, she married Edward W. Fisk, who died in 2002.

Surviving are three sons, William Mansfield of Prosperity, David Mansfield Jr. of Elyria, Ohio, and Donald Mansfield of Eighty Four; six daughters, Evelyn Moss of Tennessee, Martha Armstrong of Ohio, Doris Burnette of Washington, Dorothy Springfield and Janet Kostillo, both of Canonsburg, and Phylliss Farmer of Alabama; a stepdaughter, Betty Meek of New Castle; 30 grandchildren, 34 great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a sister, Grace Sugden; a grandchild and a great-grandchild.

HC

Thomas Deer

Bridgeville ironworker

Thomas "Buster" Deer, 89, of Bridgeville, died Tuesday, December 17, 2002.

He was born March 4, 1913, in Bulger, a son of Thomas V. and Margaret Dunkle Deer.

Mr. Deer was an ironworker and a member of Iron Workers Local 3 and Polar Star Club of Avella.

His wife, Sadie Foster Deer, died March 29, 1993.

Surviving are a daughter, Joyce Ann Howard of Ionia, Iowa; three grandchildren, Mark and Brett Hoover and Dawn Everett; and two great-grandchildren.

Deceased are four sisters, Elizabeth Jones, Mary Jane Boles, Margaret Butcher and Thelma Deer; and a brother, Charles Deer.

V

Dorothy Wannamaker

Primrose homemaker

Dorothy E. Wannamaker, 70, of Primrose, died Sunday, December 22, 2002, in her home.

She was born February 3, 1932, in Braeburn, a daughter of Archibald Kenneth and Margaret Enola Lobaugh Swank.

Mrs. Wannamaker was a homemaker and a 1950 graduate of Freeport High School. She enjoyed raising her family.

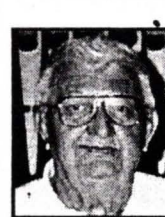
On December 9, 1950, she married Edwin William Wannamaker, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Kenneth Wannamaker of the state of California, Mark Wannamaker of Primrose and Douglas Wannamaker of Springdale; three daughters, Deborah Wannamaker of Primrose, Donna Rocher of Mississippi and Barbara Harmon of McDonald; a brother, Stanley Swank of Sarver; a sister, Lois Ashbaugh of Leechburg; five grandchildren, Lisa Lauderbaugh, Mike Wannamaker, Eddie and Danielle Rocher and Christine Harmon; and four great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a brother, Sonny Swank; and a sister, Carolyn Johnson.

Homer Franklin Winters

WWII veteran employed by American Bridgeworks



Homer Franklin "Pappy" Winters, 84, of Washington, died at 8:05 p.m. Thursday, December 26, 2002, in

Washington Hospital.

He was born September 7, 1918, in Rea, a son of Creatus and Cynthia Rodgers Winters.

Mr. Winters was a member of Friendship Community Church and had been employed by Sheffler Plant of American Bridgeworks in Pittsburgh for 18 years.

During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army and received the Asiatic-Pacific Service Medal.

On October 13, 1945, he married Helen Lucy Ruse, who died September 15, 1991.

Surviving are four sons, Franklin Homer Winters, James Edward Winters, David Lee Winters and Robert Creatus Winters, all of Washington; 12 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a son, Homer Franklin Winters; six sisters, Mary Ellen McKim, Elizabeth Rebecca Jane White, Maude Miller, Goldie Williams, Elda Kirshner and Roxie Liggett; and four brothers, George Washington Winters, LeRoy Winters, Brady Winters and Robert Winters.

MP

Mary Helen Smith

Member of Third United Presbyterian Church

Mary Helen Allison Smith, 84, of Washington, died at 7:45 a.m. Thursday, December 26, 2002, in the home of her daughter, following a brief illness.

She was born April 13, 1918, in Canton Township, a daughter of George D. and Myrtle M. Miller Allison.

Mrs. Smith was a homemaker and a member of Third United Presbyterian Church in Washington.

She was a 1936 graduate of Trinity High School.

Mrs. Smith was a member of Washington Chapter 409 Order of Eastern Star, where she was past matron in 1947 and 1948. She also was a former member of Washington Hospital Auxiliary.

In the 1960s and 1970s, she was manager of Ash Hat Shop in Washington.

Mrs. Smith enjoyed traveling, quilting and gardening.

She was a recipient of American Legion Award in the eighth grade at McClay School.

On October 5, 1936, she married James D. (J.D.) Smith, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Elaine M. Patton of West Middletown and Joyce D McCracken of Washington; four grandchildren, Joni Patton Paviol, Janice Patton Yoskovich, William McCracken and Melia Patton Oddi; seven great-grandchildren; five nephews; and a niece.

Deceased are two brothers, Paul and Rex Allison; and two sisters, Wilda Taggart and Margaret Taggart. **W**

Clark E. Schwab

McDonald farmer

Clark E. Schwab, 91, of McDonald, Mt. Pleasant Township, died Saturday, December 28, 2002, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born April 26, 1911, in Burgettstown, a son of James Sterling and Dora Rommes Schwab.

Mr. Schwab was a self-employed farmer and a member of Raccoon Presbyterian Church, Candor.

In 1932, he married Margaret Johnston, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Myra Gilbert of Midway and Vera Haspel of Burgettstown; two sons, William Lee Schwab of Bulger and Gene R. Schwab of Midway; 11 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; a sister, Elsie Johnston of Ohio; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a son, Clark Johnston Schwab; a grandson, Mike Haspel; and eight brothers and sisters. **R**

Robert E. Roadman Sr.

Avella man retired from Weirton Steel Corp.

Robert Emerson Roadman Sr., 66, of Avella, died Tuesday, December 24, 2002, in his home.

He was born August 7, 1936, in Muse, a son of James Emerson and Mildred Chappell Roadman.

Mr. Roadman was a member of Franklin Methodist Church of Wellsburg, W. Va.

He was a 1954 graduate of Avella High School and was employed by Weirton Steel Corp. for 29 years, retiring in 1995.

Mr. Roadman was a resident of Avella for 50 years and was an avid Internet surfer.

On June 28, 1957, he married Leala Adams, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Judy Magon of Avella; three sons, John of Burgettstown, William of Wellsburg and Samuel Roadman of Plano, Texas; four grandchildren, Mallory, Alyssa and Lauren Roadman and Jared Magon; a brother, Carl F. Roadman of Sanford, N.C.; and a sister, Eileen Stack of Highland Ranch, Colo.

A son, Robert E. Roadman Jr., died December 12, 1981. **I**

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 daughter, 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. **W**

Lois P. Wagner

Former mail carrier

Lois P. Power Wagner, 89, of Silver Spring, Md., formerly of Burgettstown, died Thursday, December 26, 2002.

She was born July 29, 1913, a daughter of Clarence and Florence Rosson Power.

Mrs. Wagner was a mail carrier for the U.S. Postal Service.

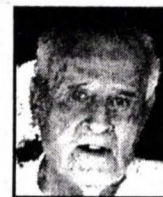
She was a member of Hillcrest Presbyterian Church and was past matron of Order of Eastern Star of Burgettstown.

Surviving are a daughter, Nancy Rentz of Maryland; three grandchildren, Charles Rentz Jr., Barbara Glover and Carol Howard; four great-grandchildren; a sister, Gretchen Harvey of Burgettstown; and two brothers, Clarence "Bub" Power of Missouri and William Power of Greensburg.

Deceased are her husband, Edwin Wagner, who died in February 1994; and three brothers, Martin, Samuel and Thurman "Cye" Power. **MP**

Robert Lester Garrett

Claysville resident enjoyed flea markets



Robert Lester Garrett, 81, of Claysville, died at 11:11 a.m. Tuesday, December 24, 2002, in his home.

He was born July 4, 1921, in Bellview, a son of Joseph and Julia Langenbacher Garrett.

Mr. Garrett was a self-employed contractor and craftsman and had been a resident of Claysville for 31 years.

He attended Washington schools.

During World War II, Mr. Garrett served in Company A of the 398th Military Police Battalion in Normandy, Northern France and the Ardennes from January 1943 until January 1946.

He enjoyed going to flea markets.

On May 30, 1946, he married Mae Viola Stage, who died October 13, 1990.

His companion was Rose Ardeno Skariot of Washington.

Surviving are six sons, Glen Robert and John W. Garrett, both of Claysville, Dennis James and Barry Keith Garrett, both of Washington, and Timothy B. and Robert D. (Bud) Garrett, both at home; two daughters, Sandra Gomez and Linda McGowan, both of Washington; two brothers, Raymond Garrett of Bremerton, Wash., and James R. Garrett of Washington; a sister, Mildred Mitzy Levato of Washington; 21 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; and an aunt.

Deceased are a son, Robert Garrett, who died in infancy; a grandson, Joseph Robert Gomez, who died in infancy; two brothers, William and Ronald E. Garrett; and two sisters, Mary Jane Garrett and Virginia Stewart. **CL**

Rose C. Bentrem

Member of Noblestown United Methodist Church

Rose C. Bentrem, 96, of Oakdale, died Wednesday, December 25, 2002, in Country Meadows Nursing Home, Bridgeville.

She was born May 16, 1906, in Collier Township, a daughter of Charles and Fannie Schwartz Bentrem.

Miss Bentrem was a member of Noblestown United Methodist Church and was the last of her immediate family.

Deceased are two brothers, Charles C. and George A. Bentrem; and three sisters, Clara M. Campbell, Ruth B. Rigert and Margaret C. Scott. **OA**

Robert L. Hunsinger

WWII veteran retired from Burgunder Motors

Robert L. Hunsinger, 86, of Oakdale, North Fayette Township, died Wednesday, December 25, 2002, in Ohio Valley Hospital, Kennedy Township.

He was born June 29, 1916, in Wilkes-Barre, a son of Leo and Catherine Hunsinger.

Mr. Hunsinger was a 1934 graduate of Union High School in Burgettstown.

He retired after 27 years of service from Burgunder Motors in Bridgeville and was a member of Oakdale United Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Hunsinger was a member of Slovan Post 6553 Veterans of Foreign Wars, serving as chaplain for more than 40 years, a past member of Bridgeville Rotary Club and a member of Slovan Volunteer Fire Department.

He served in the U.S. Army during World War II, receiving several medals.

On May 31, 1942, he married Loretta Kessler Hunsinger, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Robert M. Hunsinger of McDonald; three grandchildren, Kara, Kristen and Ryan Hunsinger; and two brothers, Joseph and Angelo Abate, both of Burgettstown.

Deceased are four brothers, Frank, Charles, Henry and George Abate. **RR**

Doris B. Hooper

Member of Paris Presbyterian Church

Doris B. Hooper, 92, of Weirton, W. Va., formerly of Paris, died Wednesday, December 25, 2002, in Weirton Medical Center.

She was born January 21, 1910, in New Alexandria, Ohio, a daughter of Charles R. and Jessie Mae Rine Fellows.

Mrs. Hooper was a member of Paris Presbyterian Church and its Loyal Workers Sunday School Class.

She was a homemaker.

On March 22, 1958, in Brilliant, Ohio, she married Harold I. Hooper, who died February 19, 1995.

Surviving are a sister, Helen Watson of Hudson, Ohio; two stepsons, Leonard R. Hooper of Paris and Gerald R. Hooper of Wilmington, Del.; six grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; eight stepgrandchildren; and nine stepgreat-grandchildren.

Deceased are a daughter, Donna Joiner; a son, Gerald (Pete) Richards; two brothers, Charles Leo and Clarence R. Fellows; and a sister, Ruth Jean Smith. CP

Fernal Thornhill

Steelworker from McDonald

Fernal Thornhill, 70, of McDonald, died Friday, December 27, 2002, in Beverly Health Care, McMurray.

He was born September 13, 1932, a son of George and Elizabeth Brady Thornhill.

Mr. Thornhill was a steelworker with LTV Steel Co.

He was a member of McDonald Lions Club and McDonald and Canonsburg Elks Club. He served as past exalted ruler of the Canonsburg Elks.

His wife, Gladys Holmes Thornhill, died in 1993.

Surviving are seven daughters, Debra Chatman and Anita Thornhill, both of Washington, Rosalyn Bryant of Pittsburgh, and Paula Thornhill, Fern Oliver, Marla Boyd and Tamika Thornhill, all of McDonald; three stepchildren, LaMont Coleman of California, Darrin Coleman of Cranberry and Rita Coleman of Erie; 15 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and two brothers, Franklin Thornhill of McDonald and the Rev. Theodore Thornhill of Pittsburgh.

Deceased are five brothers and three sisters. OA

Robert P. Bender

Weirton Steel retiree from Burgettstown

Robert P. Bender, 74, of Burgettstown, died Friday, January 3, 2003, in Presbyterian Medical Center, Washington.

He was born December 2, 1928, in Langeloth, a son of Earl and Helen Seaman Bender.

Prior to retirement, Mr. Bender was employed by Weirton (W. Va.) Steel Corp.

He was a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean War.

Mr. Bender was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars of Burgettstown, Burgettstown Italian Club and Bur-Lang Fishing Club.

His wife, Wilma Hupfeld Bender, died in 1985.

Surviving are a daughter, Carmen Stiffler of Burgettstown; two grandsons, Jason and Jordan Stiffler; four brothers, Frank, Joseph and Earl Bender of Burgettstown and William Bender of Langeloth; five sisters, Anna Marie Egbert and Jean Boyer, both of Burgettstown, Helen Haber of Eldersville, Shirley Spotti of Slovan and Judy Lauderback of Florida.

A sister, Loretta Gilbert, is deceased. MP

Germaine Griffith

Member of Noblestown U.P. Church, McDonald seniors

Germaine Augustine Catherine Griffith, 89, of McDonald, died Sunday, January 5, 2003, in Ohio Valley Hospital, Kennedy Township.

She was born September 28, 1913, in Sturgeon, a daughter of John A. and Josephine S. Chiron Vidal.

Mrs. Griffith was a homemaker.

She was a member of Noblestown United Presbyterian Church, North Fayette Township, and McDonald Senior Citizens Center.

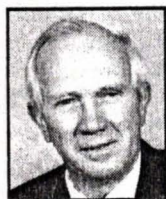
In 1940, she married Calvin Griffith, who died in 1976.

Surviving are a brother, Louis Vidal of Anaheim, Calif.; three sisters, Lorraine Eastway of Leroy, Mich., Marie Reihl of Myerstown and Julia Lefler of Northville Township, Mich.; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a brother, John Vidal; and four sisters, Suzanne E. Zamanski, Emma Couripalo, Louise Stewart and Emily Pensis. R

Joseph J. Salandra

Penner's Salvage owner, longtime Meadows worker



Joseph J. "Penner" Salandra, 70, of Muse, died unexpectedly Wednesday, January 1, 2003, in his home.

He was born November 22, 1932, in Midland, a son of Joseph and Rose Ross Salandra.

Mr. Salandra was a 1951 graduate of Chartiers High School and a member of Holy Rosary Roman Catholic Church in Muse.

He was a member of Sports Arena Employees Local 137 Retirees and was employed at The Meadows racetrack for 32

On August 20, 1955, in Holy Rosary Church in Muse, he married Patricia K. Walker, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Joseph P. Salandra of Meadow Lands and Michael W. Salandra of Glenwood, Md.; a daughter, Eron K. Barnes of Muse; a brother, Nicholas G. Salandra of Peters Township; 10 grandchildren, Adam M. and Lauren E. Salandra, Blake A., Liam P. and Shannon K. Barnes, and Taylor K., Christian J., Julia L., Maria E. and Michael A. Salandra; and several nieces and nephews. WF

Florence M. Veydt

Member of Cecil Alliance Church

Florence M. Veydt, 82 of Cecil, died Tuesday, December 31, 2002, in her home.

She was born March 5, 1920, in Morgan, a daughter of Robert and Mary Hockenberry Green.

Mrs. Veydt was a member of Cecil Alliance Church and a volunteer at St. Clair Memorial Hospital in Mt. Lebanon.

Prior to retirement, she operated a beauty salon in Cecil.

On October 18, 1941, in Union Gospel Mission of Cecil, she married Alex Veydt, who survives and with whom she celebrated 61 years of marriage.

Also surviving are two daughters, Linda M. Leasure and Dr. Connie J. Armitage, both of Cecil; two sons, Dr. Neil E. Veydt of Spring Arbor, Mich., and Mark R. Veydt of Cecil; 10 grandchildren, Lance Veydt, Karen French, Jennifer Slack, Lynne Beebe, Michael Leasure, David and Jill Armitage, and Lauren, Stephen, and Kelsey Veydt; and four great-grandchildren.

Deceased are three sisters, Thelma Kubiak, Bernice Veydt and Myrtle Ewing; and three brothers, Harold, Ernest and Lewis Green. V

Thelma E. Butterfield

Member of Claysville Christian Church

Thelma E. Butterfield, 91, a resident of TLC Health Network Nursing Facility, Irving, N.Y., formerly of Forestville, N.Y., died Thursday, January 2, 2003, in TLC Health Network-Lake Shore Hospital, Irving, following a lengthy illness.

She was born January 24, 1911, in Claysville, a daughter of James and Ocie Hewitt Hancher.

Mrs. Butterfield was a graduate of Glendale School of Nursing in West Virginia and was a licensed practical nurse, working for Carlisle Hospital for 15 years.

She was a member of Claysville Christian Church.

Surviving are two daughters, Yvonne Travis of Amherst, N.Y., and Beverly Hertig of Las Vegas, Nev.; eight grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren.

Deceased are her husband, Ray S. Butterfield, who died August 26, 1997; a daughter, Jeane Vannest; a son, Donald Sutherland; two sisters; and a brother.

Burial will be in West Alexander Cemetery in the spring.

James C. Wilson

Cross Creek dairy farmer raised black Angus



James C. Wilson, 87, of Mount Hope Ridge Road, Claysville, died at 3:30 p.m. Monday, December 30, 2002, in his home

following a four-month illness.

He was born August 23, 1915, in Cross Creek Township, a son of Lee M. and Ruth Smith Wilson.

Mr. Wilson was a lifelong member of Grove United Presbyterian Church in West Middletown, where he served as an elder and Sunday school teacher.

He was a dairy farmer in Cross Creek Township and later raised black Angus cattle on Mount Hope Ridge Road.

Mr. Wilson was a 1932 graduate of Hickory High School, attended Moody Bible Institute in Chicago, and was a member of Gideon International.

He was a member of Pennsylvania Farmers Association and West Middletown Cemetery board.

On May 25, 1938, he married Sarah Elizabeth Craft, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Charles Wilson of McDonald and Samuel Wilson of Imperial; a daughter, Margaret Radosovich of Hilton Head Island, S.C.; nine grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a daughter, Mary Griffith; and two sisters, Anne Alford and Ruth Margaret Wilson. WM

Helen Zitko

Member of St. Alphonsus Church, McDonald

Helen Zitko, 78, formerly of McDonald, died Friday, December 27, 2002, in her daughter's home in Escondido, Calif.

She was born May 6, 1924, in Washington County, a daughter of Walter and Alexandria Femovich.

Mrs. Zitko was a graduate of Midway High School and was a homemaker.

She was a member of St. Alphonsus Roman Catholic Church in McDonald and SNPJ.

Mrs. Zitko was a former scribe for *Prosveta* newspaper.

She enjoyed watching her granddaughter compete and win a national gold medal in figure skating.

On August 20, 1949, she married Edward Zitko, who died May 21, 1996.

Surviving are a daughter, Amy Hartman of Escondido; and a granddaughter, Victoria Hartman.

RR

Andrew F. Chilensky

Burgettstown High School senior played football

Andrew Frank Chilensky, 18, of Eldersville, died Friday, January 3, 2003, in his home.

He was born November 26, 1984, in Washington, a son of Frank III and Kibby Fish Chilensky of Eldersville.

He was a senior at Burgettstown High School, where he played on the football team.

Surviving, in addition to his parents, are a sister, Lydia Weinbrenner of Eldersville; his paternal grandmother, Mildred Chilensky of Burgettstown; his maternal grandmother, Mary Fish of Eldersville; a niece, Katelyn Weinbrenner; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Deceased are his paternal grandfather, Frank Chilensky Jr.; and his maternal grandfather, Keith Fish.

CP

Anna Yanosky

Westland native

Anna Yanosky, 84, of Las Vegas, Nev., formerly of Westland, died at 12:15 p.m. Sunday, December 22, 2002, in Valley Hospital, Las Vegas.

She was born July 23, 1918, in Westland, a daughter of Michael and Anna Wallo.

Mrs. Yanosky was a homemaker.

Surviving are two sons, Michael J. Yanosky of Canonsburg and Charles A. Yanosky of Las Vegas; a daughter, Anna Mae Sedlak of Slovan; nine grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are her husband, Charles Yanosky, who died November 15, 1953; two brothers, Mike and John Wallo; and a sister, Mary Semko.

A private blessing service was held Saturday, December 28, in Salandra Funeral Service, Canonsburg, with the Rev. Philip Przybyla, pastor of St. Patrick Roman Catholic Church, Canonsburg, officiating. Interment followed in St. Patrick Cemetery.

Guy Raymond

Retired United Airlines mechanic was Korean vet

Guy Raymond, 72, of Houston, died Sunday, January 5, 2003, in Washington Hospital following a brief illness.

He was born May 9, 1930, in Westland, a son of Samuel and Rose Muto Raymond.

Mr. Raymond was a graduate of Chartiers High School and Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics.

He retired from United Airlines, where he was a mechanic.

Mr. Raymond was a member of First United Methodist Church of Houston.

He was a veteran of the Korean War, serving with the U.S. Air Force. He was a member of American Legion Post 902 in Houston and Mantua (N.J.) Lodge 95 F&AM.

Mr. Raymond enjoyed gardening and cooking.

On March 1, 1958, he married Norma Jean Adams, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Laurie M. Liekar of Houston; a son, Samuel Raymond of Irwin; three grandchildren, Margaret (Meg) Liekar and Ashley and Abigail Raymond; two brothers, Louis Raymond of Houston and John Raymond of Strabane; and three sisters, Angeline Devine of Claymont, Del., Catherine Pritts of Strabane and Rose Marie Pochiba of Canonsburg.

A grandson, Joseph R. Liekar, is deceased.

Services and interment will be private. The family suggests memorial contributions be made to American Cancer Society. Arrangements are under the direction of McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., Houston.

Betty F. Chabassol

Member of American Legion, VFW ladies auxiliaries

Betty F. Chabassol, 85, of Washington, formerly of Canonsburg, died Monday, December 30, 2002, in Washington Hospital.

Born January 1, 1917, in Washington, she was a daughter of John and Mary Hanley Barnes.

Surviving are a son, Walter Haggerty of New York state; two daughters, Donna Haggerty of Canonsburg and Lynda Gallagher of Rhode Island; and several grandchildren.

Deceased are her husband, Charles T. Chabassol Sr., who died April 12, 2002; one son, Charles T. Chabassol Jr.; and one grandson, Ryan Chabassol.

OS

Dorothy B. Broemsen

W.Va. resident worked with Meals on Wheels

Dorothy B. Broemsen, 77, of Ruby Avenue, Wheeling, W.Va., died Wednesday, January 1, 2003, in Ohio Valley Medical Center, Wheeling.

She was born November 23, 1925, in Wheeling, a daughter of Lester and Lillie Hartley Blake.

Her husband, Harold A. Broemsen, died in 1992.

Surviving are a son, Lawrence R. Broemsen of Wheeling; a sister, Hazel Herbert of Wheeling; a brother, Cecil L. Blake of West Alexander; two grandchildren, Stacey Roysdon and Diana Broemsen; and a great-grandson.

Deceased are a daughter, Sandra Uram, who died in 2002; a grandson, Craig Uram, who died in 1996; a brother, Robert Blake; and two sisters, Margaret Hehr and Ruth Evans.

WA

Joseph Carman

Well-known rural mail carrier

Joseph Carman, 83, of West Alexander, died Wednesday, January 8, 2003, in his home, following a battle with cancer.

He was born December 31, 1919, in Montour, Washington County, a son of Joseph and Mary Stabile Carman.

Mr. Carman was Christian.

He was a veteran of World War II, serving served in the U.S. Army as a technical sergeant in the Pacific Theater, where he participated in the China-Burma-India Campaign.

Mr. Carman was fondly remembered by local residents as the rural mail carrier for West Alexander R.D.1 for 28 years, until his retirement in 1979.

He was a longtime farmer. On May 11, 1946, in St. Vincent dePaul Church, Elm Grove, W.Va., he married Elsie Magdich, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Joseph M. Carman of Corona, Calif., and Michael Carman of Gaithersburg, Md.; three daughters, Carol Purdy of Columbia, S.C., Lynne Horne of Casper, Wyo., and Trish Moss of West Alexander; a brother, David Carman of Pittsburgh; a sister, Mary Bohner of Washington; seven grandchildren, Teresa and Aaron Purdy, Joey and Tony Carman, Matthew and Allison Horne and Hilary Moss; two great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are three brothers, Frank, Charles and Robert Carman.

WA

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 self-employed 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.

Laura J. Dugan

Worked at John Dugan Insurance Agency



Laura J. Dugan, 54, of Beech Street, Washington, formerly of McKennan Avenue, died Wednesday,

January 8, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital after a lengthy illness.

She was born July 6, 1948, in Washington, a daughter of the late John N. and June E. Forney Dugan.

Miss Dugan was Methodist, a graduate of East Washington High School and attended Penn Commercial business school.

She worked at UPMC-Presbyterian hospital, Pittsburgh, for a brief time. For 12 years, she worked as a secretary for her father's business, John Dugan Insurance Agency.

Surviving are two sisters, her twin Linda Quinn of Poland, Ohio, and Janice Morrow of Washington, a brother, Dennis Dugan of Bridgeville; 10 nieces and nephews and three great-nieces and a great-nephew.

W

Anna E. Sheppard

Scenery Hill homemaker

Anna Elizabeth Sheppard, 75, of Scenery Hill, formerly of Canonsburg, died at 7:25 p.m. Sunday, January 5, 2003, in Canonsburg Hospital, following a two-year illness.

She was born March 3, 1927, in Washington, a daughter of Silas William and Erma Mae Glover Simms.

She was a homemaker, who enjoyed bingo and music.

In 1942, she married Donald David Sheppard, who died September 8, 1968.

Surviving are four sons, Donald D. Sheppard of Dallas, Ore., John B. Sheppard of Lincoln, Neb., Rodney T. Sheppard of Bentleyville and Randall V. Sheppard of Washington; four daughters, Carol A. Wood of Dallas, Ore., Sherry L. Moore and Anna C. Steede, both of Canonsburg, and Janice L. Steede of Scenery Hill; two brothers, William Alexander Simms and Lester Allen Simms, both of Washington; three sisters, Hazel M. Chapman, Clara Edith Mullins and Marlene Dale Marshall, all of Washington; 22 grandchildren; and 23 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, Charles Leonard Sheppard; a daughter, Sandra Salisbury; and two brothers, Jerry Leonard and Clinton Earl Simms. NB

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, Ill.; 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. MP

Andrew Matyuf

McGraw-Edison retiree served in Korean War

Andrew (Andy) Matyuf, 74, of Canonsburg, died at 9:15 a.m. Monday, January 6, 2003, in Tandem Health Care of North Strabane Township.

He was born October 24, 1928, in Canonsburg, a son of Louis and Tekla Majkovicz Matyuf.

Mr. Matyuf was a member of St. John the Baptist Orthodox Church in Canonsburg.

He was a 1947 graduate of Canonsburg High School and served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

Before retirement, Mr. Matyuf was a layout man in the insulation department at McGraw-Edison Power Systems Division in Canonsburg.

He was a member of Russian Brotherhood Organization of Canonsburg, where he served as trustee, auditor and secretary.

Mr. Matyuf was a member of American Legion Post 793 of Cecil.

On October 8, 1955, he married Grace M. Bell, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Louis A. Matyuf of Lawrence and Matthew L. Matyuf of Sterling, Va.; four sisters, Ann Kolarsky and Catherine O'Shinski, both of Canonsburg, Eve Paraschak of Alameda, Calif., and Dorothy Fedetz of Harrisburg; five grandchildren, Amanda, Anicia, Chrysa, Nicholas and Kyra Matyuf; and many nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two sisters, Mary Alteri and Helen Bushko; and two brothers who died in infancy. OS

Louis Augustine

Champion 1 retiree

Louis Augustine, 89, of McDonald, died Sunday, January 5, 2003, in his home.

He was born December 28, 1913, in Burgettstown, a son of Tony and Divina Pasqualini Augustine.

Mr. Augustine was a member of Calvary Presbyterian Church in McDonald, a life member of McDonald Rod and Gun Club, a member of Center United Presbyterian Church dartball team, Midway, and McDonald Meals on Wheels.

He retired as coal washer for Champion 1 preparation plant in McDonald.

On August 16, 1940, he married Margaret Richards, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Thomas Gary Augustine of Midway; two grandchildren, Scott and Robb Augustine; four great-grandchildren; a sister, Helen McCullough of Hookstown; and a brother, James Augustine of Canonsburg.

Deceased are a sister, Ida Funari; and three brothers, Frank, Ray and George Augustine. RR

Melvin H. Openbrower

World War II veteran from McDonald

Melvin Harry Openbrower, 78, of McDonald, died Wednesday, January 8, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born March 26, 1924, in McDonald, a son of Oliver Joseph and Rose Marie Poskin Openbrower.

Mr. Openbrower was a veteran of World War II, serving in the U.S. Army.

He worked for Universal Cyclops before retiring in 1977 after 29 years of service.

Mr. Openbrower was a member of First United Methodist Church in McDonald, McDonald American Legion Post 485 and South Fayette Senior Citizens.

He was a life member of McDonald Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 567 and LA-Solidarite Club in McDonald.

Mr. Openbrower worked part time as a bartender for McDonald Belgium Club.

He loved country-western bands.

On February 21, 1947, he married Elizabeth Maria Shirey, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Melvin H. (Sam) Openbrower Jr. of McDonald; three daughters, Cheryl Lee Green of Bridgeville, Bette Linkish of Midway and Lu Ann Roble of McDonald; 11 grandchildren, Melissa, Keith, Lonnie, Kristie, Samantha, Lisa, Carla, Kenneth, John, Jennifer, and Melanie; and nine great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a brother, Oliver Openbrier; and a great-grandchild. RR

Mary E. McClelland

Michigan resident born in Canonsburg

Mary E. "Bib" McClelland, 85, of Jackson, Mich., died Tuesday, January 7, 2003.

She was born in Canonsburg, a daughter of William and Mary Rankin.

Mrs. McClelland was a member of First Presbyterian Church of Jackson for more than 50 years and the Country Club of Jackson.

She enjoyed her grandchildren.

Surviving are her husband, William McClelland; a daughter, Pat Westerhof of Grand Haven, Mich.; a son, William Curtis McClelland of Ann Arbor, Mich.; four grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren; and a brother, Park Y. Rankin of Canonsburg.

Deceased are two brothers, William and Kenneth Rankin; and a sister, Mildred Gown.

CREMATION

Eileen R. Hewitt

Longtime Donegal Twp. resident enjoyed gardening

Eileen R. Clark Hewitt, 85, of Claysville, died at 5:55 a.m. Thursday, January 9, 2003, in her home, following a brief illness.

She was born September 6, 1917, in Donegal Township, Washington County, a daughter of Arthur and Mary L. Riggle Clark.

Mrs. Hewitt had been a resident of Donegal Township all her life.

She was a member of Claysville Christian Church.

Mrs. Hewitt and her late husband owned and operated a dairy farm for several years.

She enjoyed flower gardening and spending time with her grandchildren.

On April 7, 1934, she married Paul William Reed Hewitt, who died August 1, 1981.

Surviving are a daughter, Patricia E. Hewitt of Wheeling, W. Va.; three sons, Paul L., W. Randy and Douglas R. Hewitt, all of Claysville; two brothers, Harold L. Clark of Brownsville and Kenneth Clark of Claysville; eight grandchildren, Sherri Laird, Amy Seaman, Lisa Zaccone and Andrew, David, Jason, Travis and Heidi Hewitt; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two sisters, Mildred Clark and Florence Main; three brothers, Art Clark, who was killed in action during World War II, and Willis and Newton Clark; two grandchildren, Mark and Rebecca Hewitt; and two great-grandchildren. CL

Harry A. Smith

WWII veteran retired from Star Mould

Harry A. "Smitty" Smith, 77, of Washington, died Monday, January 6, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

He was born November 1, 1925, in Gallagher, W. Va., a son of Michael and Hallie Edens Smith.

Mr. Smith worked for Washington Co. until its closing and retired from Star Mould in Washington.

During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army and received a Purple Heart for injuries sustained in the European Theater.

On December 23, 1945, in Jefferson Avenue Methodist Church, Washington, he married Margaret McCullough, who survives and with whom he celebrated 57 years of marriage.

Also surviving are two daughters, Sandra Birner of Nashville, Tenn., and Wendy Marino of Canonsburg; two sons, Blaine Smith of Washington and Mark Smith of Venetia; nine grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

A brother, Charles A. Smith, is deceased. NB

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.

Gerald Ramsey

Burgettstown man was
umpire school graduate

Gerald Ramsey, 50, of Burgettstown, died Thursday, January 16, 2003, in Weirton (W. Va.) Medical Center.

He was born May 8, 1952, in Burgettstown, a son of Jennie Repole Ramsey of Burgettstown and the late Donald James Ramsey.

Mr. Ramsey was a graduate of Burgettstown High School and a 1973 graduate of Al Summers School for Umpires in Daytona Beach, Fla.

He was a grade school star athlete in baseball and football, and was a member of Upper Ohio Valley Barbershoppers.

A brother, Bernard Repole Ramsey, is deceased. **F**

Vera P. McLaughlin

Served as nurse during
WWII and Korean War

Vera P. McLaughlin, 81, of Primrose, died Thursday, January 9, 2003, in her home.

She was born January 4, 1922, a daughter of Fortuan and Mary Sray Machek.

Mrs. McLaughlin was a member of St. Ann Roman Catholic Church, Bulger.

She attended Mercy School of Nursing and served in the U.S. Navy Nurse Corps during World War II. She was recalled to active duty during the Korean War.

Her husband, John R. McLaughlin, died in 1988.

Surviving are two sons, Brian of Philadelphia and Gregory of McDonald; two daughters, Mary F. Brown of Germany and Roseanne McDermott of McKeesport; four grandchildren, Emilee, Veronica, Lisa and John; a brother, Ferd Machek of McDonald; a sister, Violet Uliana of Bethlehem; and numerous nieces and nephews.

At the request of the deceased, visitation was private, with Thomas-Little Funeral Service Inc., Midway, in charge of arrangements.

Marjorie E. Roney

Member of Claysville
Presbyterian Church



Marjorie E. Roney, 82, of Birch Street, Claysville, died Saturday, January 11, 2003, in Washington Hospital after a

six-month illness.

She was born January 28, 1920, in Washington, a daughter of Thomas J. and Harriett Lindley Hughes.

Mrs. Roney was a homemaker and a member of Claysville Presbyterian Church.

On August 23, 1939, she married Paul Glenn "Bud" Roney, who died November 11, 1984.

Surviving are a daughter, Carole Vanderhoof of Claysville; a son, James G. Roney of Buffalo Village; two brothers, Dudley Hughes of Washington and the Rev. Thomas Hughes of Taylorstown; a sister, Dorothy Trautman of Washington; five granddaughters, Laura and Amy Shaner, Melissa Novak, Trudy Roney and Vicki Hixenbaugh; nine great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two sisters, Mildred Hughes and Eileen Leppert; and a great-grandson. **CL**

JoAnne Turner Wade

Case manager for Mon
Yough Family Services

JoAnne Turner Wade, 60, of Library, formerly of McDonald, died Saturday, January 11, 2003, in St. Clair Hospital, Mt. Lebanon.

She was born July 26, 1942, in Pittsburgh, a daughter of the late Luther and Maebelle Hackley Turner.

She was a 1960 graduate of Fort Cherry High School and became an licensed practical nurse in 1969. She was a 1985 graduate of Community College of Allegheny County, where she received her social work certificate, and she received her bachelor's of science degree in human resource management from Geneva College in 1995.

During the 1970s, she was employed by West Allegheny Hospital as a nurse. In the mid-'80s, she worked at Woodville State Hospital. From the late '80s to the early '90s, she worked at Neighborhood Centers in the North Side. For the last 10 years, she was a case manager for Mon Yough Family Services, McKeesport.

She was a member of First Baptist Church, McDonald, where she was a member of Celestral Church Choir.

She enjoyed bowling. Surviving are a daughter, Sydnee Turner of Green Tree; a son, Justin Wade of the Oakland section of Pittsburgh; and two sisters, Sharon Turner of McDonald and Sondra Turner of Green Tree. **RR**

Rosemary Rupert

Hickory woman was
hostess for U.S. Senate

Rosemary (Rosie) Rupert, 76, of Ridge Road, Hickory, died Monday, January 13, 2003, in her home.

She was born November 17, 1926, in Francis Mine, a daughter of Joseph and Mary Murdock Lesko.

Mrs. Rupert was Catholic.

At one time, she was a beautician and a hostess for the U.S. Senate.

She enjoyed cooking and craftwork.

On September 4, 1954, she married John O. Rupert, who survives.

Also surviving is a son, David Rupert of New York.

Mrs. Rupert was the last of her immediate family.

Deceased are three brothers, John, George and Michael Lesko; and four sisters, Pauline Hallam, Ann Stewart, Helen Allison and May Jima.

Mary Roberta Henry

Connecticut woman born
in Washington

Mary Roberta Jane Henry, 50, of Danielson, Conn., died at 7:45 p.m. Saturday, January 4, 2003, in Douglas Manor Nursing Home in Windham, Conn., following a 22-month bout with cancer.

She was born November 22, 1952, in Washington, a daughter of Ada Louise Gardner Collum of East Killingly, Conn., and the late Robert Reynolds Henry.

Mrs. Henry was a 1971 graduate of Killingly High School and was employed by Loos and Co. in Connecticut.

She was a member of Union Baptist Church of East Killingly.

Mrs. Henry was an active member of the Ladies Auxiliary of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4908 in East Killingly and enjoyed crafting, traveling and spending time with her family.

Her companion was Dennis Courtemanche of East Killingly.

Surviving, in addition to her mother, are a daughter, Mary Jane Lamphere of South Killingly, Conn.; two sisters, Linda Robillard of East Killingly and Bobby Jo Henry of Louisville, Ky.; stepmother, Barbara Henry of Louisville; stepfather, Alvin Collum of East Killingly; two grandchildren, Kaci and Adam Cacciapuoti; two stepbrothers; three stepsisters; and several nieces and nephews.

An aunt is deceased. **CL**

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 great-grandchildren; 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. **OS**

Evelyn M. Komar

Former Strabane resident served in DA's office

Evelyn M. Komar, 87 of Lutherville, Md., formerly of Strabane, died at 6:05 p.m. Monday, January 6, 2003, in Gilchrist Center, Towson, Md.

She was born February 7, 1915, in Strabane, a daughter of Joseph and Josephine Kompore Ambross.

While living in Canonsburg, Mrs. Komar was a member of First Presbyterian Church and in Lutherville was a member of Lutherville Presbyterian Church.

She attend Trinity High School for three years and was a 1934 graduate of Canonsburg High School.

Mrs. Komar was a homemaker and a member of SNPJ Lodge 138 of Strabane.

In her younger years, she was a talented pianist who played in a local orchestra.

Mrs. Komar served as a private secretary for the Washington County district attorney's office.

She was a world traveler who accompanied her husband as an IBM executive to Frankfurt, Germany, and Paris, France.

On June 30, 1949, she married Andrew Komar, who died November 25, 2000.

Surviving are a daughter Janice Komar of Lutherville, Md.; a sister, Edbina R. Marple of Mt. Lebanon; three nieces, Josephine Davis, Dr. Evelyn Talbott and Sarah Anderson; and a nephew, Frank O'Shinsky.

Deceased are two sisters, Josephine O'Shinsky and Cirila DuBois. OS

Betty Jane Gordon

Yeager Transportation employee from Avella

Betty Jane Gordon, 60, of Avella, died at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 14, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington.

She was born December 3, 1942, in Atlasburg, a daughter of the late Albert and Rosie K. Nance Prevost.

Mrs. Gordon was a member of Avella Presbyterian Church.

On March 3, 1962, she married David L. Gordon Sr., who died December 23, 1999.

Surviving are two daughters, Lisa J. Kirschner of Avella and Susan L. Agbunag of Goose Creek, S.C.; two sons, David L. Gordon Jr. of West Finley and Thomas J. Gordon of Eighty Four; four grandchildren; two brothers, Philip Prevost of Graysville and Charles Prevost of Avella; and four sisters, Wanda Powers, Gertrude Reed, Anne Grennell and Linda Pierson, all of Avella.

Deceased are two brothers, Albert J. and Thomas Prevost; and a sister, Marceline Hopkins. I

William J. Moore

Trustee at Claysville United Methodist Church



William J. Moore, 68, of Claysville, died unexpectedly at 11:45 a.m. Thursday, January 9, 2003, in his home.

He was born October 1, 1934, in Washington, a son of John P. and Blanche Irene Porter Moore.

Since 1960, Mr. Moore was a resident of Claysville, where he was a member and, at the time of his death, was serving as trustee of Claysville United Methodist Church.

He had coached youth wrestling for several years in Claysville and was a member of BPOE Lodge 776 of Washington.

Mr. Moore was a member of Air Force Reserves 375 Troop Carrier Wing and a peacetime veteran with the U.S. Marine Corps as a private with the 10th Division at Camp Lejeune, N.C., Prior to retiring Oct. 31, 1996, he was employed by Allegheny Ludlum (Jessop) in Washington for 33 years as a bar mill grinder.

On August 17, 1957, he married Carol Ann Lutes, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Jeffrey W. Moore of Seal Beach, Calif.; a daughter, Kimberly Lynn MacBeth of Claysville; two brothers, James L. and Craig L.D. Moore, both of Claysville; a sister, Joyce Naylor of Eighty Four; and two grandchildren, Brandon and Andrew MacBeth.

Deceased are two brothers, Robert and Kenneth Moore. CL

Nathan A. Quader

2002 graduate of Avella High School

Nathan Anthony Quader, 19, of Burgettstown, died Tuesday, January 14, 2003, in his home.

He was born December 30, 1983, in Weirton, W. Va., a son of Ronald and Diane Shore Quader of Burgettstown.

Mr. Quader was employed at Wal-Mart in Robinson Township.

He was a 2002 graduate of Avella High School, where he participated in football, basketball and as a drummer in the school band. He also assisted with computer networking.

Mr. Quader was a member of Berean Fellowship Church in Bridgeville.

Surviving, in addition to her parents, are three sisters, Errone Elizabeth Cody of Atlasburg, Nicole Leigh Quader of Boynton Beach, Fla., and Alexis Quader at home; maternal grandparents, Edward and Betty Bertovich Shore of Atlasburg; and paternal grandparents, Kathryn (Dolly) Puskarich Quader of Atlasburg.

Her paternal grandfather, Anthony Quader, is deceased. WP

Terry Wayne Jackson

Owner of Terry's Lounge in Washington



Terry Wayne Jackson, 58, of Washington, died at 11:20 p.m. Monday, January 13, 2003, in UPMC-Presbyterian hospital,

Pittsburgh, following a brief illness.

He was born February 13, 1944, in Washington, a son of the late William Wayne and Nellie Ruth Henderson Jackson.

He was the owner/operator of Terry's Lounge in Washington.

Mr. Jackson was a 1962 graduate of McGuffey High School.

On July 23, 1999, he married Linda Lou Naylor, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Michael Jackson of Washington; a daughter, Susan Elizabeth Jackson of Washington; a stepdaughter, Melissa Phillips of Waynesburg; three brothers, James L., William Eugene and Randy E. Jackson, all of Washington; two sisters, Patty Jackson Wise of Claysville and Peggy Naser of Washington; two step-grandchildren, Michaela and Selina Phillips; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Deceased is a sister, Nancy Napolitan. NB

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.

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 Weaver and Darlene Elliott, all of Washington; 23 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; and a great-great 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. NB

Kathryn M. Griffith

Former member of First United Presbyterian Church

Kathryn M. Griffith, 93, of Pleasant Gap, formerly of Chartiers Township, died Wednesday, January 15, 2003, in Centre Community Hospital, State College.

She was born August 4, 1909, in North Strabane Township, a daughter of Clyde A. and Minnie Rassel Manes.

Mrs. Griffith was a former member of First United Presbyterian Church, Houston,

On September 23, 1933, she married William P. Griffith, who died March 10, 1988.

Surviving are a daughter, Gail Daum of State College; six grandchildren, Mary Kay Griffith Hewitt, Kris Griffith Floyd, William P. Griffith III, Alan Daum, Debra Daum Thunberg and Karen Daum Peoples; 10 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, William P. Griffith Jr.; and four brothers, Lloyd, Joseph, Alvin and Howard Manes. OS

Josephine Shandik

Glass club past president from McDonald

Josephine Shandik, 60, of McDonald, Robinson Township, died Saturday, January 18, 2003, in St. Clair Hospital, Mt. Lebanon.

She was born December 3, 1942, a daughter of the late Camille and Louise DeBlander Alexander.

Mrs. Shandik was an administrative assistant at Bayer Corp.

On April 25, 1964, she married Raymond Shandik, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Teresa L. Vododian of Canonsburg; three sisters, Marie Phillips of Sturgeon, Irene Libert of Washington and Linda Barefoot of North Carolina; and a brother, Fred Alexander of West Virginia.

Deceased are a brother, Camille Alexander Jr.; and a sister, Joan Greza. RR

Justin Aber Curran

Bureau of Employment
Security retiree

Justin Aber Curran, 82, of Myrtle Beach, S.C., formerly of Washington, died Saturday, January 18, 2003, in Grand Strand Regional Medical Center in South Carolina.

He was born February 15, 1920, in Washington, a son of John and Ethel Aber Curran.

Mr. Curran retired from the Bureau of Employment Security in Washington.

He attended Duquesne University and Carnegie Institute of Technology.

Mr. Curran served with the 1st Infantry Division in the European Theater, participating in the Rhineland and Central European campaigns, receiving the Purple Heart.

Mr. Curran was Catholic, a musician and a member of the American Legion.

Surviving are his wife, Esther J. Curran, two daughters; Debra Eisert of Lancaster, Ohio, and Patricia Ann McDaid of Myrtle Beach; two brothers, Cornelius Curran of Hickory and John Curran of Canonsburg; six grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Two sons, John Jeffrey and Edward Loomis Curran, are deceased.

Immaculate Conception Cem.

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 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, John Edward Jancart; a brother, Joseph Jancart; and a sister, Adeline Morris.

MP

Sara L. Welsh

Bulger native



Sara L. Welsh, 88, of Wooster, Ohio, died Thursday, January 16, 2003, in Horn Nursing Center, Wooster.

She was born June 15, 1914, in Bulger, a daughter of Hugh and Lillian Hermes Deer.

Mrs. Welsh was a member of Wayne Presbyterian Church and was past worthy matron of Order of Eastern Star.

She enjoyed crocheting and history.

Surviving are a daughter, Sally Abbott of Wooster; a son, Edward S. Welsh II of Hopwood; four grandchildren; one great-grandchild; a brother, David Deer of Jamestown; and two sisters, Wilma Nourigat of Midway and Margaret Williams of Foley, Ala.

A sister, Ellen Adams, died in 2002.

Madelyn F. Zimmerman

Hickory woman formerly
of Crafton Heights

Madelyn F. Zimmerman, 64, of Hickory, formerly of Crafton Heights, died Saturday, January 25, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born July 12, 1938, in Pittsburgh, a daughter of the late James F. and Madelyn A. Auen Rice.

On February 15, 1958, she married Preston Zimmerman, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, James Zimmerman of Waynesburg, Jeffrey Zimmerman of Hickory and Matthew Zimmerman of Robinson; seven grandchildren, Michael, Alan, Reilly, Sarra, Kayleigh, Noah and Brendan; and a sister, Elizabeth Pruitt.

MP

Marjorie G. Sickles

Eighty Four resident
enjoyed writing poetry



Marjorie G. "Nanny" Carroll Sickles, 87, of Eighty Four, died Friday, January 17, 2003, in her home.

She was born November 11, 1915, in California, a daughter of James and Laura Gillingham Carroll.

Mrs. Sickles was an author who enjoyed writing poetry and children's books.

Surviving are three daughters, Virginia Dellorso, Betty Sanders and Gladys Miller, all of Eighty Four; 10 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are her husband, James E. "Pappy" Sickles, who died June 30, 1985; a daughter, Laura Elish; and four sisters, Helen Crow, Virginia Marchand, Mary Carroll and Jean Trimble.

OS

Cephas S. Mounts

Buffalo supervisor active
at Taylorstown church



Cephas Stanley Mounts, 87, of Claysville (Buffalo Township), died at 1 p.m. Wednesday, January 22, 2003,

in Presbyterian Medical Center, Washington.

He was born March 12, 1915, in Claysville, a son of William H. and Sylvia J. Scott Mounts.

He attended Highland School and was employed as a driller and plumper in oil fields. He was known locally for shearing sheep.

Mr. Mounts was a supervisor for Buffalo township for 38 years, and served as a Buffalo Township school board member.

He was previously married to Catherine Byers, who is deceased.

On April 14, 1938, in Washington County, he married Ruth E. Ashmore, who survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Emma Jayne Rush of Claysville and Carolyn Ruth Penn and Nancy Lee Devenney, both of Washington; two brothers, Sherman and Ronald Dean Mounts; two sisters, Louise Breese and Martha Rhinehart; nine grandchildren, Shaun Rusmisl Jr., John F. Penn III, Caren Shadeck, Nancy Engle, Elizabeth Cox, Jennifer Rush and John Jr., Jay and Jeff Devenney; 16 great-grandchildren; and three stepgreat-grandchildren.

Deceased are three brothers, William, Melvin and Charles Mounts; and a sister, Mildred Applegate.

CL

John F. McMurray

West Alexander farmer was
fair board superintendent

John F. McMurray, 85, of West Alexander R.D.2, died unexpectedly at 9:55 a.m. Saturday, January 18, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

He was born March 17, 1917, in Donegal Township, a son of James Wendell and Leonora E. Muldoon McMurray, and was the fifth generation to reside on the family farm.

Mr. McMurray was a member of West Alexander Presbyterian Church, where he formerly served as elder, trustee and Sunday school superintendent.

He was a 1935 graduate of West Alexander High School.

Mr. McMurray had been a self-employed farmer all his life. He and his brother owned and operated a dairy from 1951 until 1984, and he continued farming as long as his health permitted.

Mr. McMurray had formerly served as auditor for Donegal Township for more than 30 years.

On June 17, 1943, he married Dorothy E. Kiger, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, John F. McMurray Jr. of Eighty Four and James K. McMurray of West Alexander R.D.2; five grandchildren, Justin, Jonathan, Adam, Ryan and Marissa McMurray; and two great-grandchildren.

A brother, J. Kenneth (Tony) McMurray, died January 26, 1995.

Mr. McMurray was the last of his immediate family.

WA

Donald A. Sella Sr.

Florida mechanic
born in Independence

Donald A. Sella Sr., 66, of Jacksonville, Fla., died Sunday, January 19, 2003, in Jacksonville.

He was born February 12, 1936, in Independence Township, a son of James and Elizabeth Belle Robison Sella.

Mr. Sella was a resident of Jacksonville since 1991 and was a heavy duty mechanic with Underground Contractors of St. Marv's, Ga.

He was Presbyterian.

Surviving are his wife, Harriett E. Reedy Sella; a son, Donald A. Sella Jr. of Jacksonville; three daughters, Denise A. Killmeyer and Sherri Sella, both of Jacksonville, and Lisa E. Hamilton of Wellsburg, W. Va.; two sisters, Kathleen Carte of Wellsburg and Jennie Sella Parrish of Bloomingdale, Ohio; a brother, James S. Sella of Avella; seven grandchildren, Liza Shaw, Teresa, Michelle and Terry Killmeyer Jr. and Bill, Ashley and Alfred "A.J." Hamilton; and a great-granddaughter.

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Wayne H. Moten

Weirton Steel retiree was Korean War veteran

Wayne H. Moten, 74, of Avella, died at 9:55 a.m. Sunday, January 26, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

He was born February 29, 1928, in Rea, a son of Phillip Louis and Bertha Patterson Moten.

Mr. Moten, a graduate of Hickory High School, was employed by Weirton Steel Corp. for 22 years before retiring in 1990.

During the Korean War, he served as a U.S. Army corporal in the 5th Armored Infantry Tank Division.

On April 3, 1951, he married Evonne J. Oliver, who died September 26, 1989.

Surviving are a son, Gregory A. Moten of Akron, Ohio; three brothers, John Moten of Rea and Warren and Roy Moten, both of Washington; seven grandchildren, Carmena, Yvette, Erika, Robert, Candra, Gregory Jr. and Wayne III; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, Wayne H. Moten Jr.; four sisters, Edith Patterson, Ruth Dempster, Montie Catlin and Lucille Moten; and two brothers, Howard and Phillip Moten.

WM

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 1949 graduate of Hickory High School and a member of Cross Creek United Presbyterian Church, where she was the organist for the last 60 years.

On June 20, 1953, in Cross Creek United Presbyterian Church, she married Wilford Lee Rankin, who survives.

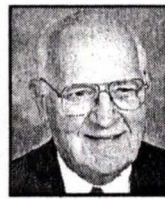
Also surviving are her stepmother, Viola McCreary of South Carolina; two daughters, Barbara M. Rankin of Cross Creek and Jil Rankin Zynosky of Cross Creek; a son, Rodney J. Rankin of Acme; three grandchildren, Jason L. Rankin, Lisa Rankin Cerciello and Corey N. McConn; a great-grandson; and a stepbrother, Lucien Johnson of South Carolina.

Deceased are a daughter, Deborah Rankin McConn; and a brother, Raymond McCreary.

CC

Park Y. Rankin

Hardy and Rankin Co. owner



Park Y. Rankin, 89, of Canonsburg, died unexpectedly Saturday, January 25, 2003.

He was born January 17, 1914, in Canonsburg, a

son of William and Mary Elizabeth Young Rankin.

Mr. Rankin was owner and president of Hardy and Rankin Co. of Canonsburg and Moninger Realty of Houston.

Mr. Rankin was an active member of Canonsburg United Presbyterian Church (the former First Presbyterian Church of Canonsburg) and served on the session for more than 50 years.

He was a World War II veteran who served in the Pacific as an officer in Navy Construction Battalion.

On June 10, 1939, he married Marguerite Yates, who died June 16, 1992.

Surviving are two daughters, Mary Jo Bethem of Akron, Ohio, and Carole A. Richardson of Rochester, Minn.; a son, Park Lawrence Rankin of Mt. Lebanon; seven grandchildren, Tucker, Zachary and Courtney Bethem, Katie and Eric Richardson and David and Sean Rankin.

Deceased are two brothers, Kenneth and William Rankin; and two sisters, Elizabeth McClelland and Mildred Gowern.

OS

Shane A. Morris

Former Mapletown High School wrestling coach

Shane Austin Morris, 56, of Carmichaels, died at 5:50 p.m. Wednesday, January 22, 2003, in Carmichaels, following a lengthy illness.

He was born October 28, 1946, in Waynesburg, a son of the late E. Harold "Ace" and Dorothy May Temple Morris.

Mr. Morris was a 1964 graduate of Waynesburg High School.

He worked in the parts department of Sun Chevrolet in McMurray and previously worked in the parts department of Bortz Chevrolet and Haney Oldsmobile, both in Waynesburg.

Mr. Morris was the drummer in Morris Brothers Band.

He was a former wrestling coach at Mapletown High School and also had coached youth baseball and wrestling.

Mr. Morris served as a U.S. Navy hospital corpsman in Vietnam. He received the Silver Star for administering aid to wounded U.S. Marines during a battle in which he was seriously wounded.

Surviving are a son, Eric Morris of Abingdon, Md.; two stepdaughters, Carrie Arbogast and Nicole Janco, both of Waynesburg; three stepgrandchildren, Robi Arbogast and Preston and Kennedy Janco; two sisters, Dena B. Shultz and Terry Orrahood, both of Waynesburg; and a brother, Michael Morris of Waynesburg.

Deceased is a brother, H. Donovan Morris.

Morris Family Cemetery.

Mildred Yamber

Owned Burgettstown hotel

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 Bongiorno and Hannah Pollana.

Our Lady of Lourdes

William N. McClelland

Michigan power company retiree born in Canonsburg

William N. McClelland, 89, of Jackson, Mich., died Sunday, January 26, 2003.

He was born in Canonsburg, a son of Curtis and Myrtle McClelland.

Mr. McClelland was a member of First Presbyterian Church in Jackson for more than 50 years.

He retired from Consumers Power Co. after 29 years of service.

Mr. McClelland was a member of the Country Club of Jackson and Jackson Duplicate Bridge Club.

His wife, Mary McClelland, died January 7, 2003.

Surviving are a daughter, Pat Westerhof of Grand Haven, Mich.; a son, William Curtis McClelland of Ann Arbor, Mich.; four grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and a brother, Arthur E. McClelland of Wooster, Ohio.

Deceased are two brothers, Jess W. of Wheeling, W. Va., and Kenneth C. of Canonsburg; and a sister, Ethel Isiminger of Charleroi.

At the request of the deceased, cremation has taken place.

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Paul Eugene McDonnell

Ohio welder was U.S. Army veteran

Paul Eugene McDonnell, 57, of Bridgeport, Ohio, died Wednesday, January 29, 2003, in East Ohio Regional Hospital, Martins Ferry, Ohio.

He was born March 21, 1945, in Burton, W. Va., a son of Frank and Jelemma Wise McDonnell.

His fiancé was Sandra Wines of Bridgeport, Ohio.

Surviving are three sons, Paul Jr. and Joseph McDonnell, both of Martins Ferry, and Matthew McDonnell of St. Clairsville, Ohio; a daughter, Cheryl Freez of Martins Ferry; three stepsons, James Lucas of Shadyside, Ohio, Timothy Lucas of Morristown, Ohio, and Roger Wines Jr. of Bellaire, Ohio; two

stepdaughters, Tina Smith of Quaker City, Ohio, and Shirley Wines of Lore City, Ohio; two brothers, Archie McDonnell of McDonald and Steve McDonnell of Troy, Ill.; four sisters, Loretta Watson, Julia Vanderhoff and Mary Reid, all of Claysville, and Violet Morrison of Beloit, Ohio; 12 grandchildren; 10 stepgrandchildren; a stepgreat-grandchild; and several nieces and nephews.

A brother, Isaac McDonnell, is deceased.

V

Denise Klink

1937 McDonald graduate enjoyed bingo

Denise Klink, 83, of McDonald, died Wednesday, January 29, 2003, in Mercy Hospital, Pittsburgh.

She was born October 24, 1919, in McDonald, a daughter of Harry and Marie Descamp Dufresne.

Mrs. Klink was a 1937 graduate of McDonald High School.

She enjoyed playing bingo and cleaning houses.

Her husband, Thomas Francis Klink, died in November 1968.

Surviving are a son, Carl Klink of Sturgeon; six daughters, Janice Bulgar of Arnold, Florence Pooley of Weirton, W. Va., Joyce Roth of McDonald, Nancy Klink of Bridgeville, Denise Bresnay of Oakdale and Sherri Lenhart of McDonald; 13 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, Bobby Klink; and a brother, Ferdinand Dufresne.

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Bette J. McCool

Member of Washington Garden Club

Bette J. McCool, 86, of Washington, died Tuesday, January 28, 2003, in Washington Hospital following a brief illness.

She was born February 17, 1916, in Mt. Pleasant Township, a daughter of John E. and Mary Ann Cook Brown.

Mrs. McCool was a 1934 graduate of Hickory High School and attended Waynesburg College.

She was a member of Current Events Club and Washington Garden Club and enjoyed gardening and flowers.

On September 25, 1941, she married William A. McCool, who survives.

Deceased are five brothers, John C., William A., Robert M., David E. and Richard W. Brown; and two sisters; Mary Hoop and Isabel Amreihn.

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McCool - At the request of the deceased, there will be no public visitation for Bette J. McCool of Washington, who died Tuesday, January 28, 2003. Services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, January 30, in Serenity Chapel Mausoleum at Washington Cemetery, with Pastor Gary Gibson officiating. Entombment will follow. The family requests memorial donations be made to Current Events Club, 49 South Wade Avenue, Washington, PA 15301; or Faith United Presbyterian Church, 97 East Chestnut Street, Washington, PA 15301. Arrangements are under the direction of William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd. Additional information and guestbook are on-line at www.NealFuneralHome.com.

Arthur McClelland

Former Canonsburg resident, 3rd degree Mason

Arthur McClelland, 85, formerly of Moundsville, W. Va., died Monday, January 27, 2003, in West View Manor, Wooster, Ohio.

He was born April 28, 1917, in Canonsburg, a son of Curtis E. and Myrtle McConnell McClelland.

Mr. McClelland was a retired employee of Whirlpool Products.

He was a third degree Mason in Canonsburg and a thirty-second degree Mason in Pittsburgh.

Mr. McClelland was a Protestant.

Mr. McClelland was a veteran of World War II, serving in the U.S. Army, where he received a Purple Heart and three Bronze Stars.

His wife, Lena E. McLhinney McClelland, is deceased.

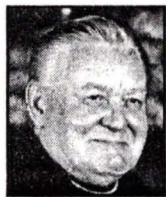
Surviving are a daughter, Linda Crouch of Wooster; a granddaughter, Holly Lantis of Wooster; and a great-grandson.

Deceased are three brothers, Jess C., Kenneth and William McClelland; and a sister, Ethel T. Isminger.

Halcyon Hills Memorial Park Mausoleum, Sherrard, W. Va.

Harry W. Moore

Retired steelworker for Bowman-Cyclops



Harry W. "Zeke" Moore, 75, of South Franklin Township, died at 11:30 p.m. Monday, January 27, 2003, in Kade's Nursing Home,

Washington, following a lengthy illness.

He was born September 30, 1927, in Washington County, a son of Thomas and Cora Caldwell Moore.

Mr. Moore retired as a steelworker for Bowman-Cyclops with 33 years of service.

He was a member of Calvary Temple in Washington.

Mr. Moore enjoyed gardening, playing horseshoes and Cinch.

On July 16, 1946, he married Juanita Roupe, who survives.

Also surviving are four sons, Harry and Ralph Moore, both of Prosperity, and Thomas and Dempsey Moore, both of Washington; two daughters, Marilyn Plants and Juanita Rozzo, both of Washington; two brothers, Dempsey Moore of Ohio and Edward Moore of Marianna; seven sisters, Anna Mull of Canonsburg, Dorothy Scott of Tennessee, Rose Farren of Ohio, Helen Main of Bentleyville, Mabel Cross of Scenery Hill and Mary Medlen and Grace Kiskadden, both of Washington; 21 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two brothers, Edgar and Thomas Moore; and a sister, Nancy Burgess.

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Emma J. Smith

Mayview psychiatric aide from McDonald

Emma J. (Emmy) Smith, 59, of McDonald, died Tuesday, January 28, 2003, in West Penn Hospital, Pittsburgh.

She was born May 1, 1943, in Pittsburgh, a daughter of Gazella Kolesar Gallo of Oakdale and the late John Gallo.

Mrs. Smith was a member of Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church in Oakdale.

She was a 1961 graduate of West Allegheny High School and worked as a psychiatric aide at Mayview State Hospital for 20 years.

On December 27, 1960, she married Edwin L. Smith, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Daniel Brian Smith of Lower Burrell; two daughters, Tammy Renee Duryea of Port Orchard, Wash., and Kimberly Louise Smith of Brownsville; a sister, Diane Lass of Colorado Springs, Colo.; and six grandchildren, Megan, Anthony, Brian, Jonathan, Joshua and Madison.

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Helene B. Stafford

Centenarian formerly of Burgettstown

Helene B. Stafford, 101, of Dallas, died Wednesday, January 29, 2003, in Meadows Nursing Center, Dallas, where she had been a resident since April 1997.

She previously lived in Stuart, Fla., Burgettstown and in Heritage House, Wilkes-Barre.

She was born February 28, 1901, in Midway, a daughter of Charles Robert and Christina Ballard.

Mrs. Stafford was twice married. Her first husband, Charles Warren Tope, and her second husband, Charles Warner Stafford, are deceased.

Surviving are a son, Charles W. Tope of Aiken, S.C.; 10 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren; a stepson, John W. Stafford of Senatobia, Miss.; three stepdaughters, Ruth J. Duesing of Leesburg, Fla., Marion A. Springer of Inverness, Fla., and Helen L. Holschuh of Hilton Head, S.C.; 12 stepgrandchildren, 20 stepgreat-grandchildren and 13 stepgreat-great-grandchildren.

Deceased are her twin sister, Margaret Kraeer; a daughter, Doris McCain; a son, Donald R. Tope; a grandson, Warren Tope; and a stepdaughter, Nancy DiGioia.

There will be no viewing or service. Mrs. Stafford's remains will be cremated and interred in Raccoon United Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Candor.

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Helen M. Pantuso

Retired home economics teacher

Helen Marie Fini Pantuso, 61, of McDonald, died Friday, January 31, 2003, in her home.

She was born June 26, 1941, in McDonald, a daughter of the late Adelmo and Helen Devine Fini.

Mrs. Pantuso was a lifelong resident of McDonald and a retired home economics teacher in Chartiers Valley and Fort Cherry school districts.

She was a 1959 graduate of McDonald High School and a 1963 graduate of Mt. Mercy College (Carlow College).

Mrs. Pantuso was a member of St. Alphonsus Roman Catholic Church, McDonald.

On November 25, 1964, she married Robert (Bob) Pantuso, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Beth Pantuso Williams of Kentucky and Tina Pantuso of McDonald; a brother, Del Fini of McDonald; a granddaughter, Gabriella Williams; and several nieces and nephews.

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Thelma Dean Smith

Avella homemaker and farmer

Thelma Dean Miller Smith, 90, of Avella, died Friday, January 31, 2003, in her home, following a 5½-year illness.

She was born December 16, 1912, in West Alexander, a daughter of Edgar R. and Hazel D. McVay.

Mrs. Smith was a homemaker and self-employed farmer throughout her life.

She was a graduate of McMillan School, and attended both Dutch Fork Christian and West Middletown Christian churches.

In June 1933, she married Curtis Smith, who died November 29, 1980.

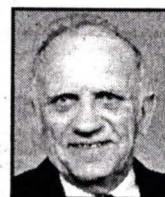
Surviving are three sons, Curtis G. Smith of Warren, Ohio, Daniel P. Smith of Bradville, Tenn., and David G. Smith of Avella, with whom she made her home; two brothers, Edgar Miller of Washington and James Miller of Claysville; two sisters, Opal Smith of Wheeling, W. Va., and Hazel Fulks of Ukiah, Calif.; nine grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, James A. Smith; a sister, Pearl Miller; and a brother, Raymond Miller.

No public visitation will be held. Services will be private and held at the convenience of the family. Interment will be in West Alexander Cemetery.

Clarence W. Wilson

U.S. Navy veteran



Clarence W. Wilson, 73, of Washington, died Saturday, February 1, 2003, following a brief illness.

He was born January 7, 1930, in Claysville, a son of J. Alfred and Virginia Irene Craig Wilson.

Mr. Wilson was a member of Laboratory Presbyterian Church.

He attended Trinity High School and retired in 1991 from Molycorp Inc.

Mr. Wilson served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War

On January 23, 1959, in Laboratory Presbyterian Church, he married Carole Amon, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Robert R. Wilson of Washington; a daughter, Colette I. Phillips; two grandchildren, Jimmy Jr. and Zackary Maier; four stepgrandchildren, Missy Dryer, Amy Dzurko, Josh Presto and Zachary Gault; two stepgreat-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, Donald and Robert Wilson.

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Anne C. Canfield

Artist painted flowers
on china

Anne Cummins Canfield, 94, of Belmont, Calif., formerly of Washington, died Tuesday, January 21, 2003, in Belmont, following a two-year illness.

She was born September 9, 1908, in Washington, a daughter of Albert and Jeanette Thompson Cummins.

Mrs. Canfield was a former cashier at the *San Francisco Chronicle*.

She was an artist known for floral painting on china.

Mrs. Canfield was a former member of Allison Avenue Baptist Church in Washington, and a member of Order of Eastern Star, where she held many offices.

On February 10, 1925, she married Everett G. Canfield, who died October 28, 1980.

Mrs. Canfield was the last of her immediate family.

Surviving are two sons, Ralph R. Canfield of Washington and Everett G. Canfield Jr. of Oroville, Calif.; a daughter, Judith A. Brown of Belmont; 13 grandchildren, several great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two sons, William A. and John C. Canfield; and two daughters, Jean Hoberg and Ruth Thompson. **W**

Hazel G. McDonald

Buffalo Telephone Co.
operator for 20 years

Hazel G. McDonald, 82, of Washington, died Thursday, February 6, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born February 11, 1920, in Hopewell Township, a daughter of Hershel Simon and Sara May Travis McDonald.

Mrs. McDonald worked as a telephone operator for Buffalo Telephone Co. for 20 years.

She was a member of Upper Buffalo Presbyterian Church.

Surviving are two sons, Keith W. Crowe of Washington and Thomas A. McDonald of Ash Grove, Mo.; six grandchildren, Scott A. and Tyler K. Crowe, Glenn Thomas, Bobbi Lou, Ethan and Molly McDonald; and several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Deceased are four brothers, J. Paul, R. Kenneth, John H. and Harry R. McDonald; and five sisters, Dorothy Patterson, Margaret McDonald, Florence Vorhes, Maxine McDonald and Betty Marrow. **JB**

John O. Rupert

McDonald real estate agent
retired from IBM

John O. (Jack) Rupert, 73, of Ridge Road, McDonald, died at 8:30 a.m. Monday, February 3, 2003, in his home after a brief illness.

He was born December 16, 1929, in Youngstown, Ohio, a son of Homer Smith and Hildur Johnson Rupert.

Mr. Rupert served in the U.S. Navy; was employed in management for IBM, retiring in 1986; and was a licensed real estate agent.

He was a member of Lions Club of Hickory, Richard Vaux Lodge 454 F&AM and AARP. He was a 28-year member of American Legion Post 698 of Burgettstown. He served as secretary of Senior Citizens of Burgettstown.

On September 4, 1954, he married Rosemary (Rosie) Lesko, who died January 13, 2003.

Surviving are a son, David Rupert of New York; a brother, James of California state; and an aunt, Helen Johnson.

Ruth O. Harris

Dietary supervisor
from Westland

Ruth O. Harris, 73, of Westland, died Thursday, February 6, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was a daughter of John Dixon and Willa Brazil.

Mrs. Harris worked as a dietary supervisor at Lemington Home for the Aged in Pittsburgh for many years.

Surviving are her husband, James Harris Sr.; two sons, Ernest McClendon III of Canonsburg and Charles McClendon of Pittsburgh; two daughters, Beverly Johnson of Washington and Jamie C. Harris of Blairsville; two stepdaughters, Daisy Ingram of California state and Gladene Garland of Uniontown; three stepsons, James Harris Jr. of Clairton, John Harris of Uniontown and Leonard Jones of McKeesport; two brothers, John and Eugene Dixon, both of Pittsburgh; and numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews. **FL**

Viola M. Naylor

Retired EKG technician
for Washington Hospital

Viola M. Naylor, 71, of Scenery Hill, died Thursday, February 6, 2003, in her home.

She was born November 11, 1931, in Hopewell Township, a daughter of William L. and Nettie Mae Dunkle.

Mrs. Naylor was a 1950 graduate of Trinity High School.

She retired in 1989 from Washington Hospital as an EKG technician after 30 years of service.

On May 29, 1959, she married Virgil M. Naylor, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Virgil T. and Vaughn T. Naylor, both of Scenery Hill; two sisters, Marie Dunkle of Washington and Pearl Cole of Clarion; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are four brothers, James M., William L., Glenn R. and Norvil E. Dunkle.

Beallsville Cemetery.

Anna M. Jobkar

Lifelong resident
of Southview

Anna M. Jobkar, 84, of Southview, died Thursday, February 6, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born May 17, 1918, in Southview, a daughter of John and Anna Senyak Mindek.

Mrs. Jobkar was a lifelong resident of Southview.

Her husband, John Jobkar, died on October 22, 1975.

Surviving are four sons, Robert Jobkar of Bulger, Joseph Jobkar of Southview, Melvin Jobkar of Houston and Ed Jobkar of Scott Township; five grandchildren, Darla, Tina, Eddie and Mathew Jobkar and Cha Pesto; and two great-grandchildren.

Deceased is a daughter, Arlene Pesto. **FL**

Carl R. Fehl

Primrose man was 50-year
member of laborers' union

Carl R. "Wee-Wee" Fehl, 74, of Primrose, Mt. Pleasant Township, died Monday, February 10, 2003.

He was born September 12, 1928, in Southview, a son of Harry and Mildred Grimm Fehl.

Mr. Fehl was a 1946 graduate of Hickory High School and a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army.

He enjoyed working, and was a laborer for Martin W. Wise Co. in Sewickley for more than 30 years before retiring in 1990.

Mr. Fehl was a 50-year member of Laborers' Union 1058.

On August 22, 1953, he married Carmela Scarfo, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Danny, Thomas and Raymond Fehl, all of McDonald; a daughter, Sally Cowden of Mt. Pleasant Township; a brother, KENNY "Brod" Fehl of McDonald; two sisters, Dolores "Boots" Kush of Canonsburg and Karen "Sis" Duchess of Washington; five grandchildren, Diane and Katie Fehl, Casey Horvath, Erica Szuhay and Bill Cowden; and a great-grandchild.

A brother, Harry "Sonny" Fehl Jr., is deceased.

St. Paul's Cemetery,
Weirton, W.Va.

Mary Frances Solomon

Member of Fourth
Presbyterian Church



Mary Frances Solomon, 84, of Washington, died at 2:10 a.m. Sunday, February 9, 2003, in Presbyterian Medical Center,

Washington.

She was born February 3, 1919, in Hopewell Township, a daughter of Harry Lee and Marian Jane Stewart Leech.

Mrs. Solomon was a homemaker and a member of Fourth Presbyterian Church, Washington.

She enjoyed crafts, playing cards and bingo.

On June 20, 1946, she married Abraham Solomon, who died July 29, 1971.

Surviving are a son, Donald Abraham Solomon of Washington; two brothers, Donald Alexander and David Stewart Leech, both of Wheeling, W.Va.; and three grandchildren, April, Jacob and Caleb Solomon.

Deceased are three brothers, John Ivan, Harry Lee Jr. and James Donnnon Leech. **W**

Harold L. Hancock

Cooper Industries retiree served in Seabees

Harold L. (Hank) Hancock, 77, of Canonsburg, died Monday, February 10, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

He was born December 6, 1925, in Canonsburg, a son of Samuel Lawrence and Florence Rogers Hancock.

Mr. Hancock was employed at McGraw-Edison, and retired from Cooper Industries in 1987.

He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the U.S. Navy Seabees.

Mr. Hancock was an outdoorsman who enjoyed hunting and fishing.

On November 2, 1946, he married Emma Sheader, who survives, with whom he celebrated 56 years of marriage.

Surviving are a daughter, Patricia Gill of Bentleyville; two grandchildren, Shelley Barnhart and Charlotte Gill; a great-granddaughter; and three sisters, Isabelle Fee of North Strabane Township, Ann McMillen of Houston and Lorraine Bushmire of Massillon, Ohio.

A brother, Samuel Lawrence Hancock, is deceased.

Helen M. Loughman

Avella woman was inspector, seamstress



Helen M. Loughman, 81, of Avella, died at 1:50 a.m. Saturday, February 15, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born August 29, 1921, in Washington, a daughter of Joseph E. and Gladys Coughenour Mackey.

Mrs. Loughman attended Friendship Community Church in Washington and was a former member of First Christian Church of Washington.

She was a graduate of Trinity High School and Penn Commercial business college.

Mrs. Loughman was employed at Brockway Glass as an inspector, at RCA and Washington City Mission, and as a seamstress by Gessner's Dress Store.

Surviving are two daughters, Connie Seibel of Avella and Carole A. Gongaware of Washington; a sister, Martha Kelley of Washington; six grandchildren, Pam King, Heidi Stellavato, Joseph Ayre and Jamie Sue, Blaze and Courtney A. Gongaware; seven great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two sisters, Louise Mounts and Dorothy Renz.

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John D. Stewart

Heavy equipment operator did missionary work



John D. Stewart, 78, of Washington, died Saturday, February 15, 2003, in Washington Hospital after a

brief battle with cancer.

He was born December 21, 1924, in Chartiers Township, a son of Mary E. Denham Stewart of Washington and the late Carl M. Stewart.

During World War II, Mr. Stewart served in the U.S. Army in Hawaii, the Philippines and Okinawa as a member of the 502nd Antiaircraft Division.

He was a heavy equipment operator employed by Operating Engineers Local 66, and worked for 18 years for Aloe Coal Mining Co., retiring in 1988.

On July 17, 1947, in Crossroads United Presbyterian Church, he married Mary Delsignore, who survives.

Surviving, in addition to his wife and mother, are a son, John Ronald Stewart of Fort Thomas, Ky.; two daughters, Linda Kacena of Wheaton, Ill., and Sandra Gority of Carlisle; a brother, Carl Eugene Stewart of Texas; two sisters, Betty McVay of Winter Haven, Fla., and Marie Bryner of Washington; seven grandchildren, Justin, Jared and Jack Stewart, Julie and Jeff Kacena and Erin and Anne Gority; and several nieces and nephews.

A brother, James Stewart, is deceased.

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Ronald E. Thompson

Owner of Thompson's Inspection Garage, Claysville

Ronald E. Thompson, 63, of Claysville, died Saturday, February 15, 2003, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh.

He was born January 18, 1940, in Taylorstown, a son of the late Elbin and Frances Cunningham Thompson.

Mr. Thompson was a member of Allison Avenue Church of Christ in Washington.

He owned and operated Thompson's Inspection Garage, Claysville, for 15 years.

Mr. Thompson was a member of Washington Cruisers Car Club and a social member of James R. Hunt American Legion Post 639 in Claysville.

He enjoyed restoring cars and trucks.

On January 18, 1960, in Claysville United Methodist Church Parsonage, he married Nancy L. Clark, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Charles Thompson of Bentleyville and Daniel Thompson of Wilkes-Barre; a daughter, Millie Thompson Sims of North Charleroi; five sisters, Shirley Bunnell of Lorain, Ohio, Gerry Adrian of Beaver Falls, Dolores Crupe and Sandy Willis, both of Columbus, Ohio, and Beverly Ritchea of Morristown, Ohio; eight grandchildren, Tabitha Buchanan, Daniel Thompson II, Roni Leanne Sims, Nicholas Thompson, Melinda and Chaz Sims, Leah and Morgan Thompson; and several nieces and nephews.

Edward M. Kelley Sr.

Member of New Life Tabernacle



Edward Martin Kelley Sr., 77, of Washington, died Tuesday, February 18, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

He was born 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 great-grandchildren; and several great-great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two sons, Carl and Robert McCartney; a daughter, Joyce Kelley; and a brother, George Kelley.

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Mary Dove

McDonald resident

Mary Dove, 75, of McDonald, died Wednesday, February 19, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born May 19, 1927, in Neffs, Ohio, a daughter of Andrew and Mary Kapitan Hlavay.

On October 7, 1961, she married Charles Dove Sr., who died June 14, 1978.

Surviving are three sons, Joseph Hlavay of Odenton, Md., Charles Dover Jr. of Bulger and John Dover of McDonald; four daughters, Sophia Vilee of Midway, Judith Herrera of San Diego, Calif., Emma Pollard of McDonald and Sally Adamski of Cecil; six brothers, Andrew of Las Vegas, Nev., Martin of Julian, Calif., George of Bulger, Stephen of McDonald, Louis of Woodburn, Ore., and Peter Hlavay of Bethel Park; 10 grandchildren, Kevin and Chris Hlavay, Debra Moshiri, Michael and Laurie Pollard, Mark Vilee, Matthew and Sean Dove and Kayla and Katelyn Adamski; and a great-granddaughter.

Deceased are five brothers, Paul Sr., Joseph, Frank, John and Jack Hlavay; a sister, Anna Gedman; and a grandson, Charles Vilee.

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Anna E. Wilkins

Cook at State Line Restaurant

Anna E. Wilkins, 76, of Weirton, W. Va., died Tuesday, February 18, 2003, in Weirton Medical Center.

She was born August 7, 1926, in Hanover Township, a daughter of Media and Fannie Antel Angelo. Mrs. Wilkins was employed at State Line Restaurant in Weirton as a cook.

She was baptized into the Nazarene church.

Her husband, William J. Wilkins Jr., is deceased.

Surviving are six sons, William of Joffe, Clarence, Charles and Thomas, all of Weirton, Frank of Cherry Valley and Mike Wilkins of New York; four daughters, Patricia Bartley, Rose Marie McClements and Renee Anderson, all of Weirton, and Peggy Ann Dorich of Paris; 16 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; a great-great-granddaughter; and a brother, Albert Hendel of Houston.

A brother, Leman Angelo, is deceased.

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Della Adaline Rebeck

Organist at Presbyterian church in McDonald

Della Adaline Rebeck, 92, of Bridgeville, died Tuesday, February 18, 2003, in Country Meadows of South Hills, South Fayette Township.

She was born in Afton, Iowa, a daughter of Albert and Mary Hunter Gunn.

Mrs. Rebeck was a 1929 graduate of Afton High School and completed a year at American Institute of Business in Des Moines, Iowa.

She was a homemaker and a member of Independent Bible Presbyterian Church, McDonald, where she was assistant organist and pianist.

On April 11, 1937, she married Charles Rebeck, who died March 21, 1995.

Surviving are a son, Eugene Rebeck of Haslett, Mich.; four daughters, Sylvia Rebeck of Nanuet, N.Y., Janice E. Hackett of Bethlehem, Lee Sealfon of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, and Gladys O'Mahen of South Euclid, Ohio; eight grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Deceased are a brother, George Gunn; and two sisters, Florence Wilson and Letha Jungst.

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MRS. MILTON M. ALLISON

Elizabeth Osborne Laing Allison, 81, of 355 Duncan Avenue, died Tuesday, May 25, 1971, at 6:25 p. m. at her home.

She was born July 8, 1889, in Pittsburgh, a daughter of James Alexander and Margaret Rainey Laing, and lived in Washington the past 14 years. A 1913 graduate of Muskingum College, she taught three years in the Pressley Memorial Institute, Asyat, Egypt.

She was a member of the Church of the Covenant, where her husband, Rev. Milton M. Allison, was associate pastor until his retirement. She was a past president of the Women's Association of the church.

She was married June 26, 1919, to Rev. Milton M. Allison, who survives.

Also surviving are one son, Lt. Col. Samuel A. Allison, U. S. Air Force (Retired), of Carnegie; two daughters, Jane, wife of Dr. Leonard A. Graham, of Chicago, Ill., and Virginia, wife of G. H. Brevoort, of Ridgeway, N. J.; 12 grandchildren, three great grandchildren and one sister, Mrs. Olive L. Crawford, of Washington.

A sister and two brothers are deceased. W

Former Congressman Ernest F. Acheson, Washington county's most distinguished public citizen died this morning at 11:30 at his home in East Maiden street of pneumonia. Mr. Acheson took ill last Sunday morning but his condition was not considered dangerous until early this morning, when pneumonia developed. For the past week or more he had been unusually weak but attended to many matters which demanded his attention and as late as last Thursday was at a meeting of the County Safety Council of which he was president and went to Pittsburgh on Friday. Mr. Acheson had not been in his usual health for the past few years and many things contributed to a general breakdown of his constitution which finally resulted in his death this morning.

Mr. Acheson is survived by his wife, Jane Stewart Acheson, five children, Alexander W. Acheson, attorney-at-law, Mrs. James W. Murdock, of Independence; Mrs. Alexander M. Dwanan, Miss Janet W. Acheson at home and Miss Martha W. Acheson, now at school at Quincy Mansion, Mass. He is also survived by one brother, Dr. Alexander W. Acheson, who is now the last surviving member of a family of eleven children.

Ernest Francis Acheson was born in West Maiden street, Washington, September 19, 1865, his father having been Judge Alexander Wilson Acheson, a famous jurist and public man, and his mother Jane Wishart, member of an old and prominent family. Mr. Acheson entered Washington and Jefferson college and was graduated with the class of 1875. He was active in college circles, being an athlete of note and a member of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity.

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H. J. Ashbrook, Sr. Succumbed of Illness

Howard J. (Ash) Ashbrook, Sr., 62, for many years a resident of this community, died Friday, June 7, 1963, in the Washington Hospital, at 3:20 a.m., following an extended illness.

He was born in West Finley Township, near Burnsville, November 13, 1900, a son of the late Jackson and Elizabeth Loughman Ashbrook. He spent most of his life in this community, making his home the past several years in The Meadows.

He was a former member of the First Presbyterian Church and was a member of the B. P. O. E. Lodge, Washington, Pa.

Mr. Ashbrook was employed as a mechanic for the Pittsburgh-Wheeling Truck Express, for many years.

He was united in marriage with Alice M. Keegan who preceded him in death November 3, 1948.

Surviving are two daughters, Margaret, wife of Robert T. Miller, Claysville, and Helen Jean, wife of Dwight Richmond, Fairmont, W. Va.; one son Howard J. Ashbrook, Jr., West Finley R. D. 1; one sister, Mrs. Blanche Carter, Washington; one brother, Ross Ashbrook, Washington; and 12 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the R. A. Brownlee Funeral Home Sunday June 9, 1963, at 1:30 p.m., in charge of Rev. Robert A. Helstrom, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church. Interment was in the Claysville Cemetery.

Nellie B. Andrews

Nellie B. Andrews, 87, of Avella R.D.1 died Thursday, February 20, 1966, in the Kade Nursing Home, Washington, following a long illness.

Mrs. Andrews was born March 9, 1898, in Herminie, a daughter of Elmer and Laura Lucas Kuhns.

On January 18, 1917, she married Delbert L. Andrews, who died July 5, 1968.

Mrs. Andrews had spent most of her life in Patterson Mills and the past 16 years in West Middletown.

She was a member of the Avella Presbyterian Church.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Steve (Geraldine) Gally, Evans City, and Mrs. Jonn (Rita) Craig, West Middletown; three sons, Leroy L. Andrews, Washington; Lester S. Andrews, West Middletown; Harold D. Andrews, Avella R.D.2; two sisters, Mrs. Julius (Florence) Kristoff, Burgettstown; Mrs. Grace Anderson of Seattle, Wash.; 11 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Two sisters, four brothers, one granddaughter and one great-granddaughter are deceased. WP

Alvin L. Brooks

Alvin L. (Bud) Brooks, 64, of 2952 Call Road, Stow, Ohio, died at 4:19 p.m. Wednesday, May 30, 1964, in Akron (Ohio) Medical Center.

Born August 28, 1919, in West Middletown, he was a son of Art and Ola Kelly Brooks.

A welder, he retired from Terex G.M. Corp., Cleveland, Ohio. He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the U.S. Army.

He was married to the former Lily Jean Lewis, who died January 23, 1964.

Surviving are one son, Kenneth N. Brooks, at home; three children by a previous marriage, David Brooks and Richard Brooks both of Washington, D.C., and Betty Jane Brooks of Kent, Ohio; three brothers, Raymond Brooks of Allison, Floyd Brooks of Washington and Kenneth Brooks of Cardel; three sisters, Gladys Cowell of Ravenna, Ohio, Minerva Moten of Washington and Verna Harris of Pittsburgh. WM

E. L. (Pete) Bemis

E.L. (Pete) Bemis, 83, of the Presbyterian Home, Washington, died at 4:45 p.m. Wednesday, November 10, 1982, after a lingering illness.

He was born July 12, 1899, in West Middletown, the son of Dr. James Bemis and Jennie Brownlee Bemis.

Mr. Bemis was a member of the Faith United Presbyterian Church of Washington, and during his active years took part in all church and community affairs. He was employed by Mellon Bank of Washington for a number of years, retiring in 1964.

Mr. Bemis graduated in 1921 from Bethany College, where he was a member of the Kappa Alpha fraternity. He was a member of the Bethany Masonic Lodge No. 69 F&AM, from which he received his 50-year pin in 1971.

Surviving are his wife, Lillian Jones; two sisters, Miss Janet Bemis and Mrs. Sarah Farrer, both of West Middletown.

His first wife, Lela Crumm Bemis, and a sister, Miss Ruth Bemis, are deceased. W

Donald Burke

Donald Burke, 66, of Washington R.D.3, Buffalo Village, died in his home at 12:20 a.m. Sunday, March 31, 1965, following a brief illness.

Born August 29, 1918, in Webster, he was a son of William and Lena Vogel Burke.

He attended Upper Buffalo United Presbyterian Church.

Before he retired March 1, 1981, he had been employed as an electron tester for RCA.

While at RCA, he served as vice president of IBEW Union Local 1207.

During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army in the European Theater.

On August 7, 1945, he married Florence Maxwell, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Donald M. Burke and Leonard V. Burke, both of Washington R.D.3; one daughter, Mrs. Harry (Joyce) Wilson of Wellsburg, W. Va., and five grandchildren.

A brother, Harold, and two sisters, Leona Hazen and Eva Martin, are deceased. UB

James Logan Brownlee

James Logan Brownlee, 59, of 272 Crescent Drive, Washington, died at 4:30 a.m. Thursday, August 22, 1985, in Allegheny General Hospital.

He was born May 27, 1926, in West Middletown, a son of John L. and Dorothy Williams Brownlee.

Before his retirement he was employed by National Steel in Weirton, W. Va., as an expeditor in sales.

He was a member of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Polish National Catholic Church of Canonsburg. He also was a member of Richard Vaux Lodge No. 454 F&AM, of which he was past master, a member of Coudersport Consistory, and a social member of the Pulaski Club.

On November 29, 1975, he was married to Patricia Ann Bober. Also surviving are two sons, Edward L. Brownlee and Kevin L. Brownlee, both of Washington; two daughters, Dorothy Ann at home and Mrs. Jack (Sondra) Carmichaels of Claysville R.D.2; a brother, Frank W. Brownlee of West Middletown; two sisters, J. Ruth Jones of Washington and Dorothy E. Andrews of Washington; and one granddaughter, Marissa Brownlee of Washington.

A brother, John W. Brownlee, and two sisters, Emma F. Keenan and Grace M. Ross, are deceased. WM

LOUIS B. BROWNLEE

Louis Bushfield Brownlee, formerly of West Middletown, died unexpectedly April 15, 1968, in Mesa, Arizona, after a short illness.

He was born Jan. 27, 1896, a son of John N. and Rebecca Bushfield Brownlee, and spent his early years in West Middletown.

Until his retirement several years ago, he was employed by Youngstown Sheet and Tube Company and made his home in East Chicago, Ind.

July 14, 1919 he married Sarah Shirey, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Louis Bushfield Brownlee Jr., Payson, Ariz.; one daughter, Janet, wife of Ray Neff, East Chicago, Ind., and six grandchildren. One sister, Martha B. Crouse, died Nov. 8, 1957.

The funeral service was held April 19, with burial in Schererville, Ind.

Brownlee—Jan. 6th, 1881, Alice Brownlee, in the 23d year of her age.

Alice was the youngest daughter of John and Sarah Brownlee, of the congregation of West Middletown, Pa. In the month of October, 1874 she, in company with her brother Newton and sister Jennie, was received by baptism into the communion of the church. About two years ago Newton was called away from this world and now the sister follows. Their remains were laid away in the beautiful cemetery at Washington, there to await, as we hope, the resurrection of the just. This bereaved family have the sincere sympathy of all their friends and neighbors, yet this cannot restore to them the departed. Still there is much comfort in the thought that "them who sleep in Jesus will God bring with him." As the time had come to meet this divine appointment, let us seek to grace and resignation to say from the heart "Father, thy will be done." Alice was taken with a cold at the time of her brother's funeral from which she never recovered, but lingered and suffered for two years, and yet her departure at the last seemed sudden. In her case there is an example worthy of imitation, especially by the young, to come out and "confess Christ before men." Here is also warning. Youth is no certain protection against the approach of death. All should hear the voice of Him who says: "Be ye also ready, for in such a hour as ye think not, the Son of man cometh."

WM

DAU. OF JOHN AND SARAH (LOGAN) BROWNLEE

Rev. John T. Brownlee

Rev. John T. Brownlee, 83, of 821 Lakeside Court, Lakeland, Fla., died Tuesday, July 26, 1988, at Lakeland Regional Medical Center.

He was born in Blawnox (originally named Hobokan), April 18, 1905, a son of Joseph and Ada Robertson Brownlee. He grew up in Washington and attended Washington and Jefferson College.

He was a minister at Chartiers Presbyterian Church in Canonsburg for 12 years and the Presbyterian Church in Evans City for 10 years before moving to Florida in 1980. He also served at several other area churches.

Surviving are his wife, Helen Brownlee; three daughters, Mrs. Edmund B. Crowell of Ludihana, India, Mrs. Laurence Miller of Philadelphia, Mrs. James Ketchum of Sandusky, Mich.; a brother, Dr. William Brownlee of San Diego, Calif.; two sisters, Helen R. Brownlee of Greenville, Ohio and Mrs. Thomas H. Bruce of Springvalley, Calif.; and seven grandchildren. WM

INDEPENDENCE — An Avella R.D.3 man has been charged with criminal homicide in the shooting death of a friend early Saturday morning on a farm near Independence.

Robert Jay Bogo, 24, is charged with shooting James Bauduin, 17, of Washington R.D.8 at the home of Bauduin's grandfather, Albert Georgetti of Avella R.D.1. The shooting occurred at 12:30 a.m.

According to Jean Hamel, deputy coroner, Bauduin was visiting his grandfather Friday night and had planned to go hunting Saturday.

There were several young people in Georgetti's game room, including Bogo. State police, who are investigating the shooting, said Bogo removed a small-caliber pistol from his person and the pistol fired, striking Bauduin in the face.

Bauduin was pronounced dead at the scene by Deputy Coroner Jerome Stefkovich of Avella. An autopsy was performed Saturday at 11 a.m. in Washington Hospital by Dr. Ernest Abernathy, who said death was the result of respiratory arrest due to a gunshot laceration of the cervical spinal cord.

James Bauduin Jr.

James Bauduin Jr., 17, of Washington R.D.8, formerly of Avella, died at 1:30 a.m. Saturday, December 10, 1983.

He was born September 29, 1966, in Weirton Hospital, Weirton, W. Va., the son of James Bauduin and Cindy Fawcett.

He was a 10th grade student at Trinity High School who had lived in Washington the past four years. He attended Cross Creek Presbyterian Church.

Surviving are his mother, Mrs. Thomas (Cindy) Fawcett of Washington R.D.8; his father, James Bauduin of Avella R.D.1; two brothers Timothy Bauduin and Jarret Fawcett; a sister, Shannon Bauduin; his maternal grandparents, Albert and Ruth Georgetti of Avella R.D.1; and his paternal grandmother, Mrs. Lorraine (Bauduin) Wagner of Weirton, W. Va.

His paternal grandfather, Earl Bauduin, is deceased. I

W. Verne Buchanan

Services for W. Verne Buchanan, 77, New Philadelphia, formerly of Newark, will be 2 p.m. Tuesday at First Presbyterian Church with Dr. T. W. Hoernemann officiating.

Mr. Buchanan died early Saturday at Union Hospital, New Philadelphia.

He was president and treasurer of Buchanan Independent Oil Co., YMCA and New Philadelphia school board member and a veteran of World War I.

Surviving are his wife, Elizabeth H. Hazlett Buchanan of the home; two daughters; two sons; and 14 grandchildren.

Buchanan

Helen Margaret Buchanan, 82, of 360 Duncan Avenue, Washington, died in her home at 10:15 a.m. Sunday, June 13, 1982.

She was born March 16, 1900, in Hopewell Township, Washington County, a daughter of Robert Cummins and Cora Denny Buchanan.

She was a member of the Third United Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Buchanan attended Washington area schools and California Normal School.

She taught for many years at Clark School and was a life member of the Washington County Retired Teachers Association.

Surviving are two nieces and two nephews.

Miss Buchanan was the last of her immediate family.

A brother and four sisters are deceased. I

Barr

James T. Barr, 60, of Avella R.D.1, died unexpectedly at 11:20 p.m. Tuesday, October 28, 1980, in Washington Hospital.

He was born November 6, 1919, in Hopewell Township, a son of Charles A. and Dora Rizer Barr. He was a farmer and had lived all his life in Hopewell Township.

Mr. Barr was a member of the Zion United Methodist Church and had attended the West Middletown Elementary School.

On August 27, 1964, he married Alma Jane Berg, who survives.

Also surviving are two stepdaughters, four stepsons and five step-grandchildren.

One brother, William Barr, and two sisters, Mrs. Martha Brownlee and Mrs. Mary Redillion, are deceased.

MRS. HARRY N. BEBOUT

Ruth Williams Bebout, 77, of 28 West Katherine Avenue, Washington, died at 12:50 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1, 1969, in Washington Hospital following an illness of several months.

Born in Hopewell Township Aug. 23, 1892, she was the daughter of the late Holtz and Fara Frances Van Kirk Williams. She was a resident of the Washington area most of her life, and was a member of the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church.

On April 7, 1920, she married Harry Noble Bebout, who died Sept. 8, 1959.

Surviving are one son, Francis Keith Bebout, with whom she made her home; one sister, Mrs. Jessie Ferris, Stamford, Conn. and one grandson, Barry Keith and one granddaughter, Il. Jeanne, both at home.

Bovard

Martha Brownlee Bovard, 84, of Silver Spring, Md., died Tuesday, May 11, 1982.

She was born August 13, 1897, in Washington, a daughter of T. B. H. and Mary Flack Brownlee. The family formerly resided at 112 South Wade Avenue.

Educated in the public schools of East Washington and Washington Seminary, she was a graduate of Pennsylvania College for Women (now Chatham College), Pittsburgh. While living in Washington she was a member of Second United Presbyterian Church, now Faith United Presbyterian Church.

Her husband, John R. Bovard, was a member of Washington and Jefferson College Class of 1917. He died April 29, 1957.

Surviving are four daughters, Ann B. Pailthorp, Janet B. Poole, Elizabeth B. Finnical and Mary B. Schwartz; a sister, Janet Lourie Brownlee, Silver Spring; a brother, G. Ashton Brownlee, Washington; 13 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. A brother, John T. Brownlee, is deceased.

A burial service for the family will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, May 14, in Arlington National Cemetery, and a memorial service will be held in Takoma Park (Md.) Presbyterian Church at 12:15 p.m. Sunday, May 16.

Bogo

Ella Bogo, 82, of Avella, died at 5 p.m. Wednesday, November 19, 1986, in Washington Hospital.

She was born on June 10, 1904, in Sygan, a daughter of Modesto and Jennie Bonassi Muccl.

Mrs. Bogo had lived in Avella since 1911.

On October 2, 1920, she married Angelo Bogo, who died June 19, 1985.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Michael (Angeline) Ondrick and Mrs. James (Evelyn) Chocco, both of Avella; one son, Lawrence Bogo of Avella; six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; one brother, Lawrence (Link) Muccl of Avella; two sisters, Mrs. Caroline Bruner Valduga and Letisia Muccl, both of Avella; and a foster son, Eugene Seiber, Avella.

Deceased are one grandson, Christopher; one son, Primo Bogo, who died in 1921; and one brother, Modesto (Babe) Muccl, who died April 1, 1969.

Mass of Christian Burial was sung Saturday, November 22, in St. Michael Catholic Church, Avella, with the Rev. Alvin Gutierrez, as celebrant. Burial was in Independence Cemetery. The Rosary was said Friday evening, November 21. I

Margaretta Scott Brownlee

Margaretta Scott Brownlee, 98, formerly of New Wilmington, Lawrence County, died in the Alencia Villa Nursing Home, Steubenville, Ohio, at 2:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 26, 1983, following an extended illness.

She was born in Washington County, June 24, 1884, a daughter of John Scott and Esther Margaret Templeton Scott.

Mrs. Brownlee was employed as a school teacher in Washington County, was active in the Women's Christian Temperance Union, and she was a member of the New Wilmington United Presbyterian Church.

On August 18, 1909, she married Walker Collins Brownlee, who died in 1962.

Surviving are three sons, the Rev. Walker Scott Brownlee of North Port, Fla., the Rev. Joseph Templeton (J.T.) Brownlee of New Wilmington and Nobleton Fla., and the Rev. John Collins Brownlee, Lakeland, Fla.; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

1810 SQUIRE BOYD DEAD. 1893

West Middletown's Famous Justice of the Peace Succumbs to Dysentery.

Squire D. M. Boyd, one of the most widely known and oldest residents of the northwestern section of the county, died at his home, in West Middletown, at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon, aged 83 years, after a week's illness with dysentery. One brother is the only family survivor.

Deceased had been justice of the peace continuously for upward of half a century and for a greater part of that period had been an active school director, taking the keenest interest in everything pertaining to the advancement and welfare of the public school system.

In his last moments he had every attention that loving friendship and science could suggest but his advanced age was against him and all ministrations availed not to afford relief.

The funeral occurred at 4 p. m. Monday, interment being at West Middletown burying ground.

DAVID M. @ 1ST ELIZA BOYD
AND SECOND ANNA McNULTY

W.M.

Romaine M. Brownlee

Romaine Murray Brownlee, 90, of 219 Main Street, Claysville, died unexpectedly at 5:50 p.m. Friday, March 28, 1986, in her home.

Born February 24, 1896, in Washington, she was a daughter of John and Molly Jordan Murray.

She was a member of the Claysville United Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Brownlee was a past worthy matron of the Order of the Evening Star Chapter No. 187, was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, the Claysville Fire Department Auxiliary and was past president and member of the Help In Need Circle of the King's Daughters.

She was the last of her immediate family.

On June 28, 1921, in Washington, she married Ray A. (Whitey) Brownlee of Claysville, who died October 7, 1969.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Charles (Norma Jean) Quinn of St. Louis, Mo.; and two grandchildren, Diane Quinn of Galveston, Texas, and Patrick Ray Quinn of Dallas, Texas.

Deceased are a sister, Helen Davis, and two brothers, Howard and Arthur Murray. CL

Kenneth D. Brautigam

Kenneth D. Brautigam, 63, of Ashville, N.Y., R.D.1 died at 11:35 p.m. Tuesday, July 3, 1984, in New York.

Born May 10, 1921, in Avella, he was a son of George and Elvira Brautigam. He had been a resident of the Jamestown, N.Y., area since 1948.

He had been a farmer prior to spending 25 years as a plumber and electrician. He retired in 1979.

Mr. Brautigam was a 1939 graduate of Avella High School and a U.S. Army veteran of World War II.

Surviving are his wife, the former Betty L. Kirkpatrick, whom he married March 6, 1948; four daughters, Karen Connor of Simpsonville, S.C., Esther Leopold of Dixon, Ill., Marla Schroeder of Dallas and Marie Long of Grand Rapids, Mich.; one son, Keith Brautigam of Bloomington, Ind.; three grandchildren, Amanda, Rachel and Travis Leopold of Dixon, Ill.; two sisters, Edith Brunner of Uniontown, Ohio, and Mary Robison of Lovettsville, Va.; and two brothers, Earl Brautigam of Mogadore, Ohio, and Frank Brautigam of North Clymer, N.Y.

Deceased are three sisters, Sarah Fulton, Bessie Morgan and Wilma Pitman, and three brothers, Mansel, Elmer and Clarence Brautigam.

Services were held Friday, July 6, in New York.

Edward Bardella

Edward B. Bardella, 63, of Avella, died Thursday, June 4, 1987, at 3:30 p.m. in his home.

He was born July 22, 1923, in Avella, son of Paul E. and Forsine Pepperine Bardella.

On April 12, 1958, he married Gloria Jane Dietz, who survives.

Mr. Bardella worked for 25 years for the Weirton Steel Corp., retiring in 1981. He lived all of his life in the Avella area.

He was a member of Avella Presbyterian Church and was a board member of the West Point Cemetery Association.

Surviving, in addition to his wife, are a daughter, Dr. Inis Bardella Simpson, wife of John R. Simpson, of Washington; a son, Edward James Bardella of Rootstown, Ohio; a brother, William Bardella of Avella; five sisters, Mrs. Earl (Edith) Strommer of Plantation, Fla., Mrs. Floyd (Neva) Stinedurf of Grove City, Mrs. Eric (Linda) Reichelt of Grant's Pass, Ore., Mrs. Robert (Evelyn) Bensick of Port St. Lucy, Fla., and Mrs. Roger (Jane) Caldwell of Holmstead Township, Ohio, and many nieces and nephews.

A brother, Achilles, and three sisters, Lena Simoni, Ella Stacko and Lydia Rickerds, are deceased. A brother died in infancy. WP

Cummins

J. Blatch Cummins, 73, a former state legislator and a Washington County Commissioner from 1958 to 1963, died at 2:45 p.m. Sunday, October 21, 1979, in the Washington Hospital after seven months of ill health.

Mr. Cummins, who lived at 800 East Beau Street, was born December 29, 1905, in Washington, the son of Edward L. and Matilda Malone Cummins.

He had attended Washington area schools, and was employed for 16 years by the Cameron Bottling Co. in Washington.

Mr. Cummins served as a Pennsylvania state legislator from the First District from 1957 to 1958, then was appointed as a Washington County commissioner by the courts in 1958, a position he held for six years.

On July 2, 1936, he married Mildred B. Cummins, who survives.

Also surviving are one brother, Wilbur L. Cummins of Washington, and one sister, Jayne C. Hazen of Washington.

Three brothers, Judge George T. Cummins, Donald E. Cummins and Robert H. (Jerry) Cummins, are deceased.

Arthur L. Cummins

Arthur L. Cummins, 31, of Avella R.D.1, died at 6:21 p.m. Thursday, August 2, 1984, of injuries received in a truck accident in Elkins, W.Va.

He was born May 31, 1953, in Wheeling, W.Va., a son of Edward H. Cummins of West Alexander R.D.2 and the late Alverta B. Ealy Cummins.

Mr. Cummins attended the Lower Buffalo United Presbyterian Church. He was a 1971 graduate of McGuffey High School and was employed by Gladden Trucking Co.

On December 23, 1972, he married Carol M. McAdoo, who survives.

Surviving, in addition to his wife and father, are two sons, Arthur Lee Cummins II and Adam William Cummins, both at home; two daughters, Amanda Marie Cummins and Erin Lynn Cummins, both at home; two brothers, Lloyd E. Cummins of Longview, Texas, and Clyde V. Cummins of Washington; and three sisters, Mrs. James (Marjorie) Wiley of McMurray, Mrs. James (Shirley) Miller of West Alexander and Mrs. Larry (Theda) Jordan of West Alexander.

One sister, Marie Cummins, is deceased.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete and will be announced by the Ferrell Funeral Home Inc., 219 Main Street, Claysville. WM

Wilbur Cummins

Wilbur L. Cummins, 89, of Wayne, formerly of the Executive House, Washington, died Friday, March 11, 1988, in Cathart Presbyterian Home, Devon, where he had lived for one year.

He was born August 6, 1898, in Washington, a son of Edward L. and Matilda Malone Cummins.

He was a member of the Church of the Covenant.

Mr. Cummins worked for the Kresge Stores for several years as a manager prior to becoming a dairy farmer near West Middletown.

In 1946 he returned to Washington, where he was manager of the George Washington Hotel.

On January 1, 1924, in Washington, he married Ruth Amspoker, who died October 29, 1983.

Surviving are a son, Samuel Cummins of Wayne; a sister, Jayne Knestrick of Washington; three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Four brothers are deceased. W

G. Ashton Brownlee

G. Ashton Brownlee, who still practiced law in Washington County at the age of 88, died at 4:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 22, 1984, in Washington Hospital.

Mr. Brownlee, who lived at North Wade Avenue, Washington, was born September 16, 1895, in Washington, a son of T.B.H. Brownlee and Mary L. Flack Brownlee.

The oldest practicing attorney in Washington County, he was a graduate of East Washington High School and Washington and Jefferson College, Class of 1917. He studied law under his father and Andrew Linn, his father's partner, and was admitted to the Bar in 1927. He was assistant district attorney of Washington County from 1928 to 1935.

He was married September 29, 1928, in Portchester, N.Y., to Margaret Palmer, who survives. Also surviving are one daughter, Jean Ashton Brownlee, Clintondale, N.Y., and one sister, Janet L. Brownlee, Newark, Del.

Deceased are one brother, John Brownlee, and one sister, Martha F. Brownlee Bovard.

OLAF E. BRATTAIN

Olaf E. Brattain, 66, of Avella, died 1:10 Sunday, November 28, 1971, in Washington Hospital.

The son of Robert H. and Minnie Kelso Brattain, he was born November 28, 1905, in Sewal, Iowa. He lived in Avella for 30 years.

He was a former heavy equipment operator for strip-mining operations.

Surviving are one daughter, Karen, wife of Stephen Betsy of Hopatcong, N. J.; one brother, Aten, of Corydon, Iowa and one sister, Marjorie Kl of California. I

MRS. J. VERNER CLARK SUMMONED BY DEATH

Well-Known Washington Woman Passes Away in Her Home Here—Native of West Middletown—Church Worker
1852 — 1928.

Mrs. Mary E. Clark, wife of J. Verner Clark, died in her home, 48 North avenue, yesterday morning after an illness of several weeks. Her death was caused by complications which had kept her close to the house for several months but had confined her to her room for but a short time.

Mrs. Clark was a daughter of Rev. Dr. Samuel and Margaret McAyeal Taggart and was born in West Middletown where her early life was spent. Her father was for half a century pastor of the Grove United Presbyterian church of that place and one of the leading ministers of the United Presbyterian church. He retired from the active pastorate in 1884 and died October 21, 1885.

Mrs. Clark attended Pleasant Hill seminary in West Middletown which in its day was a famous school for girls and one of the pioneer institutions of its kind in the country.

She united with the United Presbyterian church when a young girl, under the pastorate of her father, and always took an active interest in the work of the local congregations with which she was connected and with the work of the denomination at large.

Her father was active in the nation-wide temperance movement prior to the Civil war, being one of the delegates from this county to the state convention held in Philadelphia. From him Mrs. Clark inherited an interest in the temperance movement which she maintained throughout her life. Becoming interested in the missionary activities WM

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Mrs. Clark was a daughter of Rev. Dr. Samuel and Margaret McAyeal Taggart and was born in West Middletown where her early life was spent. Her father was for half a century pastor of the Grove United Presbyterian church of that place and one of the leading ministers of the United Presbyterian church. He retired from the active pastorate in 1884 and died October 21, 1885.

Mrs. Clark attended Pleasant Hill seminary in West Middletown which in its day was a famous school for girls and one of the pioneer institutions of its kind in the country.

On December 9, 1886, she was united in marriage with J. Verner Clark, of West Middletown, and in 1895 when Mr. Clark was elected sheriff of Washington county, the family removed to Washington which has since been their home. Coming here she transferred her membership to the First United Presbyterian church and continued her church activities. She was one of the organizers of the Washington Playground association, which provided summer playgrounds for Washington children by private subscription, and for many years was its treasurer. She was also a member of the Current Events club.

Mrs. Clark leaves her husband, J. Verner Clark; a daughter, Miss Margaret McAyeal Clark, and a brother, Major Robert J. Taggart, of the North Side, Pittsburgh. A brother, Rev. Dr. Samuel A. Taggart, who died a number of years ago, was for many years international secretary of the Young Men's Christian association and one of the most widely known officials of that organization. WM

MARY L. CHAPMAN

Mary L. Chapman, 81, of 135 Main Street, Claysville, died at 4:30 p. m. Wednesday, October 13, 1971, in Washington Hospital following an illness of several months.

She was born October 4, 1890, in Donegal Township, daughter of Marion and Alice Denny Liggett and lived in the Claysville area all her life.

Mrs. Chapman was a member of the Claysville United Presbyterian Church.

Her husband, Campbell Chapman, died in 1915.

Surviving are one son, James L. Chapman, of Pittsburgh; one granddaughter, Sandra Flake, of Norfolk, Va.; one sister, Mrs. F. M. Hutchison, of Houston, Tex. and 2 great-grandchildren.

William N. Craig

William N. Craig, 89, of Avella R.D.1, died at 2:33 p.m. Friday, December 30, 1988, in Washington Hospital.

He was born October 22, 1899, in Independence Township, a son of William and Ada Nuzum Craig.

Mr. Craig worked as a farmer in Independence Township. When he retired in 1960, he moved to West Middletown, where he lived until 1980.

For the past eight years, he made his home with the Riley Carl family in Avella.

He was a member of Grove United Presbyterian Church and the Cross Creek Grange of Rea.

Surviving are one sister, Pauline Morrow of Coraopolis, and seven nephews.

Four sisters, Pearl, Helen and Anna Maude Craig, and Irene Carl, are deceased. WM

Herman Carl

Herman D. Carl, 74, of Avella R.D.1, died Sunday, October 26, 1986, at 4:15 p.m. in Washington Hospital.

He was born October 8, 1912, in Independence Township, a son of Grover C. and Mary Amanda Denny Carl. He worked for the postal service in Avella 30 years, the last 10 years full time, retiring in 1979. He was also a farmer in Independence Township, where he spent all his life.

Mr. Carl was a former member of the Avella School Board, where he served for 17 years. He was a member of the Grove United Presbyterian Church, West Middletown, Independence Grange No. 179, and the West Middletown Cemetery Board.

Surviving are one sister, Mrs. William (Thelma) McAdoo, Avella R.D.2; two nieces, four grandnieces and four grandnephews.

His mother, Mary, died May 4, 1974, and his father, Grover, died January 10, 1967. WM

Carl

Clarence Wesley Carl, 75, of 3087 Jefferson Avenue, Washington, formerly of Avella, died at 8:30 p.m. Monday, January 18, 1982, in the Washington Hospital after a lengthy illness.

He was born February 18, 1906, in Bethany, W. Va., a son of George and Mary Counselman Carl.

He was a cutterman for S. George Co., Wellsburg, W. Va., for 30 years, retiring in 1969. Prior to that he was a farmer.

He was a member of the Church of God and the Washington Area Senior Citizens.

He is survived by his wife, Delle Mae Andrews, whom he married March 24, 1928; one son, David Lee Carl of North Plainfield, N.J.; two sisters, Mary Frances Carl of Washington and Nancy Margaret Richards of Washington; and two grandchildren, Brian and Gregory Carl.

One daughter, Mary Lou, and one brother, William Henry Carl, are deceased. I

CLAYSVILLE DISTRICT MAN IS FOUND DEAD

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CLAYSVILLE, June 28.—Neighbors found J. Wesley Clutter, 82, dead in bed in his home just east of Claysville on the National Highway about 4:30 o'clock this afternoon.

The aged retired farmer, who lived alone, had been in poor health for some time and several weeks ago had suffered a slight stroke, but had continued to be active. He

Mr. Clutter was born in Richhill Township, Greene County, September 28, 1857, a son of the late Isaac and Sarah Rebout Clutter, and had spent most of his life in the Claysville district.

Surviving are three sons, Robert L., Ralph E., and J. Allison Clutter, all of Claysville; and three brothers, Frank, of Claysville, John, of Beulah, and George, of Time.

Funeral services will be held at the H. H. Brownlee and Sons Funeral Home in Claysville Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock with the Rev. C. D. Eltringham, pastor of Claysville Baptist Church, in charge. Burial will be in Claysville Cemetery.

J. REA DENNING

J. Rea Denning, 80, of 229 Commerce Street, Beaver, formerly of the Washington area, died Sunday, January 24, 1971.

He was the son of George and Hanna Mustard Denning.

Surviving are his wife, Lacy Clemens Denning; a daughter, Mrs. Robert Mary Roberts, of Beaver; two sons, Homer W., of Buffalo; Earl C., of Washington; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. UB

Craig

Alvin M. Craig, 87, of East Finley, died in his home Saturday, May 28, 1977, at 2 a.m.

He was born in West Middletown May 29, 1889, a son of John and Kate A. Craig.

On October 26, 1916, he married Jane Adams. They had been living on a farm in East Finley Township for the past 25 years.

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

Surviving in addition to his widow are two daughters, Mrs. Frank (Faye) Kress of Columbiana, Ohio and Mrs. Lloyd (Kathern) Burns of Glenn Willard; one son, John Alex Craig of Follansbee, W. Va.; six grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Smith of Washington and Mrs. Guy Smith of Avella R.D.1 and one brother, Stanley Craig of Avella R.D.1.

One sister, Margaret, is deceased. I

W. Howard Clark

W. Howard Clark, 80, of the George Washington Apartments, formerly of 2962 East Maiden Street, Washington, died Saturday, July 3, 1982, at 3:10 a.m. in Washington Hospital.

He was born December 13, 1901, in West Middletown, a son of John M. and Dora Scott Clark.

Mr. Clark was a member of the First United Presbyterian Church, where he served at different times as an elder, treasurer and deacon. He attended local schools and later graduated from Muskingum College, Concord, Ohio, where he received his Bachelor of Arts degree. He later attended Washington and Jefferson College, taking special courses in social service.

Mr. Clark was a former member of the Kiwanis Club. He taught high school at Corning, Ohio, and Toronto, Ohio. He started working in February 1934 for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in the department which later became the Department of Public Assistance. In 1949 he was appointed executive director of the Washington County Board of Assistance. He retired April 21, 1966, after 32 years with the state.

Mr. Clark lived in Washington most of his life, except for two years recently in Fort Myers, Fla.

On November 15, 1940, in Pittsburgh, he married Anna Walker, who survives.

Also surviving are one brother, J. Lloyd Clark of West Middletown; and two nephews, Robert and David Clark.

Six brothers are deceased. W

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Helen Allison Dunbar

Helen Allison Dunbar, 84, of 418 Leonard Avenue, Washington, died at 12:15 p.m. Sunday, January 8, 1984, in the Kade Nursing Home.

She was born July 22, 1899, in Chester, W. Va., a daughter of Oscar O. and Anna Baxter Allison. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Washington.

Mrs. Dunbar was a graduate of Chester High School and a 1922 graduate of the Pennsylvania College for Women in Pittsburgh. She was a former member of the Current Events Club and the American Association of University Women.

On September 14, 1929, she was married in Chester to David M. Dunbar, M.D., who died February 22, 1978.

Surviving are one son, David M. Dunbar Jr. of Washington; and four nephews, Albert and Richard Rabenstein, both of Washington, Joseph S. Dunbar Jr. of Martin's Ferry, Ohio, and Richard Dunbar of New York City, N.Y.

One sister, Eunice Mildred Allison Rabenstein, and two brothers, Howard and Ralph Allison, are deceased.

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MAZIE L. DUNGEE

Mrs. Mazie L. Dungee, 32, of West Middletown, died at 4:25 p.m. Friday, September 22, 1972, in Washington Hospital following a lengthy illness.

A daughter of Everett Patterson of West Middletown, and the late Mary Alice Kelly Patterson, she was born December 21, 1939, at West Middletown.

Mrs. Dungee was a member of the Jehovah's Witnesses at Follansbee, W. Va. She was a 1958 graduate of Avella High School.

Surviving in addition to her father are her husband, Gerald D. Dungee; one son, Jerry, and one daughter, Wendy, both at home; four brothers: James Patterson, of West Middletown; John, of Houston; William, of Washington, and Curtis, of Chanute, Kan.; Gordon, of Washington; Mrs. Virginia Burgess, of Warren, Ohio and Mrs. Joan Brown, of West Middletown.

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FRANK L. FRANCE

Frank Lindsay France, 92, of the Masonic Home, Elizabethtown, died Friday, March 20, 1970.

He was born November 30, 1877, in the Stewart residence in West Middletown, a son of John Davis and Clarinda Wherry France.

Mr. France was employed as a traveling photographer and worked for the Feature Film and Calcium Light Company, United Theater Supply Company and the Theater Supply Company of Pittsburgh, Charleston, W. Va., Cincinnati, Ohio, and Kansas. His last employment was with the Climax Chemical Company, of Langeloth.

He was a member of the Grove United Presbyterian Church, of West Middletown, Crafton Lodge 653 Free and Accepted Masons, Valley of New Castle Consistory and the Syria Shrine, of Pittsburgh.

Surviving are his wife, Belva Lockwood France, and several nieces and nephews.

Four brothers and two sisters are deceased.

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WEST MIDDLETOWN MERCHANT IS DEAD

A. C. Farrer, Widely Known as Progressive Citizen and Business Man, Succumbs to a Paralytic Stroke.

West Middletown, March 3.—A. C. Farrer, merchant here for the last 22 years, and widely known throughout this section of the county, died at 7:30 a. m. Monday, March 3, 1930, in his home here. He was 66 years, 11 months and 15 days of age. His death was due to the effects of a paralytic stroke suffered January 13. He was sick just seven weeks.

Mr. Farrer was born March 18, 1863, in Hopewell township. After his marriage to Miss Rachel Adeline Dimit August 19, 1886, he took up residence in Cross Creek township, farming there for about 18 years. Then he came to West Middletown, where he engaged in the general merchandising business. His 22 years in the store here have made him a wide acquaintanceship.

He was a son of Samuel and Mary Dunkle Farrer, and his father was a former commissioner of Washington county. He leaves five children: Mary, wife of Dr. Sprowls, of Imperial; Roy, of Mr. Donald; Donald and Homer, of West Middletown, and I. R., at home. There are five grandchildren and two sisters: John Farrer, of Buffalo; Samuel, of Independence; Mrs. Nettie Grimes, of Claysville, and Mrs. Mattie Smith, of Mt. Hope.

Interested in all community and civic affairs, Mr. Farrer was active in all efforts toward community progress, and this, as well as his genial disposition, added materially to his popularity over a large section.

Funeral services will be held at the late home Wednesday at 10 o'clock, conducted by Rev. J. Hughes, his pastor. Interment will be in the West Middletown cemetery.

John D. France, in his 87th year, last Civil War veteran of the West Middletown district and respected citizen of that section the greater part of his life, died suddenly Saturday afternoon at 1 o'clock in his home of an attack of heart trouble. Although not in rugged health, Mr. France had been about in his home and his passing was unexpected. A few minutes before his death, he had chatted with members of his household.

Mr. France was born September 11, 1842, at Carrollton, O., a son of James and Miranda Carroll France. He located in West Middletown in his youth and like other residents of the district became an ardent Abolitionist. John Brown visited there frequently in the home of the McKeevers and one of the stations of the "underground railroad" by which escaped slaves reached Canada was maintained.

Practically every able-bodied youth in the district rushed to arms as a result of the intense feeling which had been aroused against slavery, Mr. France among the first. The West Middletown soldiers formed Company A of the 100th Pennsylvania Regiment, which was commanded by Captain Joseph A. Templeton, the first Washington countian to be killed in the Civil war, he meeting his death while leading his men in charge at the Second Battle of Bull Run.

Mr. France was wounded at Antietam, September 6, 1862, and again at Port Steadman. He served throughout the war.

On January 9, 1867, Mr. France married Clarinda J. Wherry, daughter of Noah Wherry, of the West Middletown section, who survives. In January of this year, they celebrated the 22nd anniversary of their marriage.

For nearly 40 years, Mr. France was the proprietor of a hotel in West Middletown. He was active in the affairs of the community, having served as health officer in Independence and Hopewell townships, and registrar of vital statistics and assessor in West Middletown. In politics he was a Republican. He was a member of the Christian Church.

Mr. France was the last of his family. Mrs. France survives with the following children: D. C. France, McCConnellville, O.; Frank L. France, West Middletown; William T. France, West Middletown; Mrs. C. J. Aylesworth, Grove City, and Mrs. C. M. Yocum, Indianapolis, Ind.

Funeral services will be held in the France home this afternoon at 2 o'clock in charge of Rev. John W. Love, pastor of the First Christian church of Washington, assisted by Rev. Earl Hughes, of the Grove United Presbyterian church of West Middletown.

The G. A. R. will have charge of the service at the grave in the West Middletown cemetery.

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Ella M. Dunkle, 89, of Avella, Pa., R.D. 1, died in the Washington Hospital, Sunday, November 15, 1970, at 8:40 a. m., after an extended illness.

She was born in Blaine Township, August 18, 1881, a daughter of the late William and Elizabeth L. H. Irwin Meloy, and spent all of her life there.

One of the oldest members of the Grove United Presbyterian Church, of West Middletown, Mrs. Dunkle was a life member of the Women's Missionary Society and the Jenny Liggett Sunday School Class.

She was married to John H. Dunkle, who died in 1935. Mrs. Dunkle was the last surviving member of her immediate family.

Surviving are two sons: Homer R., of Avella RD 2, and Russell G. Dunkle of Avella RD 1; four grandchildren; 10 great grandchildren and two great, great grandchildren.

Two sisters and three brothers are deceased.

Funeral services were held at the Brownlee Funeral Home, Claysville, Pa., Tuesday, November 17, 1970, at 1 p. m., in charge of Dr. Leland Mifer, pastor of the Grove United Presbyterian Church of West Middletown. Interment was in the Claysville Cemetery.

Calvin T. Davidson

Calvin (Bud) Thomas Davidson, 83, of Avella R.D. 2, died at 12:30 a.m. Saturday, May 9, 1987, in Washington Hospital. He had been in failing health since October 1986.

He was born June 7, 1903, in Hopewell Township, a son of Issac and Ella Smiley Davidson.

Mr. Davidson was a member of the Grove United Presbyterian Church of West Middletown.

In 1985, he was recognized by that church for 70 years of membership. He was a member of the men's Sunday School Class of the church.

He was a graduate of Hopewell Township High School.

Mr. Davidson was a retired farmer.

He was the last of a family of nine children.

Surviving are nieces and nephews. Deceased are three brothers, Leonard, Willard and Homer Davidson; and five sisters, Ida Stoute, Edna Nixon, Mae Davidson, Florence Lowry and Helen Lyke.

WM

PAUL DURILLA

Paul Durilla, of Avella, R.D. 2, died Sunday, September 4, 1966, at 8 a.m. in Washington hospital.

He was born January 25, 1884, in Czechoslovakia, and was a retired miner.

His wife, Susan Spirnak Durilla, died in June, 1933.

Surviving are one daughter and two sons: Anna, wife of Russell Dinch, of Avella, R.D. 2; Paul Durilla, of St. Petersburg, Florida; and George Durilla, of Avella, R.D. 1; 30 grandchildren and 44 great-grandchildren.

Two sons and one grandson are deceased.

Friends were received at the Cowleson Funeral Home, Washington, where services were held Wednesday, September 7, at 1:30 p.m., in charge of Rev. John Mark Scott. Interment was in Independence Cemetery.

Alta I. France

Alta I. France, 69, of Main Street, Weirton, W. Va., died in Weirton Medical Center Wednesday, October 19, 1983, at 11:30 p.m.

She was born July 1, 1914, in Eldersville, a daughter of Bert and Anna Dimit Irwin.

Mrs. France had lived in Weirton the past 50 years. She was a member of the Weirton United Methodist Church and a former member of the Avella United Presbyterian Church. Mrs. France was a graduate of Avella High School, where she was formerly a secretary.

Her husband, Phillip France, died in 1974.

Surviving are one son, Phillip F. France, and one granddaughter, Christina Marie France; both of New Cumberland, W. Va.

One brother, Kenneth Irwin, is deceased.

WM

Irene R. Carl

Irene R. Carl, 89, of Avella R.D. 1, died at 7:25 a.m. Tuesday, September 11, 1981, in Washington Hospital.

Born October 28, 1894, in Independence Township, she was a daughter of William and Ada Nuzem Craig. All of her life was in spent in Independence Township.

On September 3, 1931, she married Earl L. Carl, who died April 27, 1980.

Mrs. Carl attended the former Manchester School of Avella and Bethany (W. Va.) College.

She was a school teacher, having taught in Allegheny College for four years and the Hickory Grade School. In addition, she taught in the Avella Area School System for 15 years.

She was a member of the Grove United Presbyterian Church in West Middletown and Independence Grange No. 179 of Avella.

Surviving are four sons, Ivan L. Carl of Colliers, W. Va., William R. Carl of New Cumberland, W. Va., Riley R. Carl and John M. Carl, both of Avella R.D. 1; one brother, William Craig of Avella R.D. 1; one sister, Pauline Morrow of Coraopolis; 11 grandchildren, and one great-granddaughter.

Deceased in addition to her husband are three sisters, Pearl, Helen and Anna Maude Craig, and one granddaughter, Mary Ann.

WM

H. Eugene Ferrell

H. Eugene Ferrell, 78, of 103 Dewey Avenue, Washington, died at 1:50 p.m. Sunday, August 26, 1984, in his home after a serious illness of three months.

He was born February 8, 1906, in Wellsville, Ohio, a son of Foster E. and Esther Black Ferrell.

He lived in Washington most of his life and was a member of the Church of the Covenant.

Mr. Ferrell was a carpenter, working throughout the tri-state area. He had been maintenance supervisor for Washington and Jefferson College and worked for the A&P grocery chain as a remodeler for 15 years, retiring in 1977.

He was a member of Carpenters Union 541 and Sunset Lodge No. 623, F&AM, Washington.

He was twice married. He was married November 19, 1932, to Elizabeth Perry, who died April 20, 1963. He was then married May 6, 1978, to Betty Doak, who survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Roger (Laura) Gaillard of Pittsburgh, Mrs. Ronald (Donna) Amon of Hacienda, Calif., and Mrs. Darrell (Leslie) Kuntz of Washington; one stepdaughter, Mrs. Frederick (Betty Ann) Lipkend of Brooklyn, N.Y.; one stepson, William D. Ferrell of Strasburg; one brother, Emmett Farrell of Orlando, Fla.; eight grandchildren; eight step-grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

A sister, Louise Sprowls Headley, is deceased. **CL**

Eleanor M. Farrar

Eleanor Mehaffey Farrar, 72, of West Alexander R.D.1, died at 1:25 a.m. Thursday, October 15, 1987, in Ohio Valley Medical Center, Wheeling, W.Va.

She was born December 7, 1914, in Independence Township, a daughter of Joseph B. and Nora Jane Lawton Mehaffey.

Mrs. Farrar was a home economics teacher at the former Claysville High School and in the McGuffey School District. She retired in 1977. A graduate of Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Mrs. Farrar was a member of the Pennsylvania State Education Association.

Mrs. Farrar was an active member of West Alexander United Presbyterian Church.

On August 9, 1949, in West Alexander, she married Andrew J. Farrar, who survives.

Also surviving are a sister, Mrs. Ralph (Emily) Daubenspeck of Tionesta, Forest County, and two nieces.

Deceased are three sisters, Lenora Mehaffey, Florence Buchanan and Mariana Mehaffey.

W. Delbert Hutchison

W. Delbert Hutchison, 95, of Claysville R.D.3 and Clearwater, Fla., died at 3 p.m. Saturday, October 1, 1988, at his Clearwater, Fla., residence.

He was born July 26, 1893, in West Finley Township, a son of James A. and Ada Sutherland Hutchison.

Mr. Hutchison was a prominent dairy farmer until his retirement 28 years ago, when he moved to Florida.

He was a member of the Claysville United Presbyterian Church and a 50-year member of the Claysville Grange.

On June 10, 1919, he married Mildred Grimes, who died May 19, 1979.

Surviving are one son, Dean Hutchison of Clearwater, Fla.; three daughters, Mrs. John (Ethel) Rush of Avella R.D.1, Mrs. Robert (Phyllis) Hamilton of Claysville R.D.3 and Mrs. Sigmond (June) Socransky of Boston, Mass.; eight grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are one sister, Ethel M. Hutchison, and one brother, Dr. Harry Hutchison.

WILLIAM T. FRANCE

William T. France, 79, of West Middletown, died at his home, Monday, September 6, 1985, at 9 a.m.

He was born in West Middletown, May 23, 1886, a son of the late John D. and Clarinda Wherry France.

Descended from one of West Middletown's pioneer families, Mr. France resided in the community his entire life.

His wife, Minnie Phillips France, died April 2, 1952.

Surviving are six sons, William P., of Weirton, W. Va., James A., at home, Osborne and Frank T., both of Steubenville, Ohio, Charles A., of Amarillo, Tex. and Rev. Carl G., of Petersburg, Va.; a daughter, Clarinda, wife of Kenneth McFadden, of Williamstown, N.J.; 15 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren and a brother, Frank, of Elizabethtown.

Two brothers and two sisters are deceased. **WM**

MRS. WILLIAM W. HUNTER

Clara W. Hunter, 85, formerly of Washington R. D. 6, died Wednesday, November 24, 1971, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Gladys Steputis, of Veazie, Maine. She died at 7 a.m. after a lingering illness.

She was born in Moundsville, W. Va., October 10, 1886, a daughter of Joseph and Nora Steenrod Smith. She had lived in Washington County most of her life and moved to Maine five years ago.

Mrs. Hunter was a member of the Bethel United Presbyterian Church, a graduate of California Normal School, she had taught in area schools before her marriage to William W. Hunter, who died May 27, 1965.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Gladys Steputis, of Veazie, Maine; five grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

A son, Kenneth, and three brothers and two sisters are deceased. **PR**

WILLIAM A. HAZLETT

William A. Hazlett, 50, of Apartment 14C, Hutchinson Hall, Canonsburg, died Friday, April 5, 1974 at 11:20 a.m. in Canonsburg General Hospital following an illness of one day.

Born March 17, 1924 in Canonsburg, he was a son of the late Dr. E.L. Hazlett and Bertha Thompson Hazlett of Canonsburg.

He was an employee of Canonsburg Pottery, member of the Canonsburg United Presbyterian Church and a veteran of World War II.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are two sisters, Betty, wife of D.C. Meyer of Treasure Island, Fla., and Jean, wife of W.R. Dempsey of Baltimore, Md. **OS**

Edith Fisher

Edith (Buffy) Fisher, 54, of Avella R.D.1, died at 6:45 a.m. Tuesday, June 11, 1985, in Washington Hospital.

She was born January 2, 1931, in Rea, a daughter of Anna Holmes Fowler of Rea and the late Nathaniel W. Fowler.

She was a 1948 graduate of Hickory High School.

Mrs. Fisher was employed as a cook for Alladdin Food Services at Bethany College until ill health forced her to retire in 1980.

Surviving, in addition to mother, are her husband, Archie R. Fisher, whom she married September 23, 1951; one son, Archie Fisher Jr. of Avella R.D.1; four daughters, Mrs. Jim (Vicki) Perani of Fairview, W.Va., Mrs. Robert (Becky) McGraw of Burgettstown, Mrs. Thomas (Nancy) Kern of Avella R.D.2 and Shirley (Kug) Fisher at home; ten grandchildren; two brothers, Albert I. Fowler and Harry D. Fowler, both of Rea; seven sisters, Emma J. Starinsky of Avella, Mary E. King of Avella R.D.1, Ruth M. Stolkovich of Aliquippa, Anna F. Milvet of Rea, Elsie M. Buchanan of Bethany, W.Va., Martha J. Collins of Independence and Edna M. Pepe of Follansbee, W.Va.

A sister, Reathe Fowler, died in 1918, and a brother, William (Jack) Fowler Sr., died October 30, 1984. **BE**

ARTHUR REX ELLIOTT

Arthur Rex Elliott, 57, of 809 North Broadway, New Philadelphia, Ohio, died in his home at 7:30 a.m. Saturday, September 30, 1972 of a heart ailment.

He was born August 21, 1915 in Washington a son of John and Bess Buchanan Elliott.

Mr. Elliott was an employe of the Buchanan Independent Oil Company in New Philadelphia.

He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in New Philadelphia.

Surviving are his wife Frances P. Kuhn Elliott; three sons, John Elliott, in the U. S. Navy at the Great Lakes Training Center, Chicago, Ill.; Richard and James Elliott, at home; one sister, Maxine, wife of John Porter, Dayton, Ohio, and one grandson.

Burial in Evergreen Burial Park.

1-31-1934

Rev. Robert Hamill

The Rev. Robert Hamill, 62, pastor of Mt. Jackson United Presbyterian Church, near New Castle, for the last 22 years, died in Jamison Memorial Hospital, New Castle, Wednesday, following an appendicitis operation. He was well known in Washington County, having married the late Iva Moore, of near West Middletown.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. R. Donald Wilson, of New Castle, and Miss Mary Hamill, of Arizona; a granddaughter, Roberta Jean Wilson; a brother, Plymouth Hamill, of Indiana, Pa. and two sisters, Mrs. W. F. Simpson, of Indiana, and Mrs. S. R. McClure, of Braddock.

Funeral services are to be held in the Mt. Jackson Church tonight at 8 o'clock. Burial will be in West Middletown Cemetery.

1849 - 1939

MRS. WALLACE FLACK

Mrs. Mary Margaret Flack, 90, widow of Wallace Flack, died Sunday, July 16 at 9 a.m. in her home in Taylorstown. Death was due to the infirmities of old age. She had not been in good health since last Thanksgiving.

Mrs. Flack, a daughter of Joseph and Mary Lowry Donahay, was born December 18, 1849, near Buffalo Village, and lived in Taylorstown and vicinity all her life. She was the last member of her family. For many years she was a member of the Taylorstown United Presbyterian Church.

Surviving are three sons, John M. Flack of Taylorstown, Joseph Flack of Oil City and Frank Flack of Los Angeles.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, July 18 at 2:30 o'clock, in her home in Taylorstown. Burial will be in the Claysville Cemetery. **131**

WALLACE FLACK

1819 Ex-Sheriff Hemphill Dead. [893]

James T. Hemphill, an ex-sheriff of Washington county, died at his home, in West Middletown, about six o'clock Thursday evening, of neuralgia of the heart. He had been ill about a week, but his death seems to have been unexpected by his family and neighbors. He was in his 75th year. The deceased was elected sheriff in the fall of 1885 a served a full term in that important office. He was a citizen of Independence township when elected, but on his retirement from office took up his residence in West Middletown. He was a member of the United Presbyterian church. The wife, three sons and four daughters survive.

The funeral will probably take place Saturday.

HAD MARRIED SARIA MURDOCK

ANNA (M) S.C. MAXWELL

MARTHA

JOSEPH T.

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JANE (M) J. B. JAMISON

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MRS. SARIA HEMPHILL

Mrs. Saria Murdock Hemphill died in her home in West Middletown, Washington county, Pa., November 4, 1925.

She was born in Independence township, Washington county, Pa., December 1, 1827, and had she lived a few weeks longer would have been 98 years old. In 1849 she was married to James T. Hemphill, who died thirty-two years ago. Eight children were born to them, six of whom are still living. Early in life she united with the Mount Hope United Presbyterian church, near her home; when the family moved to West Middletown she transferred her membership to the West Middletown congregation and remained an honored and faithful member of same till her death.

Mrs. Hemphill, despite her great age, retained her faculties and her interest in life till her death. She manifested in her life the Christian graces to a marked degree. She lived a life of fellowship with Christ and her end was peace. **WM**

MARGARETTA KEENAN

Margaretta Alice Keenan, 86, of 136 Elm Street, Claysville, died at 5 a.m. Friday, September 29, 1972, in her home.

She was born October 31, 1885, in Donegal Township, to Samuel M. and Jennie McCleery Sheller and was married May 10, 1906 to Park L. Keenan, who died June 21, 1953.

Her entire life was spent in the Claysville area. She was a member of the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church of Washington and attended Otterbein College in Westerville, Ohio. She taught school for several years in West Finley and Blaine Township.

Surviving is a son, Roy L. Keenan, of Claysville R.D. 2; a daughter, Mrs. Samuel J. (Mable) Kennell, of Cleveland, Ohio; five grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; a sister, Miss Katharine Sheller, of Claysville and also several nieces and nephews.

Two brothers and a sister are deceased.

LOUISE HUGHES

Louise Hughes, 77, of West Middletown, died Wednesday, November 24, 1971, at 10:05 a.m. in Washington Hospital.

She was born January 29, 1894, in Waynesburg, and was a member of the Christian Church, of West Middletown.

Surviving are two sons, John E. of Avella R. D. 1, and George, of West Middletown; two daughters, Mrs. Lawrence Headley, of West Middletown, and Mrs. Mary Staley, of Claysville R. D. 2, and 13 grandchildren.

Her husband, Edward, died August 14, 1956.

One son and two daughters are deceased.

Burial in Zion Cemetery.

SYLVIA G. JAMISON

Miss Sylvia G. Jamison, of 339 Scotia Street, Inghram, near Pittsburgh, died Sunday, October 17, 1971.

She was the daughter of the Rev. William R. and Jane E. Mehaffey Jamison and for many years resided at Mount Hope Ridge, Independence Township.

A retired school teacher, she taught for many years at Turtle Creek High School.

She is survived by a sister, Anna Marie Jamison of the Inghram District of Pittsburgh.

Graveside services will be held Wednesday at 2:45 p.m. in West Alexander Cemetery.

Liggett

Word has been received of the death of Quint Liggett of Somerville, N. J., on March 18, 1979.

He was born April 7, 1891, in Hopewell Township, a son of Elmer E. and Iola Craft Liggett.

Survivors include a brother, Matthew B. Liggett of Washington; a sister, Minnie Brattain of Arlington, Va.; six children and 16 grandchildren.

Burial was March 21 in Great Meadows, N. J.

Karikas

Julia Karikas, 76, of Avella, died at 9:20 a.m. Friday, April 15, 1977, in her home.

She was born July 18, 1900, in Hungary, a daughter of Julia and Michael Balogh Sr. In 1905 she came to the United States.

In 1916, she married Colman Karikas Sr who died June 27, 1969. She lived in the Avella area ever since her marriage.

She was a member of the William Penn Association.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Ralph (Helen) Ruschell Sr. of Bethesda, Md., Mrs. Carl (Tillie) Tennant of Cleveland, Ohio, and Mrs. Henry (Dorothy) Dietz of Avella; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Ross of West Middletown and Mrs. Cyril (Velma) May of Yonkers, N.Y.; 11 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

A daughter, Erma, died July 7, 1958, and a son, Coleman, died November 11, 1967. Three brothers are also deceased.

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Anna E. Malone

Anna E. Malone, 82, of West Middletown, died at 6:15 p.m., Sunday, January 2, 1983, in Washington Hospital following a four-week illness.

She was born September 2, 1900, in Canton Township, a daughter of T. Edward and Sara Paschal Malone.

Miss Malone was a member of Third United Presbyterian Church and taught school for several years. She was head librarian in the agricultural department at Pennsylvania State University for 27 years.

Surviving are two sisters, Mary M. McCollough of Steubenville, Ohio, and Sarah Kathryn Malone, Canton Township; one nephew, Richard McCollough, Steubenville, Ohio; and four great-nieces and nephews.

Three sisters, Martha, Emma, and Florence, are deceased.

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Kenneth C. Liggett

Kenneth C. Liggett, 76, of Keystone Heights, Fla., died October 28, 1983, in Keystone Heights following a lengthy illness.

He was born November 26, 1907, in Independence, Avella R.D. 1, a son of Robert G. and Alma Campbell Liggett.

Surviving are his wife, Mildred Patterson Liggett; a daughter, Mrs. Ted (Flora Mae) Biehl of Detroit Mich.; one son, Kenneth Lee Liggett a brother, Robert G. Liggett of Avell R.D.1; three sisters, Mrs. Charle (Mary) Morrison of Washington, Mr. Helen Scheib of Toledo, Ohio, or Mrs. Wray (Mildred) Jones of Washington R.D.3; and several grandchildren.

Interment was in Keystone Heights Cemetery.

John H. Jackson, Jr., 14, of near Buffalo died in Washington Hospital, of injuries suffered when a clip came off a single tree and he was struck in the stomach by the double tree.

When the clip came off a single tree while he was driving a team of horses to operate a hay fork, John H. Jackson, Jr., 14, was so badly injured that he died Saturday morning at 3 o'clock in the Washington Hospital.

The boy, a son of John H. and Mabel Glenn Jackson of near Buffalo, was helping with the harvesting on the William W. Hodgson farm near Dunsford East Thursday, while hay was being put up. A load was driven into the barn and the team hitched to the top to pull the hay fork carrying the hay into the mow. The Jackson boy drove the team.

As the team pulled a clip came off the single tree, allowing the double tree to fly back and strike the boy in the stomach as he followed close behind the team.

He was taken to the Washington Hospital, where he died Saturday morning.

Young Jackson last Spring graduated from the grade school at Buffalo, and planned to become a Freshman at Washington High School in the fall. He was a charter member of the Sons of the American Legion No. 175 of Washington.

Surviving besides his parents are one brother and four sisters: Mrs. Vera Keenan, of Washington, R. D. 3; James Gladys Jean and Mildred, at home.

Funeral services will be held in the Zion United Brethren Church this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, in charge of the Rev. M. O. Mickey, pastor of the church, and the Rev. O. M. Champ of Belmont. Burial will be in the Buffalo Cemetery, Washington.

Jones

Miss Bessie M. Jones, 89, of West Alexander R.D.2, died unexpectedly in her home at 11:45 p.m. Saturday, September 2, 1978.

She was born January 22, 1889, in Independence Township, a daughter of William F. and Clara M. Taylor Jones.

Miss Jones lived all her life in Independence Township. She was a former member of the Mt. Hope United Presbyterian Church.

In 1909 she graduated cum laude from Bethany (W.Va.) College, where she received a masters degree in music.

She taught music in the community and later worked as a practical nurse.

Surviving are a sister-in-law, Mrs. Josephine Jones of West Alexander R.D.2; one niece, Mrs. Edith Gilmore of West Alexander R.D.2; one great-niece, Mrs. Larry (Karen) Johnson of Washington; and four great-nephews, Larry Gilmore of Triadelphia, W.Va., and Fred, Patrick and Daniel Jones, all of West Alexander R.D.2.

Keenan

Faye C. Keenan, 72, of Avella R.D. 1, died at 9 a.m. Saturday, December 30, 1978, in her home.

She was born December 31, 1905, in Washington County, the daughter of A.H. and Mary E. Miller Keenan.

She had been a teacher for 44 years, having taught in the Canton and Biaine Township Schools and the Avella Area Jointure Schools.

A graduate of Claysville High School, Miss Keenan received her teaching certificate from California State Teachers College.

She was a member of the Grove United Presbyterian Church, West Middletown; Independence Grange 179; Washington County Retired Teachers Association; Pennsylvania Education Association; National Education Association and the National Retired Teachers Association.

Surviving are a sister, Mrs. Irah Smith of Avella R.D. 1; a brother, Jay M. Keenan Sr. of West Middletown; three nephews, one niece; five grandnephews, four grandnieces and one great-grandnephew.

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Martin

Edward C. Martin, 76, of Avella R.D.3, died at 3:45 a.m. Sunday, October 11, 1981, in the Kade Nursing Home, Washington.

He was born January 28, 1905, in Pittsburgh, a son of Thomas and Mary Farrell Martin.

He attended St. Anne School in Castle Shannon, Schenley High School in Pittsburgh and Carnegie Institute of Technology. He was employed for 10 years as an accountant by the Jefferson Coal and Construction Co. of Avella.

Mr. Martin was a member of St. Michael Church of Avella and served for 21 years as secretary of the Avella Area School Board. He was a lifetime member of the Avella Area Fire Department and served for 12 years as department recording secretary.

He was married June 28, 1930, to Elsie Farner, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Howard P. (Marlyn) Campbell of Fairview; a son, Edward (Jerry) Martin of Burgettstown; four grandchildren, Melvin and Lynn Campbell of Ligonier and Cindy and David Martin of Burgettstown; and a sister, Evelyn O'Keefe of Beyer.

St. Michael Church of Avella

George Kelley

George (Mack) Kelley, 89, of West Middletown, died at 2:20 p.m. Thursday, May 14, 1987.

He was born November 29, 1897, in West Middletown, son of Thomas and Margaret Kelley.

On August 15, 1921, he married Romaine Kelley, who survives.

Mr. Kelley owned and operated Kelley's Park in West Middletown. In addition, he did general hauling until he retired in 1975.

Surviving, in addition to his wife, Romaine, are two daughters, Edna Williams of New York, N.Y., and Rosalie Robertson of McKeesport; four sons, James of Chicago, Ill., Leonard, Leroy and Louis, all of West Middletown; 11 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two brothers, three sisters, and one daughter, Edith Virginia Tillie, who died on January 21, 1975.

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Matthew Liggett

Matthew B. (Ted) Liggett, 85, of 2370 Cornelia Street, Washington, died Wednesday, April 1, 1987, in Washington Hospital.

He was born October 1, 1901, in Hopewell Township near West Middletown, a son of Elmer E. and Iola Craft Liggett. He was a member of the Upper Buffalo Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Liggett worked as a carpenter from 1922 until his retirement in 1981 at the age of 80. He had a hobby of repairing and making stringed musical instruments.

He was married August 15, 1931, to Marie Waugaman, who survives.

Also surviving are one son, Elmer E., Washington; two daughters, Judy, wife of Joseph McLinden, Nuevo, Calif., and Nancy Alexander, Long Beach, Calif.; one sister, Mrs. Minnie Brattian, Alexandria, Va.; eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Four brothers and two sisters are deceased.

James Murdock

-4-25-1954

Well Known Farmer Of West Middletown

James White Murdock, of West Middletown, well-known farmer in Independence Township, died Sunday morning at 6 a.m. in his home. He was in his 91st year.

Mr. Murdock, a son of Milton Templeton and Nancy White Murdock, was born July 5, 1863, in Hopewell Township. During the greater part of his active life he was engaged in general farming on the Murdock farm in Independence Township. Since 1929 he had resided in West Middletown.

On March 28, 1916, he was united in marriage with Phoebe Stewart Acheson, of Washington.

Mr. Murdock was widely read and a good conversationalist. He took great interest in public affairs and was well versed in the local history of his section of the County. He was a member of the Grove United Presbyterian Church of West Middletown.

He is survived by his wife and two daughters, Jane, wife of John S. Fulcher, of Alexandria, Va., and Nancy, wife of Peter Smith, of West Middletown. He is also survived by three grandchildren.

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ROBERT M. MONTGOMERY

The death of Robert Magill Montgomery, 38, well-known in Washington County, occurred Saturday in the Bellvue Hospital, Pittsburgh, following an illness of more than a year. Mr. Montgomery was a son of Blanche Magill Montgomery and the late Rev. D. Rankin Montgomery, who was a well-known Presbyterian minister and for sometime a missionary in Alaska.

About a year ago Mr. Montgomery suffered a stroke of paralysis and had not been in the best of health since that time. Besides his mother, who was Blanche Magill of Buffalo now a resident of Mack, he is survived by two brothers, Francis E. Montgomery, of Pittsburgh, and Walter Montgomery, of Hollidaysburg. The following aunts and uncle also survive: Mrs. Clarence Hunter Monongahela, Mrs. Lewis Maxwell and Mrs. Etta M. Allison, of Buffalo, and Dr. Frank Magill, of Washington. Funeral services will be held today at 2 o'clock, last time, from the Brand Funeral Home on Perryville Road. Burial will be at New Texas.

Mildred P. Morrow

Mildred P. Morrow, 78, of Avella R.D.1, died Monday, March 4, 1985, in Washington Hospital.

She was born December 7, 1906, in Independence.

Mrs. Morrow was a graduate of Geneva College and in 1979 she received the Alumni Distinguished Service Award for her work in special education. She taught school for many years in several states and spent a year as an exchange teacher in Scotland.

Her husband, Matthew Morrow, is deceased.

Surviving are a son, Gordon Morrow of West Vestal, N.Y.; two sisters, Judy Martin of Everett, Wash. and Mary L. Weigmann of Yorkville, Ohio; two brothers, Eugene G. Painter of Avella and Clifford M. Painter of Washington; two granddaughters, Heather and Heidi Morrow of West Vestal, N.Y.; and 13 nieces and nephews.

Wray McAdoo Jones

Wray McAdoo Jones, 75, of Washington R. D.3, died at 6:49 p.m. Saturday, June 18, 1988, in Washington Hospital.

He was born June 10, 1913, in Bethany, W. Va., a son of Doc K. and Dessia A. McAdoo Jones.

Mr. Jones was a member of the Upper Buffalo Presbyterian Church.

For 31 years, he had been employed with B.F. Drakenfeld in the lab.

He was a graduate of Trinity High School, Class of 1932.

On June 1, 1937, he married Mildred Liggett, who survives.

Surviving, in addition to his wife, are one son, Robert Wray Jones of Avella R.D.1; three daughters, Mrs. James C. (Barbara Ann) Rouse of Washington R.D.1, Nancy E. Zimm of Avella R.D.1 and Mrs. Larry (Saundra Louise) Kandros of Hendersonville, Tenn.; one brother, Robert Earl Jones of West Middletown; 13 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

One brother, Floyd P. Jones, and two sisters, Florence Myers and Nancy West, are deceased.

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Perry Liggett

Retired Master Sgt. Perry B. Liggett Jr., 59, of 651 Corn Wall Terrace, Mary Esther, Fla., died Tuesday, January 3, 1984, at the Leesburg (Fla.) Medical Center.

Born March 3, 1924, in West Middletown, he was the son of Perry and Minnie Liggett.

In 1970, he retired from the U.S. Air Force after more than 25 years of active duty. During World War II, he was with the 320th bomb group in Europe.

He was a life member of VFW Post 7674 of Florida; a member of the DAV Chapter 72, Florida, and a member of the American Legion Edwin Scott Linton Post, Washington.

Surviving are his wife, Julie Liggett; one daughter, Lisa, and a granddaughter, Ashley, *MARY ESTHER* Esther; two stepsons, Andy Wetzen of Pomona, Calif., and Chris Wetzen of Mary Esther; one stepdaughter, Julie Wetzen, also of Mary Esther; one stepgranddaughter, Megan Wetzen of Pomona, Calif., and one sister, Cleta Chambers of Canonsburg.

He was buried in Mary Esther with full military honors.

Alice Dinsmore Lowry

Alice Mabel Dinsmore Lowry, 70, of Charlottesville, Va., formerly of Washington, died Wednesday, July 6, 1988, after a lengthy illness.

She was born August 30, 1917, in Washington, a daughter of the late William B. and Mabel L. Dinsmore.

Mrs. Lowry was a graduate of East Washington High School and the Washington Seminary.

Surviving are her husband, Albert Griffith Lowry; two sons, Albert Dinsmore Lowry of Springfield, Va., and Edward Bennett Lowry of Charlottesville, Va.; and five grandchildren.

Deceased are a sister, Florence Dinsmore Bessor; and a brother, Edward William Dinsmore.

Services will be Saturday, July 9, in Charlottesville, Va. Interment will be in Monticello Memory Gardens, Charlottesville, Va. The family suggests contributions to the local Alzheimer's Related Research Fund.

Joseph Kovalcik

Joseph Kovalcik, 65, of Avella R.D.2, died at 6:12 p.m. Sunday, June 9, 1985, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born February 12, 1920, in Hopewell Township, son of the late Andrew and Barbara Balog Kovalcik.

On July 14, 1956, he married Jean Wilhelm, who survives.

Mr. Kovalcik was a life-long Avella resident.

He retired in February, after 20 years as a mechanic from Sutherlands Lumber Company, Burgettstown. He also worked as a farmer.

Mr. Kovalcik was Lutheran.

He was a member of the Syria Temple of Pittsburgh, the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite and Glasgow Lodge 485 F&AM of Shippingport. He also was a member of the Loyal Order of Moose Lodge 205, Follansbee, W. Va., for 24 years, Fraternal Order of Eagles of Canonsburg and Washington County Farmers Association.

Surviving in addition to his wife, Jean, are one son, Rick Kovalcik of Avella R.D.2; one brother, Steve Kovalcik of Washington; three sisters, Mrs. Andrew (Mary) Zimmerman of Hickory, Mrs. Robert C. (Elizabeth) Butterfield of Georgetown and Mrs. Antonjo (Helen) Piacenza of Washington, and several nieces and nephews.

Three brothers, Andrew, George and John Kovalcik, and one sister, Anna Lacko, are deceased.

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Miller

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Robert G. Miller Sr. of Arnold, Mo., died Thursday, April 2, 1981, in St. Louis Hospital, where he had been a patient since February. He was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. B.F. Miller of West Middletown.

Mr. Miller was a 1938 graduate of Washington High School, and served in World War II from July 1940 to July 1945, in the European Theater. He was employed by the telephone company in St. Louis, Mo., for 35 years.

Surviving are his wife, Aerial Roberts Miller; a daughter, Sharon Miller Hart of Chicago, Ill.; a son, Robert G. Miller II of Arnold; a sister, Mildred Miller Dunkle of Avella R.D. 2; a brother, Ben F. Miller of Sebring, Fla.; two grandsons and one granddaughter.

Services were held Saturday, April 4, in the New Hope Methodist Church of Arnold.

Grace M. Mehaffey

Grace M. Mehaffey, 81, of Avella R.D.1, died at 11:20 a.m. Friday, January 9, 1987, in Washington Hospital.

Born October 20, 1905, in Donegal Township, she was a daughter of William A. and Flora Noble Mehaffey.

She was a member of the United Presbyterian Church of Claysville.

Surviving are a sister, Mary M. Kerr of Avella R.D.1; a foster daughter, Mrs. James (Phyllis) Mangin of Avella R.D.1; a niece, Grace Nuzum of Avella R.D.1; a nephew, Francis Nuzum; and a grandson, Brandon Mangin.

Deceased are a sister, Margaret Nuzum, and a brother who died in infancy.

Liggett

Perry Brown Liggett, 83, of 159 Chambers Lane, Canonsburg, died at 11:15 p.m. Monday, April 25, 1977, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Robert (Cleta) Chambers.

He was born February 3, 1894, in West Middletown, a son of Elmer and Iola Liggett.

A West Middletown resident all his life, he retired in 1959 after working as a union carpenter. He was a member of the Grove United Presbyterian Church of West Middletown and the Edwin Scott Linton American Legion Post No. 175 of Washington.

Surviving in addition to his daughter are a son, Perry B. Liggett Jr. of Mary Esther, Fla.; six grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; two brothers, Quint Liggett of New Jersey and M.B. Liggett of Wolfdale; and one sister, Mrs. Minnie Brattain of Alexandria, Va.

His wife, Minnie Ethel Liggett, died December 15, 1968. One brother and two sisters are also deceased.

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Emil Louis Lawton

Emil Louis Lawton, 62, of Haines City, Fla., formerly of Weirton, W. Va., died Sunday, January 6, 1985, in a hospital there following a lingering illness.

Born January 3, 1923, in West Middletown, he was a son of Eula Ritchey Lawton of Taylorstown, and the late Ernest Lawton.

Mr. Lawton was a retired employee of Weirton (W. Va.) Steel and was a member of the First Baptist Church of Weirton.

Surviving are his wife, Loretta; three sons, Richard and Donald Lawton, both of Weirton, and David Lawton of Louisville, Ky.; one daughter, Colleen of Winterhaven, Fla.; one sister, Jean McAnallen of Taylorstown; one brother, William Lawton of Herndon, Va., and seven grandchildren.

One brother, Charles, is deceased.

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R. Ward Lawton

R. Ward Lawton, 90, of Columbus, Ohio, formerly of East Maiden Street, Washington, died at 12:45 a.m. Monday, February 13, 1984, in the North Convalescent Center, Worthington, Ohio.

He was born August 5, 1893, in West Middletown, a son of Ira E. and Charlotte Miller Lawton.

Mr. Lawton was a member of the Faith United Presbyterian Church, Washington, and the Masonic Lodge of Byesville, F&AM No. 654.

His wife, Alberta Tripp Lawton, died April 16, 1980.

Surviving are two sons, Robert J. Lawton of New Castle and Richard E. Lawton of Columbus, Ohio; two sisters, Elva Lawton of Seattle, Wash., and Phila Lawton of West Middletown; and five grandchildren, Scott, Anne, Jamie, Rick and Joel Lawton.

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Margaretta Keenan Donegal Twp Native

Margaretta Alice Keenan, 86, of 136 Elm Street, Claysville, died at 5 a. m. Friday, September 29, 1972, in her home.

She was born October 31, 1885 in Donegal Township to Samuel M. and Jennie McCleery Sheller and was married May 10, 1906 to Park L. Keenan, who died June 21, 1953.

Her entire life was spent in the Claysville area. She was a member of the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church of Washington and attended Otterbein College in Westerville, O. She taught school for several years in West Finley and Blaine Township.

Surviving are a son, Roy L. Keenan of Claysville RD 2; a daughter, Mrs. Samuel J. (Mabel) Kennell of Cleveland, O.; five grandchildren; ~~one~~ great grandchildren; a sister Miss Katherine Sheller of Claysville and also several nieces and nephews.

Two brothers and a sister are deceased.

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John B. McCreight

John B. McCreight, a prominent local attorney, 72, of 705 North Wade Avenue, Washington, died Friday, February 24, 1984, in Suncoast Hospital, Largo, Fla.

He was born May 22, 1911, in Washington, the son of John Ralston and Agnes Borland McCreight. He was a member of the Church of the Covenant, where he was an elder and a former trustee.

He was senior member of the law firm of McCreight, Marriner and Crumrine of Washington. He was a graduate of East Washington High School and the College of Wooster, and received his law degree from the University of Pittsburgh.

He was a former member of the board of directors and past state president of the Pennsylvania Lung Association, a former member of the board of directors and executive committee of Blue Cross of Western Pennsylvania, a member of the former East Washington School Board and a former member and past president of the Washington School Board. He also formerly served as adviser to draftees under the Selective Service Administration.

He was married June 15, 1940, in Washington to Jane Wallace, who survives.

Also surviving are one son, John Wallace McCreight of Washington; two daughters, Mrs. John R. (Becky) Wharton and Nancy A. McCreight, both of Washington; one brother, James C. McCreight of Washington; one sister, Mrs. Harry H. (Martina) Rowand of Oakmont; one aunt, Miss Ida M. Borland of Washington; and three grandchildren, Emily and Susan Wharton and John McAnulty McCreight.

One brother, William Edward McCreight, is deceased.

Lawton

Alberta T. Lawton, 77, of 419 East Maiden Street, Washington, died in her home at 12:20 p.m. Wednesday, April 16, 1980.

She was born January 27, 1898, in Nineveh, a daughter of James and Lucinda Archer Tripp.

Mrs. Lawton was a member of the Faith United Presbyterian Church and the Ladies Circle of the church. She attended Hopewell Township schools and Buffalo High School. She was a member of the Washington Chapter 409, Order of Eastern Star, and the Bethesda Shrine No. 25, White Shrine of Jerusalem.

In Buffalo Township, on June 4, 1924, she married R. Ward Lawton, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons: Robert J. Lawton of New Castle and Richard E. Lawton of Columbus, Ohio, and four grandchildren.

Two sisters, Bess Stewart and Annie Bell Tripp, and two brothers, Harry Tripp and John Tripp, are deceased.

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Sarah K. Malone

Sarah Katherine Malone, 82, of Malone Ridge, Washington RD 3, died at 1 p.m. Thursday, November 22, 1984, in Washington Hospital, following a lingering illness.

She was born October 17, 1902, in Canton Township, a daughter of T. Edward and Sara Paschal Malone.

Miss Malone was a member of the Third United Presbyterian Church.

She was a graduate of Trinity High School and Muskingham College, New Concord, Ohio. She taught school in Dunbar Township and in the Connelville area.

Miss Malone also received a degree in social work from the University of Pittsburgh and had been employed in that field in Hagerstown, Md., Pittsburgh, Chicago, Ill., and New York City.

Surviving are one sister, Mrs. Mary McCollough of Steubenville, Ohio; one nephew, Richard McCullough of Steubenville; two great-nieces; and two great-nephews.

Four sisters, Florence, Anna, Martha and Emma Malone, are deceased.

WILLIAM W. McCLAY

William W. McClay, of Washington, R. D. 5, died suddenly Friday, July 21, at the McClay home in Canton Township, where he was born.

Mr. McClay, who was in his 95th year, had been in failing health since last December.

He was a life long member of the North Buffalo Presbyterian Church. Surviving are a brother, Robert H. McClay, Washington, two nieces, Mrs. Samuel Hough and Mrs. R. G. Maxwell, Washington, and two nephews, John W. McClay and John H. Morrison, Washington, R. D. 5.

Friends will be received at the Ritchie Funeral Home from today at 2 p.m. until time of services Monday at 2 p.m. Burial will be in Washington Cemetery.

MARTHA BRADY

McCleery

Local Realtor J.C. McCleery, 66, of 67 Watson Avenue, East Washington, died Friday, January 15, 1982, in a fire at his home.

Mr. McCleery had been in the real estate business since 1946, and became a licensed Realtor in 1948. His office is located at 62 West Wheeling Street.

He was born June 29, 1915, in West Alexander, the son of Franklin Ross and Florence A. Reney McCleery. He attended the University of Pittsburgh, and he was a graduate of the Pennsylvania Association of Realtors School of Real Estate.

He was a fourth generation Realtor. His great-grandfather, Alexander McCleery, and his grandfather, James McCleery, both dealt in real estate and coal before a state license was required. His father, Frank R. McCleery, operated a Realty office in West Alexander.

Surviving in addition to his wife are one son, Charles Franklin McCleery, at home; and one daughter, Martha, wife of Bintoar Palar of New York City.

One son, James Crozier McCleery II, is deceased.

CHARLES R. McFADDEN

Charles R. McFadden, 83, of West Middletown, died Monday, June 28, 1965, at 7 a. m., at the home of his daughter, Mrs. George Lykens, of Spring City, Chester County.

He was born May 20, 1882, at West Middletown, and spent his entire life there. He was formerly in the gas and oil drilling business for many years. He was a member of the Grove United Presbyterian Church of West Middletown.

His wife, Aura Lee McFadden died August 1, 1948.

Surviving are three sons, Irwin, of Pullman, Wash.; Morris, of Asheboro, N. C.; and Stewart, of Midland, Texas; one daughter, Jean, wife of George P. Lykens, of Spring City; 11 grandchildren and two sisters, Mrs. Alice Miller, of West Middletown and Mrs. Anna Cushing, of Leetonia, Ohio.

Three sisters are deceased.

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1882 Harry M. Magill 1908

Harry Marquis Magill, 81, of Buffalo, this county, died at the home of his father

or pneumonia, aged 26 years. The young man had been ill for five weeks. Mr. Magill, after finishing the common school course, attended the Albany Business College, Albany, New York, and on his graduation four years ago took employment as bookkeeper with W. G. Morton & Co., wholesale coal merchants of Albany. Two years ago he secured a position with the Pennsylvania Railroad company at Pittsburg, as assistant to the auditor of the Union Lines. He was still in the employ of this company when he was taken ill. Besides his father, he is survived by the following brothers and sisters: Rev. C. B. Magill, of the Memorial Presbyterian Church, Troy, New York; Or. F. H. Magill, Washington; Mrs. John Allison, Camonsburg; Mrs. C. M. Hunter, Monongahela; Mrs. Rev. D. R. Montgomery, Clarksburg, Washington; Mrs. Louie A. Maxwell, Buffalo, and Maxine, at home. The funeral services will be held at 1 o'clock, Saturday afternoon, at the Upper Buffalo Presbyterian Church. The interment later will be private.

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DIED, on the 11th of May, at his residence in West Middletown, Washington Co., Pa., Mr. THOMAS M'CALL, in the 84th year of his age.

He was born in York Co., but resided the greater portion of his time in Washington Co., and for the last forty-one years in the Borough where he died. He filled important offices in the Church and in the State. He was a member of the State Legislature for several years, and a Delegate to the Convention that was appointed to amend the State Constitution. For more than twenty years he officiated as a Ruling Elder in the Congregation of West Middletown, with honor to himself and advantage to the Church. He was a man of a sound discriminating mind when in the vigor of life, and retained his mental power, in a good degree, even in old age. In the Temperance movement, at an early period, he took an early and decided stand, as will be remembered by many of the members of our Synod, and seen by a reference to the minutes of their proceedings on that question. He took a deep interest also in the Anti-slavery cause, and by his unbending integrity he exerted, it is believed, a powerful influence in favor of moral reformation. He was an honest man, a kind philanthropist, an humble and devoted follower of Jesus Christ, in whom he placed all his hope for salvation. The Church below has sustained a loss in his removal, but, we trust, it is so much gain to the Church above.

Having possessed a valuable estate, he bequeathed three thousand dollars of it to benevolent objects: To the General A. R. Synod of the West he left one thousand dollars for Foreign Missions and five hundred for Home Missions to the American Bible Society he left one thousand dollars, and to the Tract Society five hundred.

Having lived a regular and temperate life in the enjoyment of a good degree of health, by a brief sickness of some four days he was removed — "Came to his grave in a full age, like as a shock of corn cometh in his season."

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THOMAS @ MARY STEWART
WHO WAS DAU. OF GALBRAITH
AND ELIZ. (SCOTT) STEWART.

MARGARET McFADDEN

Mrs. Margaret (Kindy) McFadden, 62, of 224½ West Main Street, Millville, N.J., died Sunday, July 22, 1973, in the Millville Hospital after an extended illness.

She was born July 2, 1911, in West Middletown, the daughter of William and Minnie Phillips France.

Mrs. McFadden was a resident of Millville the past two years and was formerly of Richmond, Ohio. She graduated from Avella High School in 1929, and was a member of the Grove United Presbyterian Church, West Middletown.

Surviving are her husband, Kenneth V. McFadden; two sons, K. Brian McFadden of Millville, N.J. and John L. McFadden of Esterville, Ia.; six brothers, Phillip France of Wierton, W. Va., James of Washington, Frank and Osborne, both of Steubenville, Ohio, Charles of Amarillo, Tex., and the Rev. Carl France of Pulaski; and seven grandchildren.

One brother, John, is deceased.

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CURTIS F. MCNARY

Curtis F. McNary, 85, of the Masonic Home Elizabethtown, formerly of Canonsburg, died Friday August 22, 1975, in Elizabethtown.

He was born July 26, 1890, son of John and Mary Jane Whitely McNary.

He was a teller at Citizen's Trust Bank, Canonsburg, was a life long member of Canonsburg United Presbyterian Church, and was a 50 year member of Chartiers Lodge 297, F and AM.

Surviving is his widow, Belle Munnell Galbraith McNary.

One son, Curtis; one daughter, Jeanne; one brother, Ernest; and two sisters, Myrta Smith and Dora McAllister, are deceased.

Orval R. McAdoo

Orval R. McAdoo, 80, of West Alexander R.D.1, died at 4:35 p.m. Monday, April 25, 1988, in McMurray Hills Manor.

He was born May 9, 1907, in Donegal Township, son of Allen C. and Margaret S. McBroom McAdoo.

Mr. McAdoo had been employed by Russell Industries of Bridgeville as an operating engineer, retiring in 1982. Prior to that he worked for Herbert Messenger, contractor, and the Washington County Highway Department.

He attended McAdoo School and was a member of Dutch Fork Christian Church and American Legion Post 656, West Alexander, where he had served as past commander. He was a veteran of World War II, having served with the U.S. Army in Germany, France and England.

Surviving are three sons, O. Robert McAdoo Jr., H. Allen McAdoo and William F. McAdoo, all of West Alexander; one daughter, Mrs. Herman (Patricia) Kerns of West Alexander; four brothers, Albert E. McAdoo of West Alexander, Clifford E. McAdoo of Washington R.D.5, Ross O. McAdoo of West Alexander and Merle E. McAdoo of Claysville; four sisters, Elizabeth Sutherland and Ethel Allen, both of West Alexander, Mrs. Harry (Adaline) Hilliard of Port Richey, Fla., and Mrs. William (Mildred) Carman of Claysville; 11 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Deceased are one brother, Fred McAdoo; three sisters, Bernice Thompson, Alma Whitehead and Mary Olive McAdoo; and one granddaughter.

George M. McAdoo

George M. McAdoo, 74, of Avella R.D.1, died in his home at 4 a.m. Thursday, December 27, 1984, following a lengthy illness.

Born November 18, 1910, in Independence Township, he was a son of John G. and Mary Maude Jones McAdoo.

He was a lifetime resident of Independence Township.

Prior to his retirement in 1971, he had been employed by Jessop Steel Corp. for 32 years.

Mr. McAdoo was a lifetime farmer and member of Independence Grange 179.

On September 12, 1940, he married Margaret B. McAdoo, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, John G. McAdoo of Washington, Clay McAdoo of Colliers R.D.1, W.Va., and Alan McAdoo of Avella R.D.1; two daughters, Mrs. Robert (Anne) Ohler Jr. of Wellsburg, W.Va., and Karen L. Bentzen of Washington; nine grandchildren; three brothers, William McAdoo of Avella R.D.2, James P. McAdoo of Avella R.D.1 and Kenneth McAdoo of Wadsworth, Ohio; and three sisters, Mrs. Glenn (Ruth) Barnhart and Mrs. Stanley (Gladys) Main, both of Claysville, and Mrs. Owen (Margaret) Hertig of West Alexander.

Two brothers, Donald and Eugene, are deceased.

Everett Patterson

Everett Bennett LeMoyné Patterson, 83, of North Johnson Road Extension, Houston, died Tuesday, July 31, 1984, in Canonsburg General Hospital after a lengthy illness.

He was born February 17, 1901, in Patterson's Mills, Cross Creek Township, a son of Albert and Eva Ross Patterson.

Mr. Patterson was a retired coal miner and a member of Israel AME Church, West Middletown.

His wife, Mary Alyce Kelley Patterson, died in 1959.

Surviving are four daughters, Evelyn Lacey of Houston, Barbara Gordon and Virginia Dockery, both of Washington, and Joann Brown of Warren, Ohio; four sons, John A. Patterson of Houston, William Patterson of Washington, James Patterson of Taylorstown and Curtis Patterson of Warren, Ohio; two sisters, Phoebe Thomas of Washington and Alice Kelley of West Middletown; 25 grandchildren; and 24 great-grandchildren.

Twelve children, four brothers and one sister are deceased. WM

Paul F. Patton

Paul F. Patton, 96, of Rusk, Texas, formerly of Follansbee, W.Va., and West Middletown, died Monday, October 13, 1986, in the Town Hall Nursing Estates in Rusk.

He was born February 11, 1890, in Jewett, Ohio, a son of Fre and Annette Patterson Patton.

Mr. Patton was Presbyterian. He was retired from Nationwide (Farm Bureau) Insurance.

His wife, Frances Parkinson Patton, died February 8, 1978.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Dorothy Graham of Rusk, Texas, and Mrs. Thomas (Jane) Croston of Follansbee; a son, Robert P. Patton of Jewett, Ohio; 10 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Deceased are two grandsons, one brother and one sister. WM

MRS. MARTHA NOLEN

Mrs. Martha Nolen, 91, well known West Middletown resident, died in her home at 6 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 2, 1949. She had been in poor health the past six weeks.

The descendant of a pioneer Washington County family, she was a daughter of Aaron and Ann Fuethy Welch, being born at West Middletown September 18, 1858.

Mrs. Nolen was the oldest member in point of membership in the Grove United Presbyterian Church. Her entire life was spent in the West Middletown community where for many years she operated the telephone exchange.

Her husband, John, died 61 years ago.

The aged woman was always interested in current events and was well informed of news and happenings of the world. Unable to walk for the past several years due to arthritis she had spent most of her time in reading.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. George Smith, West Middletown, two grandsons, J. H. Williams, Philadelphia, and Fred Williams, Strasburg, and three great-grandchildren. WM

Homer B. Patterson

Homer B. Patterson, 57, of North Franklin Street, Washington, died at 9:41 p.m. Friday, August 19, 1988, in Allegheny General Hospital.

Mr. Patterson was born March 15, 1931, in West Middletown, a son of Homer E. and Mary Jane Patterson. (BENNETT)

Mr. Patterson was a truck driver for P.G.T. Industries.

He was an umpire for Pony League baseball and a coach in the Mustang and Bronco Little League.

He had served in the U.S. Navy.

Surviving are his wife, Diana L. Levers; five sons, Terry Levers, Tim Levers, William Levers, Kevin Patterson and Brian Patterson, all of Washington; one daughter, Amy Sue Patterson of Washington; three brothers, Norman Patterson of Brownsville, Jack Patterson of Eaton, N.J., and Harry Patterson of Washington; one sister, Mrs. William (Janie) Boyd of Silver Spring, Md.; and one granddaughter.

Mary Jane Patterson

Mary Jane Patterson, 72, of Henderson Avenue, Washington, died Saturday, June 18, 1988, in Washington Hospital, following an illness of six months.

She was born September 18, 1915, in Washington, a daughter of John and Bessie Bennett.

Mrs. Patterson was a homemaker.

She was a member of the Israel A.M.E. Methodist Church in West Middletown.

Her husband, Homer E. Patterson, died in August 1963.

Surviving are four sons, Homer B. Patterson of Washington, Norman R. Patterson of Brownsville, Jack A. Patterson of Eatonwood, N.J., and Harry A. Patterson of Washington; one daughter, Mrs. William (Jane) Boyd of Silver Springs, Md.; 26 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

One stepsister, Rachel Owens, is deceased. WM

Edna D. Nixon

Edna Davidson Nixon, 92, of Presbyterian Home, Washington, formerly of Franklin Farms Road and the George Washington, died at noon Tuesday, November 26, 1985, in Presbyterian Home.

Born December 17, 1892, in Hopewell Township, she was a daughter of the late Isaac and Ella Smiley Davidson.

She attended Hickory High School and Indiana State Normal School.

Mrs. Nixon was formerly employed as a teacher.

She was a member of the Church of the Covenant and the Women's Association of the church.

On June 9, 1929, in New Castle, she married Clyde E. Nixon, who died February 1, 1976.

Surviving are one son, Clyde Gaylord Nixon of Ann Arbor, Mich.; one brother, Calvin Davidson of Avella; one sister, Helen Lyke of Washington, and three grandchildren, Scott, Bradley and Lisa Nixon.

Three sisters and three brothers are deceased.

Patterson

Services were held at the Israel AME Church, West Middletown, Monday, September 14, for Edith Patterson, 70, who died Thursday, September 10, 1981, in Washington Hospital at 3:05 p.m. Burial followed in West Middletown Cemetery.

She was born September 3, 1911, in Rea, a daughter of Louis and Bertha Patterson Moten.

She was married August 15, 1954, to Emmette J. Patterson, who died March 6, 1979.

Mrs. Patterson was a member of the Israel AME Church of West Middletown. She held all the offices of the church during her membership. She was also a member of the McKeever Library Association of West Middletown.

Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Monte Catlin of Washington and Mrs. Carl (Ruth) Dempster of Noblestown; five brothers, Howard Moten of Mingo Junction, Ohio, Arthur and Warren Moten, both of Washington, John Moten of Rea, and Wayne Moten of Avella; and many nieces and nephews.

Three brothers and one sister are deceased.

Arrangements were handled by the Jerome A. Stefkovich Funeral Home, Avella.

Adeline D. Pittman

Adeline D. Pittman, 67, of Hickory R.D.1, formerly of Avella, died at 11:10 a.m. Tuesday, August 21, 1984, in the Kade Nursing Home, Washington.

She was born August 23, 1916 in Independence Township, a daughter of Andrew and Sophia Grillus Stefkovich.

Mrs. Pittman was a member of the St. Michael Church of Avella and the Christian Mothers Guild of the church. She was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of American Legion Bert C. Siders Post No. 643 of Avella.

She was married September 19, 1935, to Floyd L. Pittman, who died June 15, 1980.

Surviving are three sisters, Mrs. Leo (Elizabeth) Ruschell of Avella, Agnes Fillipone of Reno, Nev., and Mrs. Andrew (Ethel) Bayus of Burgettstown; and two brothers, Albert and August Stefkovich, both of Avella.

Two brothers, Joseph and Andrew Stefkovich, are deceased. I

James W. Perrin

James W. Perrin, 74, of 1211 McCabe Avenue, Coraopolis, died Thursday, November 21, 1985, in Sewickley Valley Hospital, Sewickley.

He was born April 17, 1911, in Independence Township, a son of Clyde and Myrtle McMurray Perrin.

He was a member of the Mount Calvary United Presbyterian Church, Coraopolis.

Mr. Perrin was a member of Coraopolis Lodge 674 F&AM, Royal Arch Chapter 300, Chartiers Commandery, and Syria Temple.

Surviving are his wife, Eleanor Cowden Perrin; three sons, James, William and Thomas Perrin; two daughters, Sharon Swoger and Susan Flores; three sisters, Margaret Rohr of McKeesport, Mary Alice Robinson of Independence Township and Elizabeth Bratigan of Ohio, and seven grandchildren.

Private services were held at Saturday, November 23. Burial in Independence Cemetery.

H. Richard Pushey

H. Richard Pushey, 48, of Hopewell Township, died at 8:30 a.m. Sunday, February 19, 1984, in his home, following a two-year illness.

Born May 13, 1935, in Pittsburgh, he was a son of Mildred Anderson Pushey of Taylorstown, and the late Frank H. Pushey.

Until he became disabled and retired, Mr. Pushey had been employed by Columbia Gas Transmission Corp. for 22 years.

He was a member of the First Christian Church of Washington and also a member of Colgasco.

Prior to his illness, he served as an auditor and supervisor for Hopewell Township.

On August 20, 1960, he married Joyce A. Walters Pushey, who survives.

Also surviving are one son, Darren Pushey, and one daughter, Deneen Pushey, both at home; one sister, Mrs. David (Judy) Dorricott of Cleveland, Ohio.

Deceased is one brother, Dale Pushey.

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EVA MAE PATTERSON

Eva Mae Patterson, 93, of West Middletown, died at 12:55 p.m. Saturday, June 21, 1975 in Washington Hospital.

She was born February 15, 1882 in Patterson's Mill, the daughter of James and Elizabeth Kaylor Ross.

She was a member of the Israel AME Church of West Middletown, where she served on the stewardess board and was a member of the missionary society.

Mrs. Patterson was the oldest citizen of West Middletown.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Phoebe Thomas of Washington, Mrs. Alice Kelley of West Middletown; three sons, Everett Patterson of West Middletown, Robert Patterson of Washington, Emmett Patterson of Avella R.D.1; 28 grandchildren, 70 great-grandchildren and eight great-great-grandchildren.

Her husband, Albert Patterson, died in 1955. Two daughters, two sons, six brothers and one sister are deceased.

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FRANK L. PATTERSON

Frank L. Patterson, 40, of 720 Roosevelt Street, Washington, died unexpectedly at 8:30 a.m. Thursday, December 16, 1971, in Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, Ohio.

He was born December 12, 1931, in West Middletown, a son of Everett Patterson and the late Alice Kelley Patterson.

Surviving in addition to his father are his wife, Patricia Patterson; one son, Frank (Montie) and two daughters, Patricia and Stacy, all at home; four brothers, John and William Patterson, both of Houston; James Patterson of California state and Curtis Patterson in Kansas; and five sisters: Evelyn Lacey, Houston; Barbara Gordon, Washington; Virginia Burgess, Kansas; Joann Brown and Mazie Dungee, both of West Middletown.

W

Patterson

J. Vance Patterson, 91, formerly of Buffalo Village, died at 4 p.m. Friday, June 10, 1977, in the Fox Nursing Home, Chester, W.Va., after a lingering illness.

He was born November 2, 1885, in Hopewell Township near West Middletown, a son of William H. and Zella M. Work Patterson.

He was a member of the North Buffalo United Presbyterian Church, where he was a former elder.

Employed for a number of years by Molybdenum Corporation of America, he retired in 1962.

On December 25, 1906, he married Carrie E. Meyer who died June 24, 1966.

Surviving are one son, George T. Patterson of Claysville; four grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and one half-brother, Walter Patterson of Jewitt, Ohio.

Two sons, Allan (Pat) and John, one brother and one sister are deceased.

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Betty R. Patterson

Betty R. Patterson, 68, of Avella R.D.2, died at 5:50 p.m. Monday, March 21, 1988, in Washington Hospital.

She was born August 13, 1919, in Washington, daughter of S. Paul Ritchey of Avella R.D.2 and the late Mary Lytle Ritchey, who died in 1982.

Mrs. Patterson was married July 5, 1941, in West Alexander to David E. Patterson Sr., who survives.

She had been a resident of the West Middletown area for the past 54 years.

Surviving, in addition to her father and husband, are one daughter, Mrs. Douglas (Leanna) Charlesworth, and one son, David E. Patterson Jr., both of Avella R.D.2; seven grandchildren; and one sister, Mrs. Raymond (Marilou) Kimble of Waynesburg.

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Ritchey

Mary Lytle Ritchey, 89, died Tuesday, January 26, 1982, in Phoenix, Ariz., where she had lived the past 24 years.

She was born December 19, 1892, in Washington County, a daughter of William B. and Louise Campbell Lytle.

Surviving are her husband, S. Paul Ritchey; two daughters, Betty Patterson of Avella and Marilou Kimble of Horse Shoe, N.C.; five grandchildren, David E. Patterson Jr. of Avella, Mrs. Phillip (Carol) Narigon of Washington, William Kimble of Milaca, Minn., Mary Kimble of Tempe, Ariz., and Mrs. Douglas (Leanna) Charlesworth of Avella; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Two brothers and two sisters are deceased.

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L. J. (BUCK) PATTERSON

Leonard J. (Buck) Patterson, 67, of 179 Ohio Street, Washington, died Sunday, July 1, 1973, at 9:30 p.m., in the home of his son, 590 Baird Avenue, Washington.

He was born January 1, 1906, at Rea, a son of Nathan and Katherine Dawson Patterson.

He was employed as a manager of the West Chestnut Street Best Oil gas station, formerly Spurr for 30 years.

Surviving are his widow, Alice Perry Patterson; one son, Charles E. (Bud) Patterson, Washington; three daughters, Mary Ann Brager, Washington, Norma Jackson, Claysville R. D. 1, and Linda Patterson, at home; one brother, Henry C. Patterson, Washington; one sister, Mary Ann Cooper, Washington; and eight grandchildren. One son, Charles, six brothers, William H., James S., George E., Clark W., Eugene and Braden N. Patterson, and a sister, Sarah Deyell, are deceased.

T. SCOTT PEASE

Thomas Scott Pease, 86 of 390 Floral Hill Drive, South Strabane Township, died at 9:15 p.m. Saturday, April 22, 1972, in the South Hills Convalescent Center following an illness of 10 days.

He was born April 8, 1886, in South Strabane Township, a son of James Clinton Carson and Martha Cameron Pease.

Mr. Pease was a member of the Church of the Covenant, where he was a former deacon and elder. He had operated a farm in South Strabane Township and attended the Davis School.

He was a member of the Davis Grange and was active in the Washington County Fair Board.

Surviving are two brothers, C. Hayes Pease, of Avella, and Edward M., of Downers Grove, Ill., and several nieces and nephews.

Three sisters and two brothers are deceased.

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Hugh Parker

Hugh Elliott Parker, 54, of Avella, who had been a member of the Cross Creek Township Board of Supervisors since 1971, died at 9 a.m. Saturday, March 31, 1984, in Washington Hospital.

Born August 17, 1929, in Hickory, he was a son of the late Hugh Gavin Parker and Dorothy I. Scott Parker, who survives.

For the past 18 years, Mr. Parker has been active in Cross Creek Township affairs. He served as a road foreman and superintendent. Mr. Parker was elected to board of supervisors in 1971 and served as chairman until his death.

He was a founding father and served as chairman of the Cross Creek Valley Regional Planning Commission from its creation in 1977.

Mr. Parker was a major investigator in the establishment of the Cross Creek Valley Senior Citizens Center. He worked for the advancement of the Cross Creek Valley Park, spearheading the first combined efforts between municipal and county governments to expedite its opening.

He was an official of the Long Range Park Planning Commission and on the committee of the Community Development Corp. Mr. Parker was also active in the Ethanol Task Force and the Wool Processing Task Force.

He was a member of the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors.

Mr. Parker served in the U.S. Marine Corps during the Korean War.

On December 30, 1950, in St. Paul's Cathedral, Pittsburgh, he was married to Rosemerie Rector, who survives.

Surviving in addition to his wife and mother are two daughters, Monica Parker of Avella and Mrs. Mark (Holly) Onopiuk of Washington and a brother, Roy Parker of West Middletown.

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Homer Ross

Homer (Dutch) Ross, 77, of West Middletown, died at 8:20 a.m. Sunday, May 31, 1987, in his home. Born June 16, 1909, in Rea, he was a son of David and Lena Rea Ross.

Mr. Ross was a graduate of Avella High School and had lived in West Middletown for the past 74 years.

On May 12, 1939, he married Mary Balogh, who survives.

From 1937 to 1965, he worked as a mechanic for Brown and Husted of Washington and later worked for the Washington Oil Co. in Taylorstown prior to his retirement in 1973.

Mr. Ross served on the West Middletown Borough Council for many years.

He was a 66-year member of the Grove United Presbyterian Church of West Middletown and was a charter member of the West Middletown Fire Department. In addition, he was a member of the George Washington Chapter of the S.A.R. and the Fort Vance Historical Society.

Mr. Ross also served as a Boy Scout leader for many years.

During World War II, he served as a master sergeant with the U.S. Army.

Surviving, in addition to his wife, are one daughter, Mrs. Marc (Mary Martha) Gilbert of Brunswick, Ohio; one son, David Emery Ross of Issaquah, Wash.; and three grandsons.

Deceased are one son, Donald Rea Ross, who died September 3, 1947, and one brother, William Ross, who died in February 1978. WM

Mary Bell Craig Smith

Mary Bell Craig Smith, 91, a resident of the Washington County Health Center, formerly of Avella and Washington, died at 4:50 a.m. Tuesday, July 20, 1982. She had been ill for five years.

She was born April 7, 1891, in West Middletown, a daughter of John and Kate Bates Craig. She was graduated from Indiana State Normal School in 1914 and taught first at Possum Hollow School, near West Middletown, and later at Avella.

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

Her husband, Lynn W. Smith, died in 1957.

Surviving are one son, Edwin P. Smith of Cape Coral, Fla.; three daughters, Mrs. Daniel S. (Mildred) Morgan of Cape Coral, Fla., Mrs. Henry F. (Margaret) Keeling of State College and Mrs. Carlton W. (Esther) Johnson of Ambler; one brother, Stanley Craig of West Middletown; one sister, Bessie Smith of Avella; and 12 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

One brother, Alvin Craig, and one sister, Margaret Craig, are deceased. WM

ALBERT B. SIMS

Albert B. Sims, 78, of West Middletown, died at 3 a.m. Saturday, January 18, 1975, in his home.

He was born May 5, 1896 in Woodrow to Frank and Elizabeth Buchanan Sims and was married to Maude Liggett Sims, who died December 19, 1963.

Surviving are a son, Ray, at home; a daughter, Mrs. Ruth Murphy, of East Liverpool, Ohio; three grandchildren; three brothers, Thomas, of Hookstown; Orleff and Reed, both of Washington and two sisters, Mrs. Mary Alice Cole, of Marianna and Mrs. Loretta McDonald, of Washington. WM

Rush

Mabel G. Rush, 77, of Avella R.D. 1, died at 6:20 a.m. Monday, December 14, 1981 at Breese Rest Home in Claysville following a lingering illness.

She was born September 26, 1904, in East Finley Township, a daughter of Andy and Phoebe Whiteman Ewing.

Mrs. Rush was a resident of Avella for 33 years and was a member of Grace Bible Church in West Middletown.

She married Lawrence L. Rush Sr. on September 4, 1920. He died February 3, 1981.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. William (Eleanor) Tompkins of Washington, Mrs. Dewey (Geraldine) Baker of Cosopolis, and Mrs. Shirley McDaid of Avella; four sons, Lawrence L. Rush Jr. and C. Gary Rush of Avella, Reed E. Rush, Washington and W. Duane Rush, Greenville, S.C.; a sister, Mrs. Wray (Eleanor) Guess of Claysville; 21 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a brother, Henry Ewing, a sister, Daunice Odessa Ewing, and two half-brothers, Lester Ewing and Roy Whiterman.

MARY J. SHAMBAUGH

Mary J. Shambaugh of 509 Mt. Vernon Road, Newark, Ohio, died in her home Wednesday morning, May 1, 1974.

She was born in West Middletown, a daughter of Eben and Nancy B. Bartilson Jolley. A graduate of California State Teachers College, she taught for many years in Washington County before moving to Newark in 1949.

She was a member of Licking Chapter No. 551, Order of the Eastern Star, the Daughters of the Nile and Beauceant of Columbus, Ohio.

Surviving are her husband, William D. Shambaugh; one sister, Mrs. William Caldwell of Hickory, and several cousins.

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William L. Patterson

William Lewis Patterson, 80, of Keystone Heights, Fla., formerly of Avella, died in his home Saturday, November 26, 1983, following an extended illness.

He was born September 13, 1903, in Avella, a son of William Boyd and Bessie Snedeker Patterson.

He was an employee of Jessop Steel Co., Washington, for many years and he had farmed near Avella. He moved from Avella to Keystone Heights about 16 years ago.

Mr. Patterson was a member of the Lower Buffalo Presbyterian Church, Avella.

Surviving are his wife, Lora Hill Patterson of Keystone Heights; three daughters, Mrs. Glenn (Betty) Lucas of Keystone Heights and Mrs. Lora Jean DePetro and Mrs. Linda Lou Coen, both of Wellsburg, W.Va.; one stepson, Al Harlin of Westland, Mich.; two brothers, David E. Patterson of Avella and Harry Patterson of Orlando, Fla.; seven sisters, Mrs. Anna Liggett, Mrs. Arthur Williams, Mrs. Margaret Fulton and Mrs. Ione Smith, all of Keystone Heights, Mrs. Ethel Rutherford of Columbus, Ohio, Mrs. Eleanor Main of Detroit, Mich., and Mrs. Ron Keil of Lake Wales, Fla.; 17 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Services will be held at 4 p.m. Monday, November 28, in the DeWitt C. Jones Chapel in Keystone Heights, with the Rev. Sam Richardson officiating. Burial in Keystone Heights Cemetery.

Robert V. Sweger

Robert V. Sweger, 62, of Fox Drive, Avella R.D.1, died unexpectedly Friday morning, July 1, 1983, in Washington Hospital.

He was born January 15, 1921, in Pittsburgh, a son of John H. and Marian Beck Sweger.

Mr. Sweger had lived in the West Middletown community for the past 26 years, where he had owned and operated a lime and equipment business. He attended the Grove United Presbyterian Church of West Middletown.

Mr. Sweger had served as a road supervisor in Hopewell Township for 10 years, was a member of the Cross Creek Valley Regional Planning Commission and was on the board of Canonsburg General Hospital. He was a member of the Pennsylvania Firemen's Association and the West Middletown Advisory Council. Mr. Sweger was a veteran of World War II, serving as a tech sergeant with the Marine Air Casual Squadron 4 Marine Corps Air Depot, Miramar, Calif.

He was married June 21, 1948, to Marian Menzer King, who survives. Also surviving are two sons, Craig R. Sweger of Avella R.D.1 and Mark V. Sweger of Cleveland, Ohio; one daughter, Edna King Rohal of West Middletown; five grandchildren, Kristian, Lori and Todd Rohal and Matthew and Michael Sweger; three brothers, William Sweger of the state of California, John Howard Sweger of Pittsburgh and George Sweger of New Jersey; two sisters, Mrs. Dorothy Thomas of Bethel Park and Mrs. John (Susan) Satzger of Pittsburgh.

Deceased are two sisters and one brother. WM

Prideaux

Dr. William A. Prideaux Jr., 73, a well-known Claysville physician, died at 4:30 a.m. Monday, February 25, 1980, in Washington Hospital after a lingering illness.

He was born October 12, 1906, in Saxman, a son of Dr. W.A. Sr. and Maude Grumblin Prideaux, and grew up in Twin Rocks. He was a member of the United Presbyterian Church in Claysville. Dr. Prideaux graduated from high school in 1924, Washington and Jefferson College in 1928, and the University of Pennsylvania in 1932.

After his internship at West Penn Hospital in Pittsburgh, he moved in 1934 to Claysville, where he began his medical practice. Ill health forced his retirement in May 1979.

On October 31, 1934, he married Thelma Tarring, who survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Nicholas (Elizabeth Ann) Collins of Washington; one grandson, William N. Collins of Washington; and two sisters, Mrs. Mary Blackman of Johnstown and Mrs. Dornier, Jeanis of Greenville, N.C.

Two sisters, Mrs. Evelyn Smith and Catherine Prideaux, are deceased.

Perrin

Robert Vance Perrin, 62, of Avella RD1, died at 2:45 p.m. Saturday, October 22, 1983, in Washington Hospital.

He was born May 30, 1921, on the Perrin farm in Independence, a son of Clyde H. and Myrtle McMurray Perrin, and lived in the Avella area his entire life.

Mr. Perrin worked as an agent operator for 36 years with the Norfolk and Western Railroad, retiring in 1977.

He was a member of the Grove United Presbyterian Church of West Middletown. A veteran of World War II, he was a member of

On July 10, 1951, he married Margery Roe, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Richard and David Perrin, both of Avella RD1; three sisters, Mrs. Herbert (Margaret) Rohr of McKeesport, Mrs. Ernest (Mary Alice) Robison of Avella RD1, and Mrs. Earl (Elizabeth) Brautigan of Mogadore, Ohio; and one brother, James Perrin of Cosopolis.

Two brothers, Samuel and Clyde Perrin, are deceased. I

Andrew S. Ritchie Called Away From
Dec. 13 Earthly Scenes. 1892

After a long and most distressing illness, Andrew S. Ritchie, Esq., died on Saturday afternoon at his home, adjoining the borough, and this afternoon his body will be laid away in the Washington Cemetery.

For many years Mr. Ritchie held a responsible position in our oldest bank and was well known to our people. He was an enterprising citizen, a correct business man, pleasant in his intercourse with every body and popular among all classes. Outside of his immediate family circle there are many who mourn the demise of Mr. Ritchie.

For the accompanying sketch of his life we are indebted to the *Observer*.

Andrew S. Ritchie was born in Cross Creek township on Dec. 14, 1823. His grandfather, Andrew Ritchie, was a soldier of the Revolution who settled on Miller's Run just after the close of that war. In 1796 he purchased the tract of land in that township now known as the Ritchie farm upon which his grandson was born. After attending the common schools of Cross Creek township for several years and then the Academy at Florence he entered Washington college from which he graduated in 1840. Among his classmates were Frederick S. Barlow, who went down on the *Tecumseh* in the battle of Mobile Bay; Rev. Henry Q. Graham; Andrew P. Morrison, Robert G. Officer, Rev. Hugh O. Rosborough and other well known men who have been prominent and useful citizens. After his graduation Mr. Ritchie entered as a law student with Hon. T. M. T. McKenna and was admitted to the bar at the February term 1854. He never practiced law, however, but after traveling for several years was elected as justice of the peace for West Middletown borough. At college he was known as a most faithful student who especially excelled in mathematics and for many years his services were in demand in the settlement of estates. In 1865 he was chosen as teller of the First National Bank and remained in that position until about two years ago when his health broke down. In 1851 he married Jane McFadden, daughter of James McFadden, of West Middletown. They had four children, all of whom are living viz: James M., Annie, Chas. S. and Wm. B. WM

ANDREW STRICKO

Andrew Stricko, 75, of Avella R.D. 2, died at 5 a.m. Tuesday, November 13, 1973, in Washington Hospital.

A son of George and Elizabeth Kovalcik Stricko, he was born November 9, 1898 at Homestead, and had lived in the Avella R.D. 2 area for 61 years.

Surviving are two brothers, John, West Mifflin, and Steve, Bethel Park; two sisters, Mrs. Robert (Anna) Caldwell, West Alexander R.D. 2; and Mrs. George (Margaret) Hines, Avella R.D. 2; and several nieces and nephews.

A brother and a sister are deceased.

INFLUENZA IS FATAL TO MRS. MARY JANE SCOTT

Widely Known Woman of
Western Washington County
Dies at Home of Son at Buf-
falo—76 Years of Age.

1850—1926

Buffalo, April 20.—Mrs. Mary Jane Scott, aged 76 years, one of the widely known and highly respected women of western Washington county, died this afternoon at the home of her son, A. H. Scott, of this place, after an illness due to influenza and complications.

Her husband, David A. Scott, Civil war veteran who conducted a general store at Independence for a long period, died October 18, 1924.

A daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Welch, Mrs. Scott was born in the West Middletown section April 24, 1850. She spent her early life in that district and then lived at Independence. After Mr. Scott retired as a merchant, they lived at West Middletown until his death. Since his death, Mrs. Scott had lived with her son.

Her marriage to Mr. Scott was solemnized October 3, 1870. She was a member of the Grove United Presbyterian church. Besides the son with whom she resided, Mrs. Scott leaves only one sister, Mrs. Martha Nolan, of West Middletown.

Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Grove United Presbyterian church in charge of Rev. E. L. Eagleston. Interment will be in the Independence cemetery.

Patterson

Emmette J. Patterson, 60, of West Middletown, died in Washington Hospital at 12 p.m. Tuesday, March 6, 1979.

He was born August 15, 1918, in West Middletown, a son of Albert and Eva (Ross) Patterson.

On August 15, 1954, he married Edith Moten, who survives.

He was a resident of West Middletown his entire life, was employed in the Mason Department of Weirton Steel Corp. for 30 years, was a member of Israel AME Church and the Board of Trustees of the church, the McKeever Library Association, West Middletown volunteer fire department, and Independent Steel Workers Union.

Surviving in addition to his wife are one brother, Everett, Houston; two sisters, Mrs. Phoebe Thomas, Washington, and Mrs. Alice Kelley, West Middletown, and several nieces and nephews.

Three brothers and one sister are deceased. WM

Rush

Lawrence L. Rush Sr. 33 of Avella R.D. 1, died at 8 p.m. Friday, February 6, 1981 in Washington Hospital after a three-week illness.

He was born October 8, 1897 in Greene County, a son of Layton and Jennie Rush. He lived in the West Middletown area for the past 30 years.

Mr. Rush belonged to Grace Bible Church. He worked for Weirton Steel Co. and was a farmer, retiring in 1969.

On September 4, 1920, he married Mabel Ewing, who survives. The couple celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary last year.

Also surviving are four sons, Lawrence L. Rush Jr. of Avella R.D. 1, Reed Rush of Washington, Gary Rush of Avella R.D. 1 and Duane Rush of Greenville, S.C. three daughters, Mrs. William (Eleanor) Tompkins of Washington R.D. 5, Mrs. Dewey (Geraldine) Baker of Coonopolis and Mrs. Shirley McDaid of Avella R.D. 1. 21 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and one sister, Mrs. Lloyd (Dorothy) Conklin of Washington R.D. 1.

Two brothers and one sister are deceased. I

Jane D. Sawyer

Jane D. Sawyer, 66, of Avella R.D. 2, died Sunday, January 1, 1981, in Washington Hospital.

Born November 30, 1917, in Washington, she was a daughter of Alexander M. and Elizabeth S. Acheson Donnan.

Mrs. Sawyer had been a resident of Avella R.D. 2 for the past 10 years, and was a member of Grove United Presbyterian Church of West Middletown.

She received a bachelor's degree from Wilson College, Chambersburg, and a master's degree from Teacher's College, Columbia University, New York City, N.Y.

She taught elementary education for a short time in Quantico, Va.

On July 4, 1942, she married George Sawyer, who survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Mary S. Hausch of Westchester; Mrs. Lawrence E. (Elizabeth S.) Johnson of Louisville, Ky.; and Miss Anne D. Sawyer of Neptune Beach, Fla.; two sons, Alexander D. Sawyer, New York City, N.Y., and Michael G. Sawyer of Fort Collins, Col.; two grandchildren; two brothers, Alvan Donnan of Hockessin, Del., and David A. Donnan of Pittsburgh; one sister, Mrs. Carol G. (Elizabeth A.) Smith of Hershey. WM

Smith

Guy Smith, 83, of Avella R.D. 1, died in his home at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 18, 1982.

He was born May 13, 1899, on the Smith farm in Independence Township, a son of Ernest and Martha Farrer Smith.

He was married September 26, 1923, in West Middletown, to Bessie Craig, who survives.

Mr. Smith was a farmer in Independence Township all of his life. He was a member of the Grove United Presbyterian Church of West Middletown, Sunset Lodge 623 F&AM of Washington and Independence Grange 179. He was a past grange master.

Mr. Smith had been a road supervisor for Independence Township and director of the Farm Bureau. He was acting president of Mt. Hope Cemetery Association.

Surviving in addition to his wife are two sons, Howard and Lloyd Smith, both of Avella R.D. 1; one sister, Mrs. Roger (Evelyn) Hodgden of Battle Creek, Mich.; two grandchildren, Scott and Carrie Lynn; and one great-granddaughter, Heather.

One sister, two brothers and one grandson are deceased. WM

Tilton

Charles L. (Barney) Tilton, 73, of 520 Hayes Avenue, Washington, died at 8:35 p.m. Monday, March 24, 1980, in The Washington Hospital Extended Care Facility.

He was born January 11, 1907, in West Middletown, a son of William H. and Sarah Jane Fry Tilton.

He had been employed for 40 years by the Molybdenum Corporation, retiring in 1968.

A veteran of World War II, he was a member of Edwin Scott Linton American Legion Post 175 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 927, and a member of the Willow Grove Rifle Club.

His first wife, Catherine Streitman Anderson Tilton, died July 14, 1969.

Surviving are his wife, Elizabeth M. Clauser Mowell Tilton; three stepsons, Gene Mowell of Amherst, Va., John Anderson of Washington and George Anderson of Widefield, Colo.; two stepdaughters, Dorothy Stungis of Powhatan Point, Ohio, and Catherine Allen, Washington; one sister, Daisy Gallagher of Norwich, Ohio; a half-sister, Wilma Durbin, Sycamore; 27 grandchildren and 49 great-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were a brother, Ray Tilton; two stepdaughters, Ruth Anderson and Martha Conway, and two stepsons, Wray Anderson and Joseph M. Mowell. UB

MRS. H. L. SNODGRASS
Mrs. Idella Herron Snodgrass, widow of Dr. H. L. Snodgrass, died Monday morning, May 22, 1939, in home in Buffalo Village. The immediate cause of death was pneumonia and complications, though she had been ill for a long period and had lost her power of sight.

She was a daughter of Samuel and Sarah McCreeby Herron and was born January 3, 1856, in the former Rittenr homestead, near North Buffalo United Presbyterian Church. Her early years were spent in Harrison County, O. In 1881 she moved to the Mt. Hope community, from which she moved to Buffalo. She was married to Dr. Snodgrass on May 3, 1900.

She is survived by one daughter, Ida H. Snodgrass, a member of the faculty of the high school ataddock and one brother, Charles E. Herron, of Jefferson avenue, Washington.

Funeral services will be held in the home at 2 o'clock Wednesday, May 24, in charge of the Rev. C. B. Beckland, pastor of the Upper Buffalo Presbyterian Church and the Rev. Joseph Hamilton, a former pastor. Burial will be in the Buffalo Cemetery.

THOMAS A. STEWART
Thomas A. Stewart, Wilkinsburg, formerly of Washington, died at Magee Hospital in Pittsburgh at 10:45 p. m., Thursday as the result of a heart condition. While Mr. Stewart had been in poor health for some weeks he had seemed to be gaining strength and his death was unexpected.

A son of Galbraith and Phebe McKeever Stewart, Thomas A. Stewart was born at West Middletown, October 19, 1860. He attended Washington & Jefferson College, graduating in the class of 1880. For some time thereafter he engaged in farming at West Middletown and later was interested in the brick business at Toronto, O. In 1898 he became assistant postmaster at Washington and served for 10 years or more in that capacity. Of recent years he had been in the insurance and mortgage business in Pittsburgh.

He is survived by one brother, William G. Stewart, Wilkinsburg, and a number of nephews and nieces. The late Mrs. Ernest F. Acheson and the late Mrs. Winfield McIlvaine, both of Washington, were sisters.

Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock at the W. B. Ritchie Funeral Home, East Wheeling street, in charge of the Rev. Dr. Henry C. Rogers, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, assisted by the Rev. Dr. W. E. Stemons. Burial will be in Washington Cemetery.

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Umphrey

Joseph C. Umphrey, 87, of West Middletown, died Monday, August 22, 1977, at 4 p.m. in Washington Hospital.

He was employed at Finley Refractories for 19 years before retiring in 1973.

He was married to the late Lucy Mae Patterson, and had lived in West Middletown most of his life.

He was a member of West Middletown AME Church.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Thomas (Nancy Marlene) Standard, Monessen; three sons, George Carter, Strabane, Melvin Duane, Cleveland, Ohio, Joseph Donald, West Middletown; seven grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

One brother and one sister are deceased. WM

Bertha K. Plants

Bertha King Plants, 90, of 862 Beech Street, Washington, died at 3 a.m. Wednesday, June 3, 1987, in South Hills Convalescent Center following a lingering illness.

She was born November 24, 1896, in Spring Hill Township, Greene County, a daughter of Daniel R. and Mary M. Barnhart King.

Mrs. Plants was a member of the Windy Gap Church of God in Greene County.

She had been a school teacher, and had taught in the East Finley Township and Morris Township schools.

Her last place of employment was Satisfaction Cleaners of Washington.

Mrs. Plants was a member of the Brownson House. She also served as treasurer of the Daughters of America Lodge.

She married Otto V. Plants, who is deceased.

Surviving are one son, Crell Virgil Plants Sr. of West Middletown; one grandson, Crell Virgil Plants Jr. of Merritt Island, Fla.; one brother, Raymond King of Fredricktown; three sisters, Myrtle Cross of Warren, Ohio, Ruth Van Horn of Akron, Ohio, and Ila Narigon of Washington; and one great-granddaughter.

Deceased are five brothers, Charles L., Robert, James W., William and Earl E. King; and two sisters, Goldie Rhodaback and Elizabeth Reeves.

George C. Umphrey

George C. Umphrey, 45, of 205 Latimer Avenue, Strabane, died unexpectedly Tuesday, November 13, 1984, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh.

He was born January 13, 1939, in West Middletown, a son of the late Joseph and Lucy Mae Patterson Umphrey.

He was a supervisor at the General Electric plant in Bridgeville. He served in the U.S. Army for four years.

On July 6, 1963, he married Jacquelyn Lindsey, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Stephanie and Patti Umphrey, both at home; one sister, Marlene Standard of Monessen; and two brothers, Donald Umphrey of West Middletown and Melvin Umphrey of Cleveland, Ohio.

Andy Slay

Andy (Red) Slay, 78, of Avella R.D.3, died Sunday, October 16, 1988, at 12:27 a.m. in Washington Hospital.

He was born October 10, 1910, in Treveskyn, a son of Frank and Julie Slay.

On January 13, 1934, he married Ruby Yanko, who survives.

He had lived most of his life in the Avella area. He worked as a coal miner and was a member of the United Mine Workers of America. He also worked for Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel, retiring in 1972.

He was a member of Avella Presbyterian Church, Polar Star Mutual Benefit Society, SNPJ Lodge 292, Avella Sportsmen's Club, and the United Steel Workers.

Surviving, in addition to his wife, are two sons, Andy Slay Jr. of Dover, Ohio, and Bernard Slay of Bulger; two granddaughters and a grandson; a great-granddaughter; and a brother, Steve Slay of Dobbs Ferry, N.Y.

Deceased are eight brothers and two sisters. I

MARGARET V. RUSH

Margaret Vankirk Rush, 71, of West Middletown, died Friday, Oct. 7, 1966, at 6:50 a. m. in Washington Hospital.

She was born June 6, 1895, in Hopewell Township, a daughter of Holtz B. and Sarah Frances Vankirk Williams, and spent all her life in the West Middletown area.

She was married March 23, 1915, to Stanley O. Rush, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Howard H., of McMurray; Albert L., of West Middletown, and Cyrus G., of Eighty Four; two daughters, Mrs. Elizabeth Hodgens, of Washington, and Miss Geraldine Rush, of Carnegie; two sisters, Mrs. Ruth Bebout, of Washington, and Mrs. Harry Ferris, of Stanford, Conn.; 17 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

A son, James O. Rush, died in 1963. Four brothers and two sisters are also deceased. WM

George A. Wolf

George Arthur Wolf, 82, of 80 McClay Road, Washington, died at 11:55 p.m. Thursday, April 2, 1987, in Washington Hospital.

He was born January 30, 1905, in Canton Township, a son of George A. and Margaret Arthur Wolf.

Mr. Wolf retired in 1970 after 30 years with the National Annealing Box Co. He was a 1925 graduate of East Washington High School and a 1927 graduate of Duff's Iron City Business College.

He was married June 29, 1938, to Sara Denny, who survives.

Also surviving are one son, G. Marvin Wolf of Washington; one daughter, Sarah Janice Wolf at home; and four grandchildren, Stacey, Amy, Kristin and Craig Wolf, all of Washington.

A son, Raymond Arthur Wolf, died in infancy. WM

Paul R. Temple

Paul R. Temple, 84, of Avella R.D.1, died at 4:45 p.m. Saturday, June 25, 1988, in his home.

He was born November 14, 1903, in Washington, son of Alpheus Jacob and Lydia Crumrine Temple.

On April 24, 1924, he married Janet Miller Temple, who died December 9, 1973.

He worked as a self-employed gunsmith and painter. He also worked for the John Pence Contracting Company as a painter.

Mr. Temple raised beef cattle on his farm in Independence Township. He lived the past 50 years in the Avella area.

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

Surviving are a son, John R. Temple of West Middletown; a brother, Charles B. Temple of Washington; a sister, Mary Miller of Columbus, Ohio; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

A sister, Hestor Fair, is deceased. WM

Avella man dies in construction accident in W.Va.

An Avella R.D.1 man died Thursday evening in Fairmont, W.Va., as a result of a head injury he suffered in a construction accident.

William E. Schubenski, 30, was pronounced dead on arrival at about 7 p.m. in Fairmont General Hospital.

A Fairmont newspaper reporter said Schubenski, a construction worker employed by the Alex E. Paris Construction Co. of Atlasburg, was struck in the head with a sheet of metal after a cable holding the metal either slipped or broke.

The accident occurred at about 6:20 p.m. in Baxter, W.Va., about five miles northeast of Fairmont, while Schubenski was standing in a 12-by-10 hole, according to the reporter. The sheet of metal, which also measured 12 feet by 10 feet, was to have been a cover for the hole.

It is reported that Alex Paris was the contractor hired to install sewer lines for a project expected to cost between \$7 million and \$10 million.

The company had been working in the Fairmont area for about a year, the reporter said.

Schubenski had been employed by Alex Paris for the past five years.

William E. Schubenski

William E. Schubenski, 30, of Avella R.D.1, died Thursday, June 23, 1988, in Fairmont (W.Va.) General Hospital following a construction accident while working for Alex E. Paris Construction Co. of Atlasburg, where he had been employed for the past five years.

He was born December 6, 1957, in Washington, son of William G. and Wilma Peterson Schubenski of Avella R.D.2.

Mr. Schubenski was married September 27, 1980, to Kathy Carl of Avella R.D.1, where the couple had lived for the past six years.

Mr. Schubenski was a 1976 graduate of Avella High School.

He was formerly employed by Koppers Corp. of Follansbee, W.Va., and Bridgeville.

Mr. Schubenski was a member of Grove United Presbyterian Church of West Middletown, Avella Athletics Inc., Polar Star Mutual Benefit Society and SNPJ Lodge, all of Avella. He was also a member of United Steel Workers Local 14693.

Surviving, in addition to his wife and parents, are one son, Ryan at home; two brothers, Robert Schubenski of Avella and James Schubenski of Avella R.D.2; maternal grandmother, Julia Peterson of Avella R.D.2; and paternal grandmother, Ann Mega of Follansbee, W.Va. WM

WIEGMANN

MRS. SOPHIA WIGMANN

Mrs. Sophia Gertrude Wiegmann, of Avella, died at 3:15 p.m. Thursday, September 16, 1971.

She was born October 3, 1897, in Brooke County, West Virginia, a daughter of William and Anna Maderia Stewart. Mrs. Wiegmann had lived in the Avella community since 1919 and was a member of the Avella Presbyterian Church and the Eastern Star of Burgettstown.

Surviving are her husband, James M. Wiegmann; three sons: James W., of Yorkville, Ohio; Robert S., of Colliers, W. Va., and George L., of San Diego, Calif., and seven grandchildren.

One brother is deceased.

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LUCY MAE UMPHREY

Mrs. Lucy Mae Umphrey, 57, of West Middletown, died at 9:40 a.m. Saturday, October 31, 1970, in Mercy Hospital, Pittsburgh. She had been hospitalized for the past three months.

She was born November 3, 1912, in West Middletown, a daughter of the late Albert Patterson and Mrs. Eva Patterson, of West Middletown, who survives.

She was a member of the Israel AME Church, of West Middletown, and the Missionary Society of the church.

Surviving, besides her mother, are her husband, Joseph Umphrey; one daughter, Marlene, wife of Thomas Standard, of Monessen; three sons: George, of Strabane; Melvin, of Cleveland, Ohio, and Donald, of West Middletown; six grandchildren; three brothers: Robert, of Washington, and Everett and Emmett, of West Middletown; two sisters: Mrs. Alice Kelley, of West Middletown, and Mrs. Phoebe Thomas, of Washington.

Two brothers are deceased.

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Surviving are her husband, James M. Wiegmann; three sons: James W., of Yorkville, Ohio; Robert S., of Colliers, W. Va., and George L., of San Diego, Calif., and seven grandchildren.

One brother is deceased.

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White

James A. White, 67, of Washington R.D.3, died at 11:15 p.m. Monday, January 18, 1982, in Washington Hospital.

He was born July 7, 1914, in West Middletown, a son of Henry Roy and Hazel Martha Lowery White.

A resident of Washington since childhood, he attended the Washington public schools and was a member of West Washington United Methodist Church.

Mr. White was manager of McWreath Dairy for 40 years and was later employed by Schneider Dairy and Daily's Juice Products Co. until he became ill November 12, 1980.

Surviving are his wife, Marie Piper White, to whom he was married December 23, 1949; a son, James McClelland of Arnold, Calif.; two daughters, Mrs. Louise Seale of Miami, Fla., and Mrs. Darrel (Emma Jean) Johnston of Washington; a brother, Charles K. White of Youngstown, Ohio; a sister, Mrs. Edward (Flora) Pettit of Baltimore, Md.; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

One sister, Martha Fields, is deceased.

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Clara Wylie Wallace

Clara Wylie Wallace, 96, of Washington died Wednesday, March 16, 1988, at Southminster Place.

She was born November 21, 1891, in Washington the daughter of William and Mary Gist Wylie.

On May 20, 1920, she married Frank Myler Wallace.

She was a member and president of the class of 1911 of Washington Seminary. She also attended and spoke at the 75th commencement anniversary meeting in 1986 and was the oldest living alumnus of the seminary. She was a member of the Church of the Covenant. Mrs. Wallace was president emeritus of the Washington County Historical Society and president of Washington and Jefferson College Auxiliary.

Her memberships included Washington Hospital Auxiliary, Current Events Club, Daughters of American Revolution, Daughters of American Colonists, Colonial Daughters of the 17th Century, Magna Carta, Royal Order of the Crown and Sigma Theta Sorority.

Surviving are a son, William H. Wallace of Tucson, Ariz., and a granddaughter, Holly Beall Wallace of New York City, N.Y. Her nephews, William Beall Wylie and Gist Miller Wylie, live in Washington.

A brother, William Gist Wylie, and a sister, Eliz Beall Wylie, are deceased.

James M. Wiegmann

James M. Wiegmann, 94, of Avella, died Tuesday, March 11, 1986, in East Ohio Regional Hospital, Martins Ferry, Ohio.

He was born June 7, 1891, in Patterson Mills, son of W.W. and Laura Moore Wiegmann.

On December 3, 1919, he married Sophia Gertrude Stewart, who died September 16, 1971.

Mr. Wiegmann worked as a funeral director in Avella from 1914 to 1970. He was a graduate of Echols Mortuary College of Philadelphia.

He was a member of the Richard Vaux Lodge No. 454 F&AM of Burgettstown, becoming a member in 1920. He was a 32nd Degree Mason and a member of the Scottish Rite of New Castle. He was a charter member of the American Legion Bert C. Siders Post 643 of Avella.

A veteran, he served with the U.S. Army during World War I.

Mr. Wiegmann was a charter member of the Avella Volunteer Fire Department and a member of the Avella Presbyterian Church.

He is the last of his immediate family.

Surviving are three sons, James W. Wiegmann of Yorkville, Ohio, Robert S. Wiegmann of Colliers, W. Va., and George L. Wiegmann of San Diego, Calif., seven grandchildren; four great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are four sisters, Edith Cole, Luella Southerland, Hilda Moore and Irene Wiegmann.

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YEVINS

Joseph Yevins, 78, of West Middletown, died Sunday, January 24, 1982, in the Hixenbaugh Convalescent Home in Claysville.

He was born February 24, 1903, in Wilksboro, a son of George and Anna Yevins.

He was married April 13, 1925, to Mary Elizabeth Buchanan, who died December 8, 1971.

Mr. Yevins lived for the past 51 years in West Middletown. He attended the Christian Church of West Middletown.

He was a United Mine Worker for 30 years. He also worked for the state department of transportation for eight years as a blacksmith. He also was a woodworker, making furniture in a shop in his home.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Elwood (Pauline) McDougan of West Middletown and Mrs. John (Margaret) Ortlay of Avella R.D.3; two sons, Elbert and Harry, both of West Middletown; four grandchildren; three great-grandchildren, and two sisters, Mrs. Mary Parpovich of Pittsburgh and Mrs. Susan Novak of Pontiac, Mich.

Deceased are two brothers and one sister.

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FLUENZA FATAL

TO H. B. WILLIAMS

Prominent Resident of West Middletown Succumbs to Epidemic in His Home Following a Short Illness

1928
West Middletown, Dec. 30.—An illness of 24 hours of influenza and asthmatic complications resulted fatally to H. B. Williams, one of the best known farmers and stock raisers of Hopewell township, in his home two miles south of this place, Saturday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. He was aged 77 years. Funeral services in the Grove U. P. church of this place, will be held Tuesday at 2 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Mr. Hughes, pastor of the Grove church and Rev. A. P. Duncan, pastor of the Mt. Hope U. P. church. The interment will be in the West Middletown cemetery.

the aged man, Mr. Williams, who was a son of James W. and Nancy Bartleson Williams, was born near Taylorsville, January 17, 1852. He spent his early life in that neighborhood, but for nearly a half century had been a resident of the West Middletown section, where he had followed farming and stock raising successfully. He was married to Miss Frances Vankirk, December 23, 1875, and three years ago they celebrated the 50th anniversary of their marriage. The 53rd anniversary of their marriage last week was passed quietly without celebration.

Besides his wife, Mr. Williams leaves nine children: Mrs. E. C. Sawhill, Crafton Heights; Mrs. Harry Ferris, Greenwich, Conn.; Mrs. Harry Babout, Wolfdale; Mrs. John Brownlee, Mrs. Stanley Rush, West Middletown; Arthur S. Williams, Woodville; C. W. Williams and Glenn H. Williams, assistant county superintendent of schools, West Middletown, and James Williams, residing at home. Twenty-six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren also survive. One brother, James Williams, lives in Wisconsin.

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Lena Bell Walbrow

Lena Bell Walbrow, 83, of Brightwood Nursing Home, Follansbee, W. Va., formerly of Avella, died at 9:40 p.m. Monday, September 26, 1988, in St. John Medical Center, Steubenville, Ohio.

She was born in Independence Township September 11, 1905, daughter of George S.P. and Margaret Richey Smith.

On June 1, 1924, she married Henry Scott Walbrow, who died September 1928.

Mrs. Walbrow had lived in West Virginia since 1982 and was a former member of West Middletown Christian Church.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Andrew (Grace) Shedkiac of Wellsburg, W. Va., Mrs. Howard (Laura) Farrell of Eighty Four and Mrs. John (Darlene) Cunningham of Wellsburg, W. Va.; one son, George F. Walbrow of Steubenville, Ohio; three sisters, Mrs. Mary Sheller and Mrs. Alma White, both of Wellsburg, W. Va., and Mrs. Wileta Whaley of Canton, Ohio; one brother, John W. Smith of Independence; 16 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter.

Three brothers, Starling, Harry and Martin Smith, are deceased.

Thomas Young, An Aged and Respected Resident of Buffalo Village — Was 82 Years of Age.

WAS PROGRESSIVE AS AGRICULTURIST

After eating a hearty dinner Thomas Young, of Buffalo Village, an inmate of the County home at Arden, walked into the yard yesterday and fell dead. When picked up life was extinct. He was aged 82 years. Heart trouble was the cause of his death. The body of Mr. Young will be taken to Buffalo Village today and funeral services will be held from the Buffalo Presbyterian church at 2:30 o'clock conducted by the Rev. J. C. Strubel. The interment will be made in the Buffalo burying grounds.

Mr. Young was a man of more than ordinary ability and for many years was a teacher in the schools of Washington county. He had grown very feeble both in mind and body during the past few years and on September 22 was taken to the home, where he had remained until his death yesterday.

Mr. Young was born in Strabane township, where he spent his early boyhood. When quite young he moved to the Buffalo section with his parents and resided on the Julius Miller farm now owned by Robert Farrer. He was industrious and aspired for a higher education than was afforded in the common schools at that day. He attended the Buffalo academy and later the West Alexander academy. He was bright and studious and made rapid progress in his books.

After leaving the academy he began teaching school and for many years taught in Hopewell township. He left the school room and took up the occupation of farmer and later purchased among the first horsepower threshing machines in this section. He followed this up with the steam thresher and continued in this business until advancing age prevented.

LATE in life Mr. Young was united in marriage to Miss Mary Kerns. To them one son was born, Thomas Young, Jr., residing near Buffalo Village with his aged mother. He is about 16 years of age. Mr. Young was a constant attendant at the Buffalo church during the time he was able to be about.

ARTHUR F. WILLIAMS

Arthur F. Williams, of West Middletown, died Friday, April 26, 1963, at 10:55 a. m. in Washington Hospital, where he had been a patient one month.

He was born Dec. 7, 1884, in Hopewell Township, a son of Holtz B. and Sarah Frances Vankirk Williams. He was farm superintendent at the Woodville County Home until 1941, and later was plant protector at Universal Cyclops Steel Corp., Bridgeville, retiring in 1949. Since then, he lived at West Middletown.

Mr. Williams was a member of the Grove United Presbyterian Church and the 20-Year Service Club of Woodville, and a former member of the Carnegie Rotary Club.

Surviving are his wife, Anna Florence Miller Williams; three sons, J. Halden Williams, Philadelphia; Fred A. Strasburg, and Howard H. (Pete), Greentree; one step son, Warren Williams, Warrington; two step daughters, Mrs. Kathleen Liddick, Burlington, Ill., and Mrs. Jean Wright, Miami, Fla.; three sisters, Mrs. Jessie Ferris, Stamford, Conn.; Mrs. Margaret Rush, West Middletown, and Mrs. Ruth Bebout, Washington, and three grandchildren. Three brothers and two sisters are deceased.

Ugron

Stephen Frank Ugron, 72, of Avella, died at 4:30 p. m. Tuesday, August 5, 1980, in his home.

He was born March 8, 1908, on Highland Avenue, Avella, a son of Louis S. and Mary K. Albrecht Ugron.

On November 9, 1938, he married Kathleen Vance. The couple lived in the Avella area all their lives. Mr. Ugron worked as a miner for 18 years and belonged to the UMW. For 10 years, he worked for the A.J. Parson Construction Co., Washington, and for 12 years, he worked for the Sutherland Lumber Co., Burgettstown, before retiring in 1974. Mr. Ugron belonged to the Cross Creek United Presbyterian Church.

Surviving in addition to his wife are a son, Donald L. Ugron of Clemson, S.C.; one grandson, Duane L. Ugron; two sisters, Mathilda Stephenson of Mineral Point and Lorane Burgess of El Reno, Okla.; and one brother, Richard W. Ugron of Rochester, N.Y.

JAMES W. WILLIAMS

James W. Williams, 83, of West Middletown, died at 10:10 p. m. Monday, Jan. 23, 1961, in Washington Hospital, after a serious illness of three weeks. He had been in failing health for several years.

Mr. Williams was born Sept. 2, 1877, in Hopewell Township, a son of the late Holtz B. and Sarah Frances Vankirk Williams.

He was formerly a farmer in Hopewell Township and had resided in West Middletown for the past 10 years. He was a member of West Middletown Christian Church.

Surviving are one brother, Arthur F., West Middletown and three sisters, Mrs. Jessie Ferris, Stamford, Conn.; Mrs. Ruth Bebout, Washington and Mrs. Mar-

Olga Bogo

Avella resident was cook at Breezy Heights Tavern

Olga Bogo, 85, of Avella, died at 7:25 p. m. Sunday, February 23, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington.

She was born April 22, 1917, in Arden, a daughter of Ettore and Ida Batocchi Antonioli.

She liked to cook and at one time was a cook at Breezy Heights Tavern in Avella and Daley's Pie Shop in Hickory.

On August 18, 1935, she married Albert A. Bogo, who died June 2, 1990.

Surviving are a daughter, Barbara Bogo of Avella; two sons, Joseph Bogo of Avella and Ronald Bogo of Paris; nine grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; a brother, Ettore Antonioli of Washington; and a sister, Edith Wolf of Washington.

Deceased are a son, Albert "Sonny" Bogo; three brothers, Julius, Joe and Jimmy Antonioli; and two sisters, Mira Simonini and Irma Antonioli.

Wilhelm

Lauretta Wilhelm, 81, of West Middletown, died at 9:50 p. m. Sunday, June 26, 1977, in Washington Hospital.

She was born March 10, 1896, in Mt. Hope Ridge.

On November 10, 1920, she married George Wilhelm, who survives. They have lived in West Middletown since their marriage.

She was a member of North Buffalo Presbyterian Church and Moody Bible Sabbath Sunday School Class.

Surviving in addition to her widower are three daughters, Mrs. Fred (Gladys) Anderson, West Middletown, Mrs. Sarah Brownlee, West Middletown, and Mrs. Joe (Jean) Kovalicik, Avella R.D.2; one brother, Reed Cain, Loudonville, Ohio; seven grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Two brothers and one grandson, John Brownlee Jr., are deceased.

George H. Wilhelm

George H. Wilhelm, 85, of Avella R.D. 1, died Wednesday, October 1, 1986, at 2 p. m. in Breese Personal Care Home.

He was born March 26, 1901, in Moundsville, W. Va.

Mr. Wilhelm lived in the West Middletown area most of his life. On November 10, 1920, he married Lauretta Wilhelm, who died June 26, 1977.

He worked as an operator for Tri-State Engineering Company from 1948 until his retirement in 1963. He was a member of North Buffalo United Presbyterian Church.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Fred (Gladys) Anderson and Mrs. Sarah Brownlee, both of West Middletown, and Mrs. Joe (Jean) Kovalicik of Avella R.D.2; a sister, Mrs. Goldie Taylor of Dallas, Texas; seven grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren, and a great great grandson.

Two sisters, Myrtle and Zella; a brother, Harry; several stepbrothers and stepsisters and a grandson, John Brownlee Jr., are deceased.

Helen E. Shaw

Manager and buyer for Grant's Drygoods Store

Helen E. Shaw, 90, formerly of Belmont Avenue, Canonsburg, died Tuesday, February 11, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born July 23, 1912, a daughter of William Arthur and Edna Morgan Shaw.

Mrs. Shaw was employed as a manager and buyer for Grant's Drygoods Store in Canonsburg for many years.

She was a charter member of Canonsburg General Hospital Women's Auxiliary and BPW of Canonsburg.

Mrs. Shaw was a member of Canonsburg United Presbyterian Church.

Surviving are three cousins. Deceased are a brother, William A. Shaw; and a sister, Sara M. Shaw.

Albert Yevins

Albert Yevins, 58, of West Middletown, died at 11:32 a. m. Monday, March 23, 1987 in the Washington Hospital emergency room.

Born in Cross Creek Township August 23, 1928, he was a son of the late Joseph and Mary Elizabeth Buchanan Yevins.

He worked for six years as a coal miner and was a former member of the United Mine Workers of America.

Most recently, he was employed by the Climax Molybdenum Co. of Langeloth, where he had been employed since 1951. In addition, he worked as a part-time farmer, raising beef cattle.

Mr. Yevins was a U.S. Army veteran. All of his life was spent in the West Middletown area, where he was a member of the West Middletown Christian Church, where he served as a deacon.

Mr. Yevins was also a member of the United Autoworkers of America and the Loyal Order of the Moose of Washington.

Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Elwood (Pauline) McDougan of West Middletown and Mrs. John (Margaret) Ortity of Avella; one brother, Harry Yevins of West Middletown; and several nieces and nephews.

Geraldine Halley

Former West Middletown resident

Geraldine Farrar Halley, 68, of Newcastle, Wash., formerly of Rockford, Ill., and West Middletown, died at 1:45 a. m. Wednesday, February 19, 2003, in Mercer Island Care Center, Mercer Island, Wash.

She was born March 18, 1924, in West Middletown, a daughter of David Homer and Mary Margaret Cunningham Farrar.

Mrs. Halley was a lifetime Presbyterian and a member of Grove United Presbyterian Church in West Middletown and Westminster Presbyterian Church in Rockford.

She taught church school throughout her life, beginning when she was 13 years old.

Mrs. Halley was a 1952 graduate of Avella High School, where she was an outstanding basketball player.

She was a lifelong volunteer, working to help anyone in need.

Mrs. Halley was an avid bridge player, enjoyed reading and was a naturalist. She found beauty in all of nature and joy in all children.

She faced a long struggle with a degenerative nervous system disease with courage, determination and faith.

On June 23, 1956, she married George J. Halley, who died August 15, 2001.

Surviving are a son, George H. Halley of Pasadena, Calif.; two daughters, Glenna Hill of Freeport, Ill., and Gail Pierepiekarz of Newcastle; three grandsons, Marek Pierepiekarz, Lucas Hill and Josiah Halley; and two brothers, David Farrer of Washington and Larry Farrar of Neenah, Wis.

Odessa W. Gilbert

McDonald native

Odessa W. "Det" Gilbert, 88, of McDonald, died Thursday, February 13, 2003.

She was born April 28, 1914, in McDonald, a daughter of Edward and Edith Behling Kenneweg.

Mrs. Gilbert worked in the assembly line of Gladiux Flight Kitchen for 16 years, retiring in 1972.

She was a member of Calvary Presbyterian Church in McDonald.

She enjoyed reading and crocheting.

In 1930, she married Morris Lescallette, who died in 1936.

On May 26, 1984, she married Lawrence Gilbert, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Barb Druga of Oakdale and Linda Baldigowski of McDonald; a stepson, Edward W.

"Sonny" Gilbert of McDonald; a sister, June Hecceg of Steubenville, Ohio; four grandchildren, Gregg and Robert Druga, Lisa Lauf and Sam Baldigowski; two stepgrandchildren, Michele Ley and Greg Gilbert; seven great-grandchildren; and four stepgreat-grandchildren.

Deceased are seven brothers, Walter, Earl, Louis, Wesley, Gerald, Albert and Robert Kenneweg; and two sisters, Clara Griffith and Rose McMillen.

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Eulala M. Patsch

Chartiers-Houston teacher

Eulala M. Patsch, 92, of West Pike Street, Houston, died Sunday, February 23, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born April 9, 1910, in Houston, a daughter of John Charles and Anna B. McConnell McIlvaine.

She was a 1930 graduate of Indiana Normal School. Mrs. Patsch retired in 1972 as a school teacher for Chartiers-Houston School District. She taught for 25 years: first in Cross Creek School, then in Houston School and finally in Allison Elementary School.

On December 25, 1941, she married Ralph L. Patsch, who died April 21, 2002.

Surviving are a son, Ralph L. Patsch Jr. of Houston; two daughters, Lala Ann Patsch and Inez Jean Patsch, both of Houston; and two grandchildren, Bradley Ralph Patsch and Jenelle Lynn Patsch.

Deceased are two sisters, Inez McIlvaine and Wilma Cain; and two brothers, John C. and Harry A. McIlvaine Sr. OS

Velma G. Rowley

Mrs. Rowley died Thursday, February 20, 2003, of natural causes, after living the past 14 years at Country Meadows nursing home in Bridgeville.

Born in Venice to John Barnett and Idella Donaldson Giffin, she lived on a farm owned by her grandfather, John W. Giffin, until 1902, when her family moved to Sheraden.

After graduating from Duff's, she was a bookkeeper for Bank of Pittsburgh until it closed in 1931, the same year she met her husband, William L. Rowley. They married in June the following year.

The couple moved to Washington, D.C., in 1932.

From 1940 through 1973, Mrs. Rowley worked at Pentagon Federal Credit Union, where she put to use a degree she earned in 1917 from Duff's Business College.

But that is how the woman, born September 19, 1899, lived her 103 years.

"She was very frugal," said LuElla Hart, a friend of Mrs. Rowley's since 1997.

Following the death of her husband in 1989, she moved back to Western Pennsylvania and continued her volunteer service at Magee-Womens Hospital of UPMC Health System in the neonatal clinic, knitting clothes for the children, and with Hills-Hendersonville and South Central schools in Canon-McMillan School District.

Mrs. Rowley had a sister, Ellen Giffin, and two brothers, John Webster and Orval Giffin. She is survived by four nephews, 17 great-nephews and nieces and 11 great-great-nephews and nieces.

Mildred Mae Cole

Cashier for Hills Department Store



Mildred Mae "Granny" Cole, 75, of Washington, died at 9:10 p.m. Wednesday, February 19, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington.

She was born July 17, 1927, in Wolfdale, a daughter of Harold L. and Seena Roupe Barrett.

Mrs. Cole had been employed as a cashier for Hills Department Store.

She was a member of Polish Club, Claysville American Legion Auxiliary, Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary in Confluence, GMP International Union and LOOM 22.

On September 30, 1946, she married Carl Marx Cole, who died June 18, 1994.

Surviving are two sons, Carl R. and H. Dennis Cole, both of Washington; five daughters, Marlene Lehew and Cynthia Kline, both of Washington, Darlene Yater and Gloria Mankey, both of Claysville and Rita Gorby of Washington; a brother, Harold Barrett of Las Vegas, Nev.; a sister, Cordelia McCory of Indiana; 16 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Deceased is a brother, Herbert Barrett. NB

Frances V. DiMatties

Member of Follansbee Church of Christ

Frances Vera Tustin DiMatties, 84, of Follansbee, W. Va., died Monday, February 10, 2003, in Weirton (W. Va.) Medical Center.

She was born March 1, 1918, in Tioga County, a daughter of Paul Donaldson Allen Sr. and Vera Marie Austin Allen.

Her first husband, Presley H. Tustin, died May 23, 1959.

Her second husband, Frank J. DiMatties, died in August 1997.

Surviving are three daughters, Mary E. Maderia of Follansbee, with whom she made her home, Elsie Marie Mowder of Newberry, S.C., and Karen Lee Anderson of Elyria, Ohio; two sons, Wesley O. Tustin Sr. of Georgetown and Presley H. Tustin Jr. of LaGrange, Ohio; a brother, John Allen of Springfield, Ark.; 16 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-granddaughter.

Deceased are a daughter, Ester Mae Tustin; her stepmother, Pearl L. Burkhardt Allen; a brother, Paul D. Allen Jr.; a stepbrother, Edward Black; two stepsons, Kenneth J. Tustin, who died January 20, 1978, and Robert Cecil Tustin, who died December 5, 1956; and a great-grandson. E

Janet Arlene Becker

Hematology supervisor at St. Margaret Hospital

Janet Arlene Becker, 62, of Dry Ridge Road, West Alexander, died Monday, February 10, 2003, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh.

She was born December 1, 1940, in Wheeling, W. Va., a daughter of the late Ralph C. and Clara E. Bock Becker.

Miss Becker was a hematology supervisor in the laboratory of St. Margaret Hospital in Pittsburgh and formerly worked at Ohio Valley Medical Center in Wheeling.

She was a member of Christ United Methodist Church in Wheeling, American Society of Clinical Pathologists, American Society of American Technologists and Southwest Chapter of Pennsylvania Medical Technologists.

Miss Becker was a graduate of West Liberty State College in West Virginia and received her master's degree from West Virginia University.

Surviving are several cousins.

Deceased is a sister, M. Carolyn Becker, who died in October 1957. WA

Harriet E. Anderson

Claysville resident retired from Washington Hospital

Harriet E. Anderson, 78, of Claysville, died unexpectedly Friday, February 14, 2003, in her home.

She was born February 15, 1924, a daughter of Levi and Eleanor McCleery Dunham.

Mrs. Anderson was a member of Zion United Methodist Church in Claysville.

She was a graduate of Claysville High School and worked as an admissions clerk at Washington Hospital until her retirement in 1983.

Mrs. Anderson enjoyed horses.

On August 11, 1944, in Zion United Methodist Church, she married Charles T. Anderson, who died June 26, 1987.

Surviving are two sons, William K. Anderson of Washington and Charles Lee Anderson of Elm Grove, W. Va.; a daughter, Kathleen R. Gilmore of Claysville, with whom she made her home; nine grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and five nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a daughter, Judith E. Greaves; a sister, Elaine Adams; and three brothers, Blair, Richard and John Dunham. UB

James Vincenti

Carpenter for Ryan Homes

James Vincenti, 87, of Primrose, died Monday, February 17, 2003.

He was born August 30, 1915, in Primrose, a son of Leon and Catherine Birdseye Vincenti.

Mr. Vincenti was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II.

He was a carpenter for Ryan Homes before retiring in 1978. He formerly worked for Pittsburgh Coal Co.

On November 15, 1948, he married Lucienne Tremereaux, who died September 9, 1997.

Surviving are three daughters, Julie C. and Nancy J. Vincenti, both of McDonald, and Kathleen Haylak of Burgettstown; a sister, Dolly Boyd of Orlando, Fla.,

ADDITIONAL information has been provided for the obituary of James Vincenti, published Friday. His mother's name was Catherine Bearzi Vincenti; his wife, Lucienne Tremereaux Vincenti, died September 10, 1997.

Pauline Marie Behling

Pauline Marie Behling, 80, of Fannie Street McDonald, died Wednesday January 21, 1976 in Montefiore Hospital. A daughter of Bertha Behling Pensis, she was born July 13, 1895, in McDonald. She was a member of the Trinity U. P. Church of McDonald. Surviving is a sister, Mrs. Roy Oates of McDonald,

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Mrs. Bertha Charlier

Mrs Bertha Charlier, 74, of Wellsburg WV, died at 12:20 a.m. Monday August 17, 1958 in the North Wheeling hospital following a lingering illness. A daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emile Dehoux, she was born August 25, 1884 in Belgium. She came to McDonald as a child, and had resided in the Weirton-Wellsburg area the past 40 years. Her husband Emile Charlier died in 1921. Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Wilma Brown of Weirton, WV, and Mrs. Clyde Roberts and Mrs. Lennore Barndt of Wellsburg, WV, two sisters, Mrs. William Johnson of Paris, and Mrs. Charles Smith of McDonald, and four brothers, Emile, Jules, Fred and Victor Dehoux all of McDonald.

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John Eckles

John Eckles, 77, of Washington Street, McDonald, died Monday, November 30, 1959, in the Presbyterian hospital, Pittsburgh. A son of the late Henry and Mary Lutz Eckles, he was born September 1, 1882, in Oakdale. Mr Eckles had been an employee of the Pittsburgh Coal Co. and the Pennsylvania Department of Highways and at the time of his retirement in 1946, was employed by the Flannery Bolt Co., Bridgeville. He leaves three sisters, Mrs. Margaret Richards of the Westend McDonald; Mrs. Elizabeth Stumpf of Cecil, and Mrs. Sadie Filby of Washington; and two brothers George Eckles of Bishop and Peter Eckles of Canonsburg.

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George M. Hammerly

George M. Hammerly, 83, of Primrose, R.D. 4, McDonald, died Monday October 29, 1979 in South Hills Convalesant Home. A son of George M. and Isabelle Weir Hammerly, he was born August 7, 1896, in McDonald. He was a retired pumper for the South Penn Oil Co., having retired in 1961. He was a member of the Trinity U. P. Church, McDonald, the Midway Volunteer Fire Department, and the SNPJ Club, Midway. He is survived by his wife, Ruth Adams Hammerly; three daughters, Hazel Varney and Jesse Hammerly, both at home, and Mrs. Donna Kimmel of Chicago Heights Ill.; three sisters, Mrs. Mary Wilson, Mrs. Jessie Shafer, and Miss Isabel Hammerly all of Aliquippa.

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Mrs. Clara Grace Hampson

Mrs. Clara Grace Hampson, 90, of Laurel Hill, R. D. 1, McDonald, died Saturday January 24, 1976, in the Mercy hospital. The daughter of George and Sarah Johnson, she was born January 18, 1886, in Chicora. She was a member of the First U. M. Church, McDonald. Surviving are a son Walter Hampson of McDonald; a daughter, Mrs. Robert G. (Gladys) Simpson of McDonald.

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Mrs. Della Heaps

Mrs. Della Heaps, 87, wife of the late Charles. M. Heaps, formerly of McDonald, died suddenly Saturday, September 26, 1959, in her home in St. Petersburg, FL. She was a member of the Methodist Church. Surviving are five daughters, Mrs. R. T. Porter, Mrs. Faye Crider and Miss Margaret Heaps, all of St. Petersburg, FL, Mrs. F. G. Smith of Long Island, NY, and Mrs. Elvie Krigger of Oakdale; and a son Frank C. Heaps of Verona. Mr. Heaps died in June, 1942.

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Nick Kowalchik

Nick Kowalchik, 80, died suddenly Monday, December 14, 1959, in his home in Sturgeon. He was born February 28, 1879, in Austria, and has resided in Sturgeon most of his life. He is survived by his wife, Fimia Kowalchik; three sons, Harry, Joseph and Michael, of Sturgeon; and two daughters, Mrs. Mary Geisler of McDonald and Mrs. Anna Stasenko of Pittsburgh.

RR

Mrs. Gustave Lackner

Mrs. Julia Sprince Lackner, 70, died Wednesday, June 10, 1959 in her home in Fannie Street, McDonald, following a lengthy illness. She had been a resident of McDonald for the past 35 years. She is survived by her husband Gustave F. Lackner, three sons, Henry D. Lackner, and Gustave O. Lackner, both of McDonald and Earl E. Lackner of Pittsburgh, and a sister Mrs. Susan Olson of West Newton.

RR

Mrs. Mildred Jolley Pattison

Mrs. Mildred Jolley Pattison, 63. of Taylorstown, formerly of McDonald, died at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, December 12, 1959, in Hillsvie Clinic, following an illness of two years. She was born May 25, 1896, in Taylorstown, a daughter of the late George C. and Ella A. Paine Jolley. She had resided in the McDonald-Taylorstown areas her entire life. She leaves a son, George J. Pattison of Taylorstown; and a brother, Charles M. (Turk) Jolley of Taylorstown. Her husband George A. Pattison died in 1937, while the family was residing in McDonald. Burial was in the Claysville cemetery.

Mrs. Catherine Rumbaugh Peterson

Mrs. Catherine Rumbaugh Peterson, 82, a former resident of McDonald, died Saturday, December 5, 1959, in her home in Carnegie. Mrs. Peterson was born May 19, 1877, in McKean County, a daughter of the late Jacob and Johanna Boney Rumbaugh. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, McDonald, and McDonald Chapter 119, Order of the Eastern Star. Surviving are two daughters, Mildred and Floretta Peterson, both of Carnegie; a sister, Mrs. Genevieve Jacobs of Johnstown, and a brother, James A. Rumbaugh of McDonald.

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MARRIED CHARLES E. PETERSON

Mrs. John Rimer

Mrs. Janet Noble Rimer, died Thursday June 11, 1959, in Butler Memorial Hospital following an illness of five weeks. She was born April 28, 1883, in Midway, a daughter of William and Mary Ann McDonald Noble. She was married in 1913 to John Rimer and moved to Butler where she resided until Mr. Rimer's death in 1953. Surviving are two brothers, Charles Noble Sr. of Burgettstown and George Noble of St. Cloud FL., a sister Belle, the wife of Guy Parker of Steubenville OH, and several nieces and nephews.

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Paul Scheers

Paul Scheers, 89, died Wednesday, December 9, 1959, in his home in Sturgeon. He was born January 1, 1870, in Belgium. He came to the United States in 1905 and was employed in the coal mine until his retirement. He was married to the late Irma Marin Scheers. Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Helen Rank Miss Madeline Scheers, and Mrs. Carmen Hajduk; and a son, Marcel Scheers, all of Sturgeon.

RR

Mrs. Margaret A. Snyder
MARRIED CHARLES SNYDER

Mrs. Margaret A. Snyder, 76, of McDonald R.D., died Sunday, October 28, 1979, in the St. Clair hospital. She was born December 25, 1902 in Ohio. She is survived by two daughters, Mae Simpson of Noblestown, and Mildred Smith of Washington, and a son, John Snyder of Noblestown.

RR

Gene Paul Miller

Gene Paul Miller, 22, of Sturgeon, lost his life in an automobile accident in Kaiserlautern, Germany, Tuesday December 1, 1959. A son of Cornelius and Esther Nelson Miller of Sturgeon, he was born January, 24, 1936, in Painesville, OH. He was a 1953 graduate of South Fayette Township high school, and had served three years in the U. S. Marine Corps before enlisting in the U. S. Air Force 1 1/2 years ago. Besides his parents, he leaves two brothers, Pvt. James Miller, stationed at Fort Bliss, TX, and Cornelius Jr., at home; and four sisters, Patricia Ann, Viola Marian, Cornelia Edwina, and Donna Lynn Miller, all at home. Funeral services were held Monday in the Pettit funeral home, McDonald. Burial was in Robinson's Run cemetery.

Mrs. Grace Cummins Smith

Mrs. Grace Cummins Smith, 77, of Kay street, McDonald, died Wednesday, August 26, 1959 in the Allegheny General hospital, Pittsburgh. She was born August 12, 1882 in Hopewell Township, a daughter of Craig and Elizabeth Cummins. She was united in marriage with Joseph Smith. Surviving are six children, Mrs. Elsie Michaels of Crafton, Mrs. Thelma Strobel of Erie, Mrs. Irma Bibey of East Sparta, OH, Mrs. Vila Sarver and Mrs. Leila Brose of Carnegie, Mrs. Lois Laurick of Gladden Heights, and Clyde Smith of Oakdale, A sister, Mrs. Estella Peters of Rochester, and a brother R. Clarence Cummins of R.D. 2, McDonald. Burial was in Chartiers cemetery, Carnegie.

John S. Steele Sr.

John S. Steele, Sr., of Railroad street, Sturgeon, died suddenly Wednesday, September 23, 1959, in the Mercy Hospital. A son of the late John and Anna Scott Steele, he was born October 6, 1885, in Pittsburgh. He had spent most of his life in Sturgeon and was employed in the local coal mines until his retirement in 1949. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Barbara Drennen Steele; a son, John S. Steele Jr., of Pittsburgh; two daughters, Mrs. Dorothy Wade of Ambridge, and Mrs. Elizabeth Rebert of Carlisle; a brother, William Steele of Elizabeth, and a sister Mrs. Mary Mylen. There are six grandchildren. RR

Mrs. Prosper Vermeulen

Mrs. Mary Pique Vermeulen, 86, of R. D. 4 McDonald, wife of the late Prosper Vermeulen, died Monday, June 15, 1959 in Washington Home for the Aged after an illness of 6 months. Mrs. Vermeulen was born October 20, 1872, in Belgium. She had been a resident of the McDonald area for the past 61 years. Two sons, Camille and Herman are deceased. RR

"Cam" McFadden

Thomas Campbell McFadden, for several decades a widely known auctioneer operating in Western Pennsylvania and pan handle counties of West Virginia, native of West Middletown, and once a resident of Claysville, passed away Wednesday October 3, 1935, aged 82 years. Interment in the cemetery at West Middletown. McFadden was a son of Thomas and Alicia Chapman McFadden. He was a kin of Thomas Campbell, noted religious leader of a century ago. He followed auctioneering many years, ranking high in that profession. Mr. McFadden was united in marriage with Miss Katherine Liggett, of his home section in 1877. Mrs. McFadden's death occurred January 2, 1913. He leaves five daughters and one son; Mrs. Harry Miller, Sanford, Texas; Mrs. Edward Noble, Claysville; Mrs. G. I. Sawhill, Pittsburgh; Mrs. Robert Cushing, Letonia Ohio; Mrs. Irene Tanner, Washington Pa; C. R. McFadden, West Middletown; a number of grandchildren; two sisters, Miss Maggie J. McFadden and Mrs. Alicia Frazell, both of Salem, Oregon. WM

Mrs. John W. Barr

Mrs. Bernice VanFosser Barr, of East Liverpool OH., formerly of Washington, died Thursday, January 8, 1947, at 6 a. m. in an East Liverpool Hospital. Mrs. Barr, with her husband John W. Barr, formerly of Claysville, resided in Washington for two years. She leaves her husband and a daughter, Mrs. Betty Smith, of Seattle Washington, and two brothers residing in East Liverpool.

John W. Barr

John W. Barr, 62, native of Claysville, died at his home in East Liverpool OH., Sunday, February 13, 1955, following a heart attack. John W. Barr was born in Claysville, March 4, 1892, a son of the late John and Minerva Liggett Barr. He spent his early youth here and after the death of his mother in 1907, went to East Liverpool, OH., to make his home with a brother Robert, and spent his entire life in that city. At the time of his death, he was office manager for the Manufacturers Light and Heat Company and had been with the company since he was 16 years old. Surviving is his wife Agnes Curran Barr, one daughter, Mrs. Betty Smith, Seattle Washington., and one sister, Mrs. Rena Keegan, Claysville. Interment was held in East Liverpool Cemetery.

James W. Barr

James Wylie Barr, native of Acheson community and since boyhood a resident of Claysville, employed as engineer for the Simon White's Sons monument plant, died February 1, 1938 in his 64th year. Mr. Barr was born August 13, 1874, son of John J. and Minerva Liggett Barr. Mr. Barr was united in marriage with Miss Sara Milligan, April 15, 1897. He leaves his wife; one daughter, Mrs. Marguerite Carson, at home; three sons, Dr. George Barr, dentist, and Frank Barr both of Claysville, and Clifford J. Barr.; one sister and two brothers, Mrs. Rena Keegan, Claysville; Robert and John W. Barr of East Liverpool OH. Interment in Claysville Cemetery. CL

Charles R. McFadden

Charles R. McFadden, 83, of West Middletown, died Monday, June 26, 1965 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. George Lykens. He was born May 20, 1882, at West Middletown, son of Thomas C. and Katherine (Liggett) McFadden. He was formerly in the gas and oil drilling business. His wife, Aura Lee McFadden died August 1, 1948. Surviving are three sons, Irwin of Pullman, Washington; Morris of Asheboro NC.; and Stewart of Midland, Texas; one daughter, Jean, wife of George B. Lykens of Spring City; and two sisters, Mrs. Alice Miller of West Middletown and Mrs. Anna Cushing, of Letonia, Ohio. Three sisters are deceased.

John J. Barr

John Jackson Barr, pumper for the Washington Oil Company, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Dom Keegan, September 8, 1916, aged 80 years. Interment was in Claysville Cemetery beside his wife who preceded him seven years. Mr. Barr was a native of Buffalo, born May 19, 1836, son of Robert and Eleanor (Barr) Barr. On September 21, 1870, he was united in marriage with Miss Minerva Liggett of Hopewell Township. Mrs. Barr died September 6, 1907. He leaves three sons and two daughters; Rena, wife of Dom Keegan; James Barr of Claysville; Robert Barr, Los Angeles, CA; Lillie of C. A Craig, Claysville; John Barr, East Liverpool OH. Three brothers and one sister, James C. Barr, Norfolk VA; Mrs. Eleanor Dunkle, Braddock Station; W. B. Barr, Claysville and M. R. Barr, Washington. A brother Robert G. Barr was killed by a train at Top Mill, opposite Martins Ferry, Dec. 21, 1886 on his way home after arguing a case in court. CL

Mrs. Elizabeth Irwin Liggett

The local death roll was increased November 20, 1904, when Mrs. Elizabeth Liggett died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Barr. Deceased was born March 5, 1829, daughter of Robert and Katherine Irwin, of near Eldersville. She was married in October 1842 to William Liggett of Hopwell Township, who died about 38 years ago. She lived for a time on Brush Run then moved to Buffalo Village, then to West Middletown. She is survived by four daughters, Mrs. Barr and Mrs. T. C. McFadden of this place; Mrs. J. B. Walkinsaw of Wellsburg and Mrs. David Barr of West Middletown; also by two sisters and five brothers, Mrs. Anna Patterson of Nebraska; Mrs. Julia Boles and Louis Irwin of Eldersville; Samuel, living in Canada; Moses, residing in Ohio, Robert and John. Interment was in the Claysville Cemetery.

Matthew R. Barr

July 18, 1930—Matthew R. Barr, 226 East Beau Street, for many years a resident of Washington, died last night in the Washington Hospital. He was born in Buffalo Township, a son of Robert and Eleanor Barr, early settlers of that township. For many years he was a resident of Claysville but had long been a resident of Washington. He leaves his wife, Mrs. Harriet Rodgers Barr; a son, Frank R. Barr, and one brother, William Barr, of Washington. The interment will be in the West Alexander Cemetery.

Lemuel Liggett 1842-1907

West Middletown, Jan. 14—Lemuel Liggett, and old soldier died at his home here today, aged 64. He had no children and besides his wife, is survived by two brothers, Albert and O. H. P. Liggett, of West Middletown, and one sister, Mrs. William Cunningham of Wellsburg WV. Interment will be in the West Middletown Cemetery. He enlisted in 1862 and served until 1865, when his regiment was mustered out. He enlisted in Co. C, 22nd Penna. cavalry, that famous regiment know to everyone as the Ringgold. WM

Dorothy E. Potts

Worked at Western State Hospital, Canonsburg

Dorothy E. Potts, 83, of Canonsburg, died Wednesday, February 26, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born July 5, 1919, in Massillon, Ohio, a daughter of John W. and Leanora Black Whiteman.

Mrs. Potts was a member of First Baptist Church in Canonsburg.

She worked at Western State Hospital in Canonsburg.

In January 1940, she married William T. Potts Jr., who died January 21, 1960.

Surviving are a son, Donald E. Potts Sr. of Coker, Ala.; a daughter, Edythe Coen of Eighty Four; a sister, Freda Mae Stang of Venetia; a brother, Harold Whiteman of Orlando, Fla., 14 grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

Deceased are two sons, Thomas and Richard Potts; a daughter, Patricia Tilger; a brother, Wilbur Whiteman; and a sister, Lorna Whiteman. **OS**

Anna Mae Miller

Cherry Valley resident

Anna Mae Heiber Miller, 66, of Cherry Valley, Burgettstown, died Tuesday, March 4, 2003, in Washington County Health Center, Washington.

She was born November 5, 1936, in Oakdale, a daughter of Florence Ray Heiber of Oakdale and the late Frank J. Heiber Jr.

Mrs. Miller was a 1954 graduate of St. Luke High School in Carnegie.

On April 5, 1954, she married Donald William Miller Sr., who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Cynthia L. Ziemba of Riverview, Fla.; two sons, Donald W. Miller Jr. and Dell S. Miller II, both of Oakdale; six grandchildren; and a brother, Thomas Heiber of Oakdale. **RR**

Timothy J. Hopwood

Harley-Davidson enthusiast from McMurray



Timothy J. Hopwood, 39, of McMurray, died Wednesday, March 5, 2003.

He was a son of Thelma D. Hopwood of Pittsburgh and the late John M. Hopwood.

Surviving are a brother, Jack M. Hopwood of Independence; two sisters, Grace W. Hopwood of Venetia and Wendy Wieland of Sewickley; and several nieces and nephews. **I**

Nannie O. Bonner

Member of Atlasburg Church of the Nazarene

Nannie O. Bonner, 93, of Washington, died Friday, February 28, 2003, in Presbyterian Senior Care, Washington.

She was born August 15, 1909, in Arcanum, Ohio, a daughter of Frank and Vesta Moses Drew.

Mrs. Bonner was a retired licensed practical nurse at Washington County Home.

She was a charter member of Church of the Nazarene in Atlasburg, where she sang in the choir, held many offices and received a Distinguished Service Award.

On August 8, 1925, she married Bruce Bonner, who died January 22, 1960.

Surviving are four daughters, Elsie Turverey of Brockville, Canada, Patricia Janacek of Brookville, Marie Banas of Washington and Jean Hill of Hickory; a son, Ray Bonner of Bulger; 18 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

Deceased are two sons, Frank and William Bonner. **MP**

Mildred Donaldson Neill

Longtime member of Center Presbyterian Church

Mildred Donaldson Neill, 88, of McMurray, died Monday, March 3, 2003, in her home.

She was born September 4, 1914, in Houston, a daughter of John Pry and Grace Moore Donaldson.

Mrs. Neill was a graduate of Hickory High School and Washington Business College.

Following college graduation, she worked in the offices of Hazel Atlas Glass Co. in Washington, and then worked as an area floor manager at Kaufmann's in Pittsburgh until her retirement.

Mrs. Neill was a longtime member of Center Presbyterian Church, McMurray.

She was a member and former worthy matron of Order of the Eastern Star, a former member of Grey Ladies Auxiliary of Canonsburg Hospital, a member of John McMillan Descendants Association and an award-winning member of Pittsburgh Camera Club.

Her husband of more than 50 years, Robert McNeill, is deceased.

Surviving are a sister, Gladys Amos of Glendale, Ariz.; four nieces; five nephews; and eight great-nieces and nephews.

Two brothers are deceased. **OS**

Ida Raineri

West Virginia homemaker from Austria

Ida (Eda) Raineri, 96, of Wellsburg, W. Va., formerly of Avella, died at 9:35 p.m. Tuesday, February 25, 2003, in Valley Haven Geriatric Center, Beech Bottom, W. Va.

She was born October 29, 1906, in Blairsville, a daughter of Pietro and Philomena Vanson DeJohn.

In 1923, Mrs. Raineri moved to the United States from Calavere, Austria, and since 1990, lived in Wellsburg.

She was a homemaker.

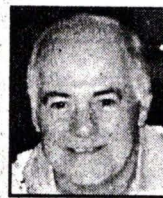
On October 22, 1925, she married Thomas Raineri, who died in 1978.

Surviving are two daughters, Julia Staten and Linda Leonard, both of Wellsburg; 15 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and 29 great-great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two sons, James E. Sr. and Thomas Raineri; three brothers, Samuel, Bruno and Raymond DeJohn; a sister, Irma Williams; and a great-grandson. **WP**

John Rossero

Owner of Rossero Cabinet



John Rossero, 61, of Canonsburg, died a 6:45 p.m. Friday, March 7, 2003, in his home, following a six-month battle

with cancer.

He was born November 28, 1941, in Canonsburg, a son of Mario and Ann DiYenno Rossero.

Mr. Rossero was a cabinet maker and was co-owner and owner of Rossero Cabinet Co. for 42 years.

He attended Canon-McMillan High School, where he was on the football and wrestling teams. He attended Indiana University in Bloomington, Ind.

Mr. Rossero served in the National Guard for six years.

He coached Little League baseball, football, wrestling and girls softball and also was a scoutmaster.

Surviving are his wife of 20 years, Susan Bell Rossero; three sons, John Rossero of Muncie, Ind., and Daniel and Charles Rossero, both of Canonsburg; a stepdaughter, Tracy DeCock of Upper St. Clair; a stepson, Joseph Alfery of San Diego, Calif.; seven grandchildren, Ashley, Mackenzie, Madison, Carly-Bell, Mitchell, Megan and Sophia; two brothers, Lynn Rossero of Canonsburg and Gerard Rossero of McDonald; and a sister, Cheryl Mailley of Maryland.

Deceased is a daughter, Rebecca Rossero. **WF**

Everett G. Canfield Jr.

Formerly of Washington

Everett G. Canfield Jr., 72, of Oroville, Calif., formerly of Washington, died Saturday, February 22, 2003, in the state of California, following a lengthy illness.

He was born December 8, 1930, in Washington, a son of Everett and Anne Cummins Canfield.

Mr. Canfield was a businessman and managed a rice farm in California. He also owned a grocery store and restaurant.

He was a small-aircraft pilot.

Mr. Canfield served in the U.S. Army in Alaska.

He was a former member of Allison Avenue Baptist Church in Washington.

His wife, Nina Dearman Canfield, survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Anna Nelson and Lanell Dearman, both of the state of California; a brother, Ralph E. Canfield of Washington; a sister, Judith A. Brown of Belmont, Calif.; three grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a son, Thomas Dearman; two brothers, William A. and John C. Canfield; and two sisters, Jean Shoberg and Ruth Thompson.

Burial was in California. Arrangements were handled by Scheer Memorial Chapel, Oroville.

Shirley A. Martin

Former social worker was active in church



Shirley A. Martin, 67, of Washington, died Tuesday, March 4, 2003, in her home, following a lengthy illness.

She was born August 8, 1935, in Washington, a daughter of William H. and Elizabeth Glenn Martin.

She was a member of Church of the Covenant in Washington, where she attended Bethel Bible Class and was a Social Hour Committee volunteer and part-time receptionist in the church office.

A 1954 graduate of East Washington High School, she was a 1958 graduate of Carnegie Mellon University.

She was a social worker for child welfare and later worked at Western Center before retiring in 1998.

She was a member of Washington Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution 2-128-PA.

Surviving are a daughter, Beth A. Gandelman of Washington; and two grandchildren, Ryan William Gandelman and S. Alisha Sienkiel.

Deceased is a brother, James L. Martin.

William D. Rogers

Formerly owned Rogers Funeral Home in McDonald

William D. Rogers, 85, of Erie, formerly of Chautauqua, N.Y., died Friday, February 28, 2003, in Forest View Skilled Nursing Facility, Erie, following a brief illness.

He was born February 27, 1918, in McDonald, a son of John and Belle Duncan Rogers.

Mr. Rogers was a 1936 graduate of McDonald High School and also graduated from Eckels College of Mortuary Science in Philadelphia.

He was a veteran of World War II, serving as a first lieutenant in the U.S. Army.

Mr. Rogers was a resident of Chautauqua for more than 20 years and had lived since 1996 in Erie. He was a member of Zion Covenant Church in Jamestown.

He had owned and operated Rogers Funeral Home in McDonald for 39 years, until he retired in 1976.

On June 28, 1947, he married Madge Inglis, who died June 1, 1998.

Surviving are a sister, Louise Hayduck of St. Petersburg, Fla.; two nephews; and two nieces.

Deceased is a brother, John C. Rogers Jr., who died in 1995.

ROGERS - Friends of William D. Rogers of Erie, formerly of Chautauqua, N.Y., who died Friday, February 28, 2003, will be received from 10 to 11 a.m., the hour of service Monday, March 10, in Lind Funeral Home, 806 West Third Street, Jamestown, N.Y., with the Rev. Eldon H. Johnson, pastor emeritus of Zion Covenant Church, officiating. Memorials

Raymond M. Walker

Member of Burgettstown Softball Hall of Fame

Raymond M. Walker, 79, of Seminole, Fla., formerly of Burgettstown, died Thursday, March 6, 2003, in his home under the care of Hospice of The Florida Suncoast.

He was born February 1, 1924, in Hickory, a son of Harry Buchanan and Bena Elizabeth Miller Walker.

Mr. Walker retired after working for more than 30 years as a stillman for Koppers Chemical in Wellsburg, W. Va.

He served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

His wife, Ramah Dunmire Walker, died July 19, 1997.

Surviving are a son, Robert J. Walker of Seminole; a daughter, Mickie J. Gelestor of Seminole; four grandchildren, Shawn and Allison Gelestor and Melissa and April Walker; a great-grandson; three brothers, Wilbur, Jay and Fred Walker, all of Burgettstown; and a sister, Willa Dowler of Burgettstown.

Deceased are two brothers, Leroy and William Walker; and a sister, Freda Zeigler. CC

Larry A. Ansell

U.S. Army Vietnam veteran was Avella firefighter

Larry A. Ansell, 56, of Avella, died at 9:18 p.m. Friday, March 7, 2003, in the Washington Hospital emergency room.

He was born October 25, 1946, in Uniontown, a son of Oma Grace Temple Ansell of Chester, W. Va., and Clyde Ansell, who died March 27, 1983.

Mr. Ansell served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War

Mr. Ansell was employed by LTV Steel of Aliquippa for 33 years, retiring in 1998.

On July 6, 1967, he married Darlene Cutlip, who survives.

Also surviving, in addition to his wife and mother, are four sons, Larry and Scott Ansell, both of Washington, Timothy Ansell of Wellsburg, W. Va., and Randy Ansell of Avella; four grandchildren, Devon, Amanda, Austin and Kayla; and five sisters, Irene Rice of Georgetown, Judy Klem and Dawn Dee Ansell, both of Avella, and Patty Janke and Janet Yancono, both of Chester.

Deceased are two brothers and a sister, all who died in infancy. I

MARTHA L. MCBURNEY

Martha L. McBurney, 76, of Hickory, died at 6:45 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 10, 1957, in Washington Hospital after a brief illness.

Born May 3, 1879, in Cherry Valley, a daughter of the late Ezra and Letitia Russell McBurney, she was a graduate of the Hickory Academy, a member of the Mt. Pleasant United Presbyterian Church, Hickory, the Women's Missionary Society and a teacher in the Sunday School of the church.

Surviving are a sister, Mrs. Donaldson McCarrell and a niece, Marthetta McCarrell, both of Hickory. A sister, Jean D. McBurney, died April 17, 1950.

Walter G. McCartney

Universal Cyclops retiree

Walter G. McCartney, 73, of McDonald, South Fayette Township, died Tuesday, March 4, 2003, in his home.

He was born June 2, 1929, in Federal, a son of David and Ida Mae Smith McCartney.

Mr. McCartney was a steelworker at Universal Cyclops for 38 years and a member of SOAR Union.

On November 30, 1962, he married Nancy Hampson, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Lisa McCartney of McDonald and Lori McCartney of Brookline; two sons, Chris McCartney of McDonald and Patrick McCartney of Canonsburg; two grandchildren, Abrielle and Ronnie McCartney; two brothers, Daniel and David McCartney, both of McDonald; and a sister, Hannah Saussol of Florida. RR

W. Edwin Miller

Longtime dairy farmer from McDonald

W. Edwin Miller, 82, of McDonald, died Monday, March 10, 2003, in his home.

He was born January 7, 1921, in Pittsburgh, a son of Samuel Edwin and Lillian Wallace Miller.

Mr. Miller was a 1938 graduate of Hickory High School and a longtime dairy farmer, having grown up on the family farm.

He was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church, where he served as elder and deacon. He was a 50-year member and past president of Mt. Prospect Cemetery Association.

He served on the board of directors of Canonsburg Fire Insurance Co. and was a former member of Hickory Knights of Pythias.

On August 20, 1948, in Winchester, Virginia, he married Vera May Fullerton, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Samuel E. Miller of McDonald; two daughters, J. Charlene Billy of Canonsburg and Janet Mucha of McDonald; and seven grandchildren, Christian Lesnett, Matthew Miller, Ashley, Brian and Maggie Mucha, and J.D. and Jacob Billy.

Deceased are a brother, James C. Miller; and a sister, Gladys Miller. MP

Grace R. Longstreath

Retired glassworker



Grace Rogers Longstreath, 74, of Washington, died at 8:25 a.m. Monday, March 10, 2003, in her home.

She was born April 24, 1928, in Grafton, W. Va., a daughter of Lawrence and Bessie Morgan Rogers.

Mrs. Longstreath attended First Christian Church of Washington.

She had been employed for 36 years by Hazel-Atlas Glass, Continental Can and Brockway Glass in Zanesville, Ohio, from which she retired.

On November 6, 1948, she married George Longstreath, who died January 30, 1986.

Surviving are a son, George "Skeeter" Longstreath Jr. of San Diego, Calif.; a daughter, Nancy Stevens of Washington; a brother, William Rogers of Washington; a sister, Doris Garner of Washington; two grandchildren Amy Plum and J.R. Stevens; and two great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a brother, Thomas Rogers; and three sisters, Virginia Gorby, Roberta Lewis and Frances Leigh. CL

Donetta June Clemens

Member of North Buffalo Presbyterian Church



Donetta June Clemens, 77, of Washington, died at 5:50 p.m. Saturday, March 8, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington.

She was born January 29, 1926, in Washington, a daughter of Earl Oglebay and Sarah Jane Phillips Clemens.

Mrs. Clemens was employed as a unit clerk at Washington County Health Center, Washington, for 14 years, retiring November 3, 1990.

She was a member of North Buffalo Presbyterian Church, AARP and National Geographic Society.

Mrs. Clemens was a 1943 graduate of Washington High School and attended Bethany (W. Va.) College for one year.

She was twice married. She divorced her first husband, John Randolph.

On February 20, 1954, she married Robert Clemens, who died May 20, 1976.

Surviving are two sons, Lawrence Edward Clemens of Washington and David Lee Clemens of Seneca; a sister, Beulah Irene (Billie) Dinsmore of Pembroke, Fla.; four grandchildren, Joshua Adam and Joseph Alan Clemens, Misty Michelle Harvey and Jason Lee Clemens; and a great-granddaughter.

Deceased is a brother, Harold Lee Clemens. W

Gilbert J. DallaPiazza

WWII veteran was member of McDonald VFD

Gilbert J. DallaPiazza, 84, of Jamestown, died Tuesday, March 11, 2003, in Greenville Hospital.

He was born January 19, 1919, a son of Fornato and Angellana DallaPiazza.

Mr. DallaPiazza was a longtime member of McDonald Volunteer Fire Department and a U.S. Army Air Forces veteran of World War II.

His wife, Jennie Rupnik DallaPiazza, is deceased.

His companion was Edna Koczaja.

Surviving are three sons, Dennis of Virginia, Leonard of McDonald and Kenneth of Hickory; six grandchildren, Kristin Morales and Wayne, Michelle, Kevin, Trevor and Tyler Joe DallaPiazza; two sisters, Olympia Elias and Zelinda Montgomery, both of McDonald; three brothers, William and Bruno DallaPiazza, both of Oakdale, and Frindo DallaPiazza of Imperial.

Deceased are a brother, Warren DallaPiazza; and two sisters, Carmella DeVandry and Ida DallaPiazza. RR

Coleman A. Klein

Member of All Saints Greek Orthodox Church

Coleman Anthony Klein, 82, of Pittsburgh, died Thursday, March 13, 2003, in the emergency room of UPMC-Braddock hospital, Pittsburgh.

He was born October 3, 1920, in Pittsburgh, a son of Coleman and Anna Meyerhofer Klein.

Mr. Klein spent most of his life in Pittsburgh, where he was an engineer for B&O Railroad.

He was a member of All Saints Greek Orthodox Church in Canonsburg.

Mr. Klein was a Civil War buff and belonged to several Civil War organizations.

He was the last of his immediate family.

Surviving are his wife, Marie Mahramus Klein; and several nieces and nephews. OS

Loraine Harrington

Lifelong Cecil resident

Loraine Harrington, 68, of Cecil, died Monday, March 17, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington.

She was born December 29, 1934, in Canonsburg, a daughter of Hilda Krenn Karmann of Cecil and the late Andrew Krenn.

Mrs. Harrington was a lifelong resident of Cecil.

Surviving are two sons, Chester R. Harrington of Bridgeville and Mark A.

Harrington of Mesa, Ariz.; a sister, Edith Eckels of Cecil; six grandchildren, Alisha Coulson, Amber Brown, and Autumn, Angela, Ashley and Andrew Harrington; and two great-grandchildren.

Deceased is a brother, Edward Krenn. V

William Stanley

Member of First Church of the Nazarene, Washington

William Stanley, 82, of Canonsburg, died Tuesday, March 18, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born October 7, 1920, in Canonsburg, a son of Robert and Hannah Treadwell Stanley.

Mr. Stanley was a member of First Church of the Nazarene, Washington.

He retired from Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.

On October 19, 1962, he married Catherine Stewart, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, William Stanley of Bethel Park; three daughters, Nancy O'Bryan and Ilene Brown, both of Canonsburg, and Ruth O'Rourke of Houston; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. OS

Mary Suvada Cecchini

Member of Pentecost Lutheran Church, Avella

Mary Suvada Cecchini, 83, of Avella, died at 1:20 p.m. Friday, March 14, 2003, in Anns Country Retreat of Wellsburg, W. Va.

She was born September 16, 1919, in Avella, a daughter of Andrew and Susanna Janci Suvada.

Mrs. Cecchini was a member of Pentecost Lutheran Church of Avella, where she taught Sunday school. She also was a member of National Slovak Society.

She was employed by Economy Store and Fusarelli's Store, both in Avella, and retired in 1973 from Filipponi's Store in Slovan.

On June 28, 1941, she married Elio Cecchini, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Daniel and Marc Cecchini, both of Avella; a daughter, Oretta Cecchini-Muro of Avella; eight grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and a sister, Emily Suvada Tommasi of Avella.

Deceased are two brothers, William and Andrew Suvada; and two sisters, Suzanna Suvada Valduga and Anna Suvada, who died in infancy. WP

Frances Sullivan

1924 graduate of Claysville High School

Frances Genevieve Carter Gardei Sullivan, 96, of San Leandro, Calif., died Thursday, March 13, 2003, in Bay Point Healthcare Center, Hayward, Calif.

She was born November 11, 1906, in Taylorstown, the seventh of eight children born to Albert Francis and Etta Jane Carter, and she was the last to survive.

Mrs. Sullivan was raised in Claysville, where she graduated from Claysville High School in 1924.

In 1925, she married Thomas Jefferson Gardei of Washington and raised her four children, Louis, Rosemary, Marjorie and Jacqueline.

Widowed in 1948, she married Lee Sullivan in 1953 and moved to the state of California. Except for the period of 1968 to 1976, when she again took up residence in her native state, she spent the rest of her life in California.

Surviving are two daughters, Rosemary Edwards of San Leandro and Jacqueline Milligan of Edmonton, Canada; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren. CL

Mary Madeline White

38-year employee of Bell Telephone from Claysville



Mary Madeline Morris Fankhauser White, 85, of Claysville, died Thursday, March 13, 2003, in Hillview

Personal Care Home, Claysville.

She was born February 26, 1918, in New Martinsville, W. Va., a daughter of Isaac and Sina Postlethwait Morris.

Mrs. White was a member of Claysville United Methodist Church.

She was a 1935 graduate of New Martinsville (W. Va.) High School and was a homemaker.

For 38 years, she was employed by Bell Telephone Co. in New Martinsville and Columbus, Ohio.

She was previously married to Richard Fankhauser, who is deceased.

In 1951, at Claysville United Methodist Church parsonage, she married William F. White, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Samuel Daugherty White of Philadelphia; two stepsons, William Gatewood White of Des Plaines, Ill., and George Wesley White of Salem, Ore.; and four stepgrandchildren, Andrew, William A. and Sarah Beth White and Emily Maruna.

Deceased are three sisters, Dorothy Heinzman, Ethel Yeater and Goldia Taylor. CL

Beatrice L. Brookman

Former Bulger resident

Beatrice L. Venner Brookman, 89, of Ulman Rest Home, Claysville, formerly of Bulger, died Thursday, March 13, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born July 14, 1913, in Belton, W. Va., a daughter of John and Pearl Hill Crow.

Mrs. Brookman was a member of Atlasburg Church of the Nazarene.

She was a homemaker.

Surviving are two daughters, Betty Kriznik of Slovan and Mary Jane Snyder of Bulger; a son, Ralph Venner of Anchorage, Alaska; 18 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Jessie Wilkinson of Hookstown and Flora Jones of Virginia; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are her first husband, John Venner; her second husband, Earl L. Brookman; two sons, John and James Venner; a daughter, Ruth Cunningham; two brothers; and a sister. MP

Samuel L. Freshour

WWII vet, National Steel retiree was formerly of Paris

Samuel L. Freshour, 92, of Venice, Fla., formerly of Paris, died Tuesday, March 11, 2003, in Venice.

He was born August 10, 1910, in New Cumberland, W. Va., a son of Lee and Arminda Rhoades Freshour.

Mr. Freshour was a member of Weirton Free Methodist Church in Weirton, W. Va.

He was a World War II veteran, serving in the U.S. Navy as an engine mate on LST 209.

His wife, A. Lucille White Freshour, died February 3, 1995.

Surviving are three daughters, Beverly Shoaff of Traverse City, Mich., Elaine Aliceson of Venice and Connie Castner of Steubenville, Ohio; a son, Samuel C. Freshour of Burgettstown; a sister, Vernice Lantz of Dunedin, Fla.; nine grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are three brothers, Douglas, Donald and Roy Freshour; and three sisters, Tenney Olmstead, Iva McAdams and Laura Heaton. CP

Earl R. Harris

Self-employed carpenter

Earl R. Harris, 91, of Washington, died at 1:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 12, 2003, in Presbyterian Medical Center, Washington.

He was born September 22, 1911, in Webster County, W. Va., a son of Lloyd and Louise Barnett Harris.

Mr. Harris was a self-employed carpenter.

On April 19, 1941, he married Deva Mae Largent, who survives.

Also surviving are several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are six brothers, Lanty, Branty, Guy, Emery, Arley and Clay Harris. MP

Margaret Altman

Canonsburg homemaker formerly of Bulger

Margaret Altman, 79, of Canonsburg, formerly of Bulger, died Tuesday, March 11, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born November 15, 1923, a daughter of Robert J. and Lula Jamison Glass.

Mrs. Altman was a homemaker.

She was a member of Robinson United Presbyterian Church and Burgettstown Grange 1502.

Her husband, Kenneth Altman, is deceased.

Surviving are a sister, Jean Rocher of McDonald; a brother, Howard Glass of Bulger; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are three brothers, Paul, Wallace and Robert Glass. RO

Ruth Anna Hardie

Member of Trinity United Presbyterian Church

Ruth Anna Hardie, 99, formerly of McDonald, died Monday, March 17, 2003, in Beverly Hills Health Care, McMurray.

She was born October 3, 1903, in Pittsburgh, where she was raised by John and Anna Lindsay McCarty.

Mrs. Hardie was a 1922 graduate of McDonald High School and attended University of Pittsburgh.

She taught for three years directly after high school in McMurray. She later worked as an assistant bookkeeper for McCarty Lumber in McDonald.

Mrs. Hardie then moved to Oil City and worked in a potato chip factory for a few years before working at Chataqua Presbyterian headquarters as head of the kitchen.

In 1973, she retired as head of the Fort Cherry High School cafeteria after 14 years of service.

Mrs. Hardie was a member of Trinity United Presbyterian Church, where she was a past deacon, member of the chancel choir, taught junior church and was head of the kitchen for 30 years.

She belonged to McDonald Women's Club and Garden Club.

In 1926, she married William C. Hardie, who died in 1965.

Surviving are two daughters, Ruth Ann Mooney of Franklin and Marilyn Elizabeth Puleo of Madison, Conn.; six grandchildren, Kimberly Crowe, Melinda Henderson, Robert Mooney, Tonja Kelly, Beth Biondi and Theresa Bombace; 14 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild. RR

Thomas M. Hallam

Longtime airline employee served in WWII

Thomas M. Hallam, an 11-year resident of Sierra Vista, Ariz., died Tuesday, March 18, 2003, after a brief illness.

He was born July 13, 1917, in Southview, a son of Thomas and Retta Hallam.

Mr. Hallam was a 1935 graduate of McDonald High School and served as a radio operator during World War II.

He was a coal miner in Pennsylvania, then a senior flight dispatcher for Pennsylvania Central Airlines, Capital Airlines and United Airlines for more than 39 years.

He loved gardening, especially his roses, watching sports and Arizona's warm sunny days.

Surviving are his wife of more than 55 years, Myra; a son, Thomas Hallam; a daughter, Nancy Fusco; a sister, Barbara Turner; six grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. RR

Walter E. Coles

J&L Steel retiree

Walter E. "Buddy" Coles, 78, of Midway, died Saturday, March 22, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born December 25, 1924, in McDonald, a son of Miles D. and Della B. Gregory Coles.

Mr. Coles was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II.

He worked for more than 30 years at J&L Steel in Aliquippa, retiring in 1981.

Mr. Coles was member of First Baptist Church in McDonald, where, at the time of his death, he was a deacon.

He was a member of Lions Club in Midway, American Legion Post 405 in Sewickley and Masonic Lodge Lincoln Star 80.

On June 19, 1948, he married Eva H. Harper, who died February 7, 1998.

Surviving are a son, Walter E. Coles Jr. of Chicago, Ill.; a brother, Miles Coles of Virginia Beach, Va.; three sisters, Genevieve Perkins of Bellview, Ann Kenderson of Pittsburgh and Mary Smith of Cleveland, Ohio; a grandson, Walter E. Coles III; two great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a brother, Charles Coles; and two sisters, Gwendolyn Adams and Geraldine Tyler. C

Sandra A. Lucciola

Longtime manager of GeeBee, Value City

Sandra A. Lucciola, 60, of Canonsburg, died at 8:45 a.m. Monday, March 24, 2003.

She was born May 19, 1942, in Washington, a daughter of the late Gabriel and Ann Kosharsky Divich.

Mrs. Lucciola was a manager at GeeBee and Value City discount stores in Washington for 25 years and also worked as a retail manager at Jay's Hallmark in Waynesburg.

She was a graduate of Chartiers-Houston High School and was a member of the Democratic Women of Washington County.

Surviving are two sons, Samuel P. Lucciola III of Apollo and Anthony V. Lucciola of Canonsburg; two brothers, John Divich of Yuma, Ariz., and Tom Divich of Phoenix, Ariz.; three grandchildren, Jennifer Russo-McClellan, Nathan Sekelik and Anthony Lucciola; and several nieces and nephews. OS

Isobel H. Riehl

Retired McDonald Area, Midway schoolteacher.

Isobel H. Riehl, 93, of Midway, died Wednesday, March 26, 2003, in Manor Care, McMurray.

She was born July 16, 1909, a daughter of Frank and Mary Sneddon Holland.

Mrs. Riehl was a graduate of California University.

She retired as a schoolteacher for Midway and McDonald Area school systems.

Mrs. Riehl was an organist and choir director for Midway Methodist Church for 35 years.

She was a member of Center United Presbyterian Church, Midway Senior Citizens, McDonald Women's Club, Washington County Education Association, Pennsylvania State Education Association, National Education Association and Fort Cherry Education Association.

Her husband, Charles Riehl, died in 1946.

Surviving are a brother, Frank Holland Jr.; a sister, Betty Bell of Manor; two nieces, Mary F. Cataney and Gene Finnegan; and two nephews, James Mastic and Tom Bell. C

Richard E. Sollon

Deputy coroner owned Aero-National

Richard E. Sollon, 52, of Canonsburg, died unexpectedly Wednesday, March 26, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born August 7, 1950, in Canonsburg, a son of the late Louis N. and Bernice Bysick Sollon.

Mr. Sollon graduated from Emery-Riddell Aeronautical University in Florida in 1972, where he was a member of Delta Chi fraternity. He was a 1978 graduate of Pittsburgh Institute of Mortuary Science and received his state funeral director's license in 1979.

He was co-owner of Aero-National at Washington County Airport and was a Washington County deputy coroner.

Mr. Sollon was a member of National Air Transportation Association, Professional Air Medical Transportation Association and Washington Flyers Club.

He was a member of Canonsburg Moose, Canonsburg Elks, AHEPA and Washington Chamber of Commerce.

On July 14, 1973, he married Janice DeJohn, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Maria and Angela, both at home; and three brothers, Louis M. Sollon of Washington and J. David and Phillip B. Sollon, both of Canonsburg. OS

Etta J. Robson

Member of Christian Missionary Alliance

Etta J. Robson, 89, of Rochester, N.Y., formerly of McDonald, died Saturday, March 29, 2003, in Brightonian Nursing Home, Rochester, following a lengthy illness.

She was born January 6, 1914, in McDonald, a daughter of William J. and Sarah Lewis Jenkins.

She was a member of Christian Missionary Alliance Church of McDonald and North Baptist Church of Rochester.

She enjoyed baking, sewing and traveling to see her family.

Surviving are four daughters, Alice Ingram of Chrisman, Ill., Sally Miller of West Chicago, Ill., Kathy Button of Rochester and Verna Langley of Otis, Ore.; two sisters, Anna Windsheimer of Canonsburg and Carol Roepe of North Carolina; nine grandchildren; and many great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two sons, William and James Robson; a brother, William Jenkins Jr.; and two sisters, Maurine Braun and Gaynelle Harouse. RR

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 great-grandchildren. MP

Mary Lou Wheeler

Attended Living Waters Church of God



Mary Lou Wheeler, 74, of West Alexander, died Sunday, April 6, 2003, in her home.

She was born February 24, 1929, in Washington, a daughter of Floyd and Ivy Allen Wheeler.

Mrs. Wheeler attended Living Waters Church of God, Washington, and enjoyed bird watching, solving word-find puzzles and her grandchildren.

Mrs. Wheeler had made her home with her nephew, Robert Wheeler.

Surviving are a son, David Wheeler of West Alexander; two daughters, Nancy Mundell of Avella and Bonnie Young of Peoria, Ariz.; a brother, Lloyd Wheeler of Washington; a sister, Blanche Frazee of East Finley; nine grandchildren, Sherry Wytovich, Kimberly Heirendt, David Wheeler, Kenneth Wheeler, Ivy Wambach, Jerry Mundell and April, Cyndee, and Brandi Young; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a sister, Rachel McCartney; and a brother, Floyd Wheeler, who was killed in the Korean War.

NB

Deward R. Knotts Jr.

Taylorstown farmer

Deward Raymond Knotts Jr., 64, of Taylorstown, died Monday, March 31, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

He was born May 9, 1938, in Washington, a son of Deward Raymond Sr. and Gertrude Felton Knotts.

Mr. Knotts was a member of Living Waters Church of God in Washington.

He was a 1957 graduate of Washington High School and was a farmer.

He was employed by Brockway Glass in Washington for 26 years, until its closing.

On July 3, 1959, in Full Gospel Tabernacle, Washington, he married Twila Joan Six, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Cody Knotts of Taylorstown; a daughter, Christal Beatty of Washington; two sisters, Dorothy Ward of Prosperity and Mary Beck of Washington; and three grandchildren, James and Joshua Beatty and Nicholas Alexander Knotts.

A sister, Evelyn Stainbrook, is deceased.

CL

Hazel J. Spalding

Member of First Baptist Church in Claysville

Hazel J. Spalding, 73, of Claysville, died Thursday, April 3, 2003, in Hillsview Personal Care Home, Claysville.

She was born November 12, 1929, in Washington Hospital, a daughter of James and Viola Whiteman Jackson.

Mrs. Spalding was a lifelong resident of Claysville.

She was a member of First Baptist Church in Claysville, where she participated in the fellowship class.

Mrs. Spalding was a 1948 graduate of Claysville High School.

She was employed for a brief time by Jessop Steel Co. in Washington.

Mrs. Spalding was a homemaker and enjoyed sewing, bingo and spending time with her family. She was a Cub Scout den mother.

On July 6, 1950, in Washington, she married Irvin B. Spalding, who died December 3, 1993.

Surviving are three sons, Larry and Donnie Spalding, both of Claysville, and Roger Spalding of Washington; a brother, Herman Jackson of Claysville; a sister, Mary Fordyce of Marionville; seven grandchildren, Shalynn, Alyse and Cassie Spalding, Kielly Carroll and Chase, Sierra and Dakota Spalding; and a great-granddaughter.

Deceased are six brothers, Paul, Melvin, Del, Howard, Albert and Willie Jackson; and three sisters, Mary Piatt and Wilda and Wilma, twins who died at birth.

CL

Frank B. Dunkle

Frank B. Dunkle, 75, of 1174 Maple Terrace, died in Washington Hospital Saturday, August 15, 1953 at 7 a.m. Mr. Dunkle was born April 21, 1878, a son of Hawthorne and Mary Keenan Dunkle. He was engaged in farming in Brush Run section for 45 years, moving to Washington in 1942. He was married January 6, 1914 to Edith Collier. The deceased attended the Free Methodist Church, Washington. Surviving are his wife; two daughters, Mrs. Ila Meloy, Avella, RD 1; Mrs. Florence Ford, Henderson Avenue; three sons, Roy G. Dunkle, Amity, RD 1; Alvin K. Dunkle, Rea, RD 1; Robert E. Dunkle, at home; one brother, Charles H. Dunkle of Buffalo; one sister, Mrs. Clara Smith, Burgettstown, RD 4. Also surviving are 11 grandchildren.

Miss Sarah M. Rush.

West Middletown, November 29—Miss Sarah M. Rush died Wednesday, November 28, 1928 in her home in West Middletown following a stroke of paralysis. She was born on a farm in Hopewell Township, a daughter of John and Nancy (Stoolfire) Rush, and spent her entire life there until eight months ago, when she came to West Middletown. She leaves one sister, Mrs. Eudora Ray of 34 Thayer Street, Washington, and one brother, Herbert Rush, living on the farm in Hopewell Township. Another sister, Miss Lillian Rush, died just six months ago. Interment will be in Grove Cemetery.

Harry M. Magill

Harry Marquis Magill, son of William T. and Mary (Marquis) Magill, Buffalo, this county died at the home of his father of pneumonia, aged 26 years. He was born in 1882. Mr. Magill, after finishing the common school course, attended the Albany Business School, Albany, New York. He is survived by the following brothers and sisters; Rev. C. B. Magill of the Memorial Presbyterian Church of Troy, New York; F. H. Magill, Washington; Mrs. John Allison, Canonsburg; Mrs. C. M. Hunter, Monongahela; Mrs. Rev. D. R. Montgomery, Cle Elum, Washington; Mrs. Louis A. Maxwell, Buffalo, and Mayme at home. Interment in Upper Buffalo Cemetery.

Walter Jones

Hopewell Township retired roadmaster

Walter "Mont" Jones, 72, of West Middletown, died at 2:50 p.m. Wednesday, April 9, 2003.

He was born May 26, 1930, in Hopewell Township, a son of Walter and Grace Irene Buchanan Jones.

Mr. Jones was a member of Christian Church of West Middletown and also attended Elm Road Mission Church.

He retired from Hopewell Township, where he worked as roadmaster for 42 years.

Mr. Jones served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

On November 25, 1954, in West Middletown, he married Shirley A. Yevins, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Kathy and Bonnie Durila, both of Claysville; two sons, Mark and Scot Jones, both of Avella; four grandchildren, Kristy, Kari, Kendall and Alexis; six great-grandchildren; and a sister, Irene Wallbrown of Steubenville, Ohio.

Deceased are a daughter, Becky Jones; two sisters, Loretta Christine Rush Salansky and Lillian Bemis; and two brothers, Paul and Ross Jones.

WM

Doris Gilbert

Retired aide at Mayview State Hospital

Doris Gilbert, 71, of Canonsburg, died Friday, April 4, 2003, in her home.

She was born January 5, 1932, in Marianna, a daughter of Arthur and Emma Issac Gilbert.

She attended Marianna School and was a 1950 graduate of West Bethlehem High School.

She worked as an aide at Mayview State Hospital for 35 years, retiring in 1991.

She was a member of First Baptist Church of Marianna and was an avid bingo player.

Surviving are a daughter, Susan Gilbert of Canonsburg; two sons, Joel and Corey Gilbert, both of Canonsburg; five grandchildren, Summer, Justin, Daniel and Stedman Peterson and Alexander Adams; a great-grandson; two sisters, Marie Gilbert and Pauline Dungee, both of Canonsburg; a brother, Clarence Gilbert of Pittsburgh; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are three brothers, Willie, John and Freddy Gilbert; three sisters, Lucielle, who died in infancy, Flossie Liggon and her twin sister, Dolores Gilbert.

OS

Sarah E. Sparber

Member of Noblestown Methodist Church

Sarah E. Sparber, 92, of South Fayette Township, died Monday, March 31, 2003, in Country Meadows Nursing Center, South Fayette Township.

She was born February 28, 1911, a daughter of Joseph and Stella Plants McGinnis.

Mrs. Sparber was a homemaker and a member of Noblestown Methodist Church, Oakdale.

On April 9, 1932, she married Charles W. Sparber Sr., who died in 1980.

Surviving are four sons, Charles W. Jr., D. Edward, Robert L. and Raymond E. Sparber; three sisters, Bell Riegert, Mary DeVos and Dorothy Jane Campbell; a brother Raymond McGinnis; seven grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

RR

Mary J. Daniels

Burgettstown homemaker

Mary J. Daniels, 88, of Burgettstown, died Friday, April 4, 2003, in her home.

She was born June 26, 1914, in Large, a daughter of Frank and Mary Sage Korosec.

Her husband, Raymond "Red" Daniels, died in 1985.

Surviving are two sons, Raymond and William Daniels, both of Burgettstown; a sister, Emma Lukon of Burgettstown and two grandsons, Raymond Daniels Jr. and William Daniels Jr.

Deceased are a brother, Frank Korosec; and two sisters, Fannie Korosec and Ann Vajentic.

MP

Miss Eleanor Mehaffey

Claysville, Jan. 31, 1908—As the result of burns received while preparing for bed, Miss Eleanor Mehaffey, died at her home near this place this morning at 8:30. The accident occurred last night and was the result of Miss Mehaffey's night dress catching fire from the open stove. The blaze spread rapidly and before it could be extinguished, the woman was fatally burned. In the room with her was Mrs. A.M. Dunkle, of Washington, an aunt. In some manner, while Mrs. Dunkle had her back turned, the woman's gown became ignited. Mrs. Dunkle was attracted by her niece's scream, and turning, she saw the woman enveloped in flames. She made a brave effort to put out the fire, and was succeeding when Miss Mehaffey, badly frightened broke away from her and ran from the room. Her gown was entirely burned from her body, and it was thought that she inhaled the flames. She was badly burned from head to foot. Drs. Inglis and Sprowls, of Claysville, were hastily called, and worked all of last night with the woman. She was unconscious and remained in that condition all through the night and this morning. Early today Dr. Bell was called in consultation and every known medical attention was given in order to relieve her sufferings. Miss Mehaffey was the only daughter of John and Sarah Jane Barr Mehaffey. Her mother died on September 4, 1864. Her father is still living at the age of 87 on the Mehaffey farm north of Claysville. The father was married a second time to Miss Sawhill, and by this marriage one son was born, W. J. Mehaffey.

Elizabeth Mehaffey

Miss Elizabeth Mary Mehaffey, 87, died in her home, Highland Avenue, West Alexander, Wednesday, June 4, 1952 at 4:10 p.m. A daughter of the late Robert and Mary McCoy Mehaffey, she was born June 28, 1865, in Independence Township, Mt. Hope section. She received her early education in the Scott School and was a graduate of the Washington Female Seminary. She is survived by six nieces; Miss Mariana Mehaffey, at home; Mrs. Eleanor Farrar of West Alexander; Mrs. Florence Buchanan of Prince Frederick MD.; Mrs. Emily Daubenspeck of Tionesta and Misses Sylvia and Marie Jamison of Ingram. WA

H. J. Ashbrook Sr.

Howard J. (Ash) Ashbrook, Sr., 62, died Friday, June 7, 1963, in the Washington Hospital. He was born in West Finley Township, near Burnsville, November 13, 1900, a son of the late Jackson and Elizabeth Loughman Ashbrook. Mr. Ashbrook was employed as a mechanic for the Pittsburgh-Wheeling Truck Express for many years. He was united in marriage with Alice M. Keegan, who preceded him in death November 3, 1948. Surviving are two daughters, Margaret, wife of Robert T. Miller, Claysville, and Helen Jean, wife of Dwight Richmond, Fairmont W.Va., one son, Howard J. Ashbrook, West Finley, RD 1; one sister, Blanche Carter, Washington, one brother, Ross Ashbrook, Washington, and 12 grandchildren. Interment was in the Claysville Cemetery.

William J. Mehaffey

Claysville, Nov. 18, 1929—William J. Mehaffey, the largest land owner in Donegal Township, and a prominent sheep raiser and orchardist, died in his late home. He was born May 25, 1868 on the home farm three miles north of Claysville, where he had made his home during his entire life. He was the son of John and Elizabeth Sawhill Mehaffey. He never married. He had one sister, Ella, who was burned to death in January of 1908. Mr. Mehaffey was a student at Washington and Jefferson College, but did not graduate. He was the owner of 600 acres of land in Donegal Township. He was a sheep raiser and peach orchardist. The nearest surviving relatives are cousins, including Miss Martha Mehaffey and Miss Mary Rodgers of Claysville; W. A. Mehaffey of Claysville, RD.; Miss Elizabeth Mehaffey of West Alexander; J. B. Mehaffey of Independence Township and Mrs. Avery Counselman of Short Creek W. Va. CL

Edward J. Bucheli

Member of Slovan SNPJ

Edward J. Bucheli, 89, of Midway, died Friday, March 28, 2003.

He was born July 3, 1913, in Bruster, a son of John and Margaret Kofaf Bucheli.

On June 25, 1938, he married Frances L. Zalaznik, who survives. They were married for 64 years.

Also surviving are a son, Edward D. Bucheli; a daughter, Jean K. Ondovik; and three grandchildren, Amy Nedrich and Anne and Michael Ondovik. C

Warren Moten

Construction worker was WWII Navy veteran

Warren (Barney) Moten, 79, of Washington, died at 1:55 p.m. Wednesday, March 26, 2003, in Washington.

He was born August 31, 1923, in Rea, a son of Phillip L. and Bertha Patterson Moten.

Mr. Moten served in the U.S. Navy during World War II as a first class seaman.

He was a self-employed construction worker.

On April 21, 1954, he married Martha Hope Grisby, who died April 16, 1989.

• Surviving are two brothers, Roy Moten of Washington and John Moten of Rea; and many nieces and nephews.

Deceased are three brothers, Howard, Phillip and Wayne Moten; and four sisters, Edith Patterson, Ruth Dempster, Mohtie Catlin and Lucille Moten. FL

Mrs. Howard Ashbrook

Mrs. Alice M. Ashbrook, 42, died at her home in the Meadows, Wednesday, November 3, 1948. Mrs. Ashbrook was born in Claysville December 1, 1906, a daughter of Dominick and Rena Barr Keegan. She spent her entire life in Claysville. She was a member of the Claysville Presbyterian Church. On March 30, 1922, she married Howard J. Ashbrook, who survives. Surviving in addition to her husband are the following sons and daughters; Howard Jr. and Peggy, at home; Mrs. Jean Richmond of Claysville; her mother, Mrs. Rena Keegan, and one sister, Mrs. Gaylord Buchanan, both of Claysville; also, one grandchild, Rena Rea Richmond. Interment will be in the Claysville Cemetery.

Mrs. Jas. W. Barr

Mrs. Sarah E. Barr, 93, died in the Washington Manor Nursing Home, Saturday, February 24, 1968. She was born November 26, 1874, a daughter of the late George K. and Martha Hutchison Milligan. Mrs. Barr was a member of the Class of 1893, the first class to graduate from Claysville High School. She was united in marriage with James W. Barr. Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Marguerite B. Carson, of Claysville; three sons, Dr. George W. Barr, of Claysville; J. Clifford Barr of West Alexander; and Frank Barr, of Washington. Interment was in the Claysville Cemetery.

Etta M. Dunkle

Etta M. Dunkle, 89, of Avella, PA., RD 1, died in the Washington Hospital, Sunday, November, 15, 1970, after an extended illness. She was born in Blaine Township August 18, 1881, a daughter of the late William and Elizabeth Bell Irwin Meloy, and spent all of her life there. She was married to John H. Dunkle, who died in 1935. Mrs. Dunkle was the last surviving member of her immediate family. Surviving are two sons; Homer R. of Avella, RD. 2; Russell G. Dunkle of Avella RD. 1; four grandchildren; 10 great grandchildren and two great, great grandchildren. Two sisters and three brothers are deceased.

Miss Lillian Rush

West Middletown, May 30, 1928—Miss Lillian F. Rush died in her home here last night. She was the daughter of John and Nancy (Stoolfire) Rush. She had been a lifelong resident of West Middletown. She leaves two sisters, Miss Sarah Rush of this place, and Miss Eudora Ray of Washington, and a brother, Herbert Rush of near West Middletown. The interment will be in Grove Cemetery.

William M. Meloy

William M. Meloy, formerly of West Alexander, died at Washington Hospital, September 5, 1939, in his 74th year. Mr. Meloy resided with his sisters, Martha and Ada Meloy at 31 North Avenue, Washington. He was born in Independence Township, near Mt. Hope, March 16, 1866. In 1912 he was united in marriage with Miss Mary Welch Denny. They continued to reside near Mt. Hope. In January 1922, they moved to this place, on Highland Avenue. Mrs. Meloy died May 20, 1928.

Mary Ellen Kelchner

Retired registered nurse
born in Taylorstown

Mary Ellen Kelchner, 72, of Pensacola, Fla., died Thursday, April 3, 2003, in her home.

She was born October 4, 1930, in Taylorstown, a daughter of Clarence Clark and Helen Mattax Mounts.

Mrs. Kelchner was a 1948 graduate of Claysville High School, where she was valedictorian of her senior class. She graduated from Washington Hospital School of Nursing in 1951.

For the past 38 years, she resided in Pensacola, where she retired as a registered nurse at Sacred Heart Hospital after 35 years of service. She had previously worked in other hospitals.

On June 14, 1953, in Taylorstown Christian Church, she married John M. Kelchner, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Helen Louise Kelchner and Kathleen Kelchner Sims; three grandchildren, Jennifer, Maggie and William Sims; and a sister, Nell Rose Miller of Taylorstown; and two nieces.

Services were held Monday, April 7, in Heights Baptist Church, Pensacola, with interment in Bayview Memorial

Catharine P. Kozar

Retired 5th Ward teacher

Catharine Proudfit Kozar, 98, of Westminster Towers, Orlando, Fla., formerly of Washington, died Saturday, April 5, 2003.

She was born August 18, 1904, in New Bethlehem, a daughter of the Rev. John L. and Mary Hanna Proudfit.

Mrs. Kozar graduated from Indiana Normal School and was a retired schoolteacher. She taught for 17 years in Washington School District's 5th Ward School. Prior to coming to Washington in 1944, she taught in Vanderbilt and Connellsville schools.

She was a member of First Presbyterian Church in Orlando and First Presbyterian Church of Washington. In Washington, she taught Sunday school and was active in several church groups.

On August 10, 1961, she married Peter Kozar and moved to Orlando. Mr. Kozar died in 1989.

Surviving are two brothers, Dr. J. Paul Proudfit of Washington and Dr. William L. Proudfit of Cleveland, Ohio; four nephews; and two nieces.

Mrs. Kozar will be buried in Orlando.

Elizabeth Bosseau

Worked at RCA for 32 years

Elizabeth Bosseau, 84, of Avella, died at 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 3, 2003, in Donnell House of Washington.

She was born October 11, 1918, in Primrose, a daughter of Paul and Elizabeth Barila Bresnay.

Mrs. Bosseau was a member of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church-Byzantine Rite of Avella, where she was a member of the altar society.

She was employed by RCA for 32 years as a group leader, retiring in 1980.

Mrs. Bosseau was a resident of the Avella area since 1936.

On December 18, 1935, she married Paul Bosseau, who died March 7, 2002.

She made her home with her daughter and son-in-law, Linda and Joseph Kortyna of Avella.

Surviving, in addition to her daughter, are a brother, Steve Bresnay of McDonald; and four nieces and three nephews.

Deceased are two sisters, Anna Frizzie and Mary Bidlen; two brothers, Michael Serbak and John Serbak; two half-sisters; and five half-brothers. **WP**

Brian Hardwick

Brian Hardwick, 21, of Burgettstown, died Thursday, April 10, 2003, in his home.

He was born April 25, 1982, in Washington, a son of Dorothy L. Craft Hardwick of Burgettstown.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are a sister, Karyn Kiss of Ohio; a brother, Kevin Kiss of Florida; grandparents, Frank and Eleanor Bender of Paris; and two nephews and one niece. **F**

Blanche Allen

Longtime employee
of Minnie's Tavern

Blanche Allen, 90, of Washington, died at 9:25 p.m. Thursday, April 10, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born February 22, 1913, in Washington County, a daughter of Robert and Harriet Allen.

Miss Allen was a housekeeper and had worked at Minnie's Tavern for more than 50 years.

Surviving are several nieces and nephews.

Miss Allen was the last of her immediate family.

Deceased are four brothers, Wilbert, Alvin, Ralph and Preston Allen; and six sisters, Rena Clemens, Marie Morris, Ivy Wheeler and Hazel, Laura and Lily Allen. **NB**

John Morton Jones

Member of Burgettstown
UP Church

John Morton Jones, 89, of Burgettstown, died Monday, April 7, 2003, in his home.

He was born July 25, 1913, in Marianna, a son of Archibald and Margaret Roule Jones.

Mr. Jones retired as a purchasing agent for Harmon Creek Coal Co.

He was a member of Burgettstown United Presbyterian Church and Richard Vaux Masonic Lodge 454, where he served as past master.

On September 13, 1938, he married Elizabeth (Betty) Marie Schaaf, who died January 6, 2002.

Surviving are two daughters, Deborah L. Ready of Delaware and Norma Jean Dick of Florida; five grandchildren, James, Kevin and Michael Dick, Jeffrey Ready and Elizabeth Kwitowski; five great-grandchildren; and a brother, James Jones of Bulger.

A sister, Margaret Jones, is deceased. **MP**

S. Gertrude Phillips

Member of Hickory United
Presbyterian Church

S. Gertrude Phillips, 99, formerly of Hickory, died Sunday, April 13, 2003, in Washington County Health Center, Washington.

She was born January 25, 1904, in Hickory, a daughter of James A. and E. Pearl Paul McGugin.

Mrs. Phillips was the oldest member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church, where she served as deacon and taught Sunday school and Goodnews Class.

She was the last surviving graduate of Hickory High School Class of 1923.

Mrs. Phillips was a former member of Fireside Club and Hickory Farm Women.

On June 16, 1934, she married Robert S. Phillips, who died December 9, 1992.

Surviving are four granddaughters, Robin Reininger, Sherry Foster, Christi Hoffman and JymmeMcQuillan; a sister, Mary Jane Stough of Loudonville, Ohio; a brother, the Rev. James McGugin of Gresham, Ore.; and seven great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, James R. Phillips; a great-grandson; and a sister, Mabel Lawton. **MP**

Ralph S. Kahlbaugh

Retired farmer



Ralph S. Kahlbaugh, 95, of Washington, formerly of Hickory, died at 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 12, 2003, in

Washington County Health Center, Washington, following a lengthy illness.

He was born November 27, 1907, in Majorsville, W. Va., a son of William Henry and Nancy Jane Harris Kahlbaugh.

Mr. Kahlbaugh was a self-employed farmer for most of his working years. He worked for Gnegy Surge Milking Co. for a short time before retiring.

Mr. Kahlbaugh enjoyed woodworking and birdwatching.

In 1938, he married Mae Poland, with whom he celebrated 65 years of marriage on March 28.

Also surviving, in addition to his wife, are a son, Kenneth R. Kahlbaugh of Washington; a daughter, Dolores Swierkowski of Allison Park; a sister, Katherine Bowers of Houston; five grandchildren, Kenneth II and Joseph Kahlbaugh and Karen, Michael and Cathy Swierkowski; and six great-grandchildren.

Deceased are three sisters, Ida Thomas, Hazel Ealy and Martha Ealy; and three brothers, Alfred, Elias and Delmar Kahlbaugh.

Mt. View Cemetery, Dallas, W. Va.

Ethel Virginia Warrell

Member of Claysville
Christian Church



Ethel Virginia Warrell, 84, of Claysville, died Sunday, April 13, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born February 9, 1919, in West Middletown, a daughter of John A. and Ada Doak Rothwell.

Mrs. Warrell was a member of Claysville Christian Church.

She was a homemaker and had assisted with several elderly people over the years. She also had done sewing for many members of the community.

Mrs. Warrell enjoyed flower gardening, sewing, cooking, baking and reading the Bible.

In January 1967, she married Fred Warrell, who died in 1991.

Surviving are a son, John W. Rothwell of Claysville; a stepson, Fred Warrell of Claysville; two stepgrandsons, Fred and Michael Warrell; and three stepgreat-grandchildren. **CL**

Grace H. McPeak

Member of Hickory UP Church and grange



Grace H. McPeak, 86, of Washington, died Monday, April 14, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington, following a brief illness.

She was born December 5, 1916, in South Strabane Township, a daughter of Wray and Blanche Donson Herron.

Mrs. McPeak was a 1935 graduate of Trinity High School.

She was a member of Gretna Grange, Buffalo Grange and Pomona National Grange. She enjoyed sewing, crocheting and gardening.

Mrs. McPeak also was a member of the Hickory United Presbyterian Church.

On December 25, 1935, she married Alan M. McPeak, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, David A. McPeak of Washington; a granddaughter, Pamela Carlini; and a great-grandchild.

Deceased are a brother, Edward Herron; and a sister, Edith Hamilton. **MP**

Jules W. Delaney

Sturgeon man retired from Columbia Gas

Jules W. Delaney, 89, of Sturgeon, died Friday, April 18, 2003, in his home.

He was born September 25, 1913, in Sturgeon, a son of Jules and Ida Romain Delaney.

Mr. Delaney graduated from McDonald High School and was employed by Columbia Gas for 33 years before retiring in 1978.

He was a member of St. Patrick Roman Catholic Church in Noblestown.

Mr. Delaney was a life member, past president and trustee of Sturgeon Volunteer Fire Department.

On December 13, 1941, he married Clarice May Bonnaure, who died May 1, 1991.

Surviving are a son, Hector J. Delaney of Sturgeon; a daughter, Marlene D. Peluso of Sturgeon; a brother, Arthur Delaney of Noblestown; a sister, Rose Marie Zierden of Sturgeon; five grandchildren, Brian, Craig and Keith Delaney and Kevin and Michael Peluso; and eight great-grandchildren.

Deceased are five brothers, Raymond, George, Robert, James and Hector Delaney; and three sisters, Juliette Watters, Florence Sauers and Norma Gaitens. **RR**

Ila Lee Forney

Member of Hickory Farm Women's Club



Ila Lee Forney, 94, of Washington, died Thursday, April 17, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born May 3, 1908, in Washington, a daughter of Frank L. and Carrie J. Ayres Cummins.

Mrs. Forney lived 60 years in the Avella area and five years in Centre County.

She was a member of Hickory Presbyterian Church and Hickory Farm Women's Club.

Mrs. Forney attended the former Miller School and Hickory High School, where she played on the girls basketball team.

She was a homemaker and enjoyed cooking big meals.

Her hobbies included reading, traveling and talking with family and friends.

On August 16, 1928, she married Daniel Curlis Forney, who died May 4, 1973.

Surviving are two sons, Daniel Forney of Marianna and James A. Forney of Washington; six grandchildren, Gail Bookhardt, Gary and Neil Forney, Sandra Bruce, Randy Forney and Connie Trudeau; 13 great-grandchildren; a great-great-grandchild; a niece; and four nephews.

Deceased are a brother, Glenn Cummins; two sisters, Ethel Hutchison and Jeanette Hamilton; an infant brother, John; and a granddaughter, Cynthia Forney, who died at birth. **OS**

Arthur E. Rank Jr.

Driver for Russell Standard

Arthur E. Rank Jr., 64, of McDonald, North Fayette Township, died Tuesday, April 22, 2003.

He was a retired truck driver for Russell Standard Industries.

Surviving are his wife, Nancy Orel Rank; three daughters, Renee Barna of Cranberry, Sherry Nease of Hickory and April Gilman of Harrisburg; four grandchildren, Kristin and Daniel Barna and Jamie and Jake Nease.

Deceased are his parents, Arthur Rank Sr., who died April 6, 2003, and Elizabeth Schumacher Rank, who died March 24, 1993; one daughter, Kathy Rank, who died December 20, 1999; and a sister, Dolores Clark. **RR**

Harriet W. Thompson

Muse resident

Harriet W. Thompson, 90, of Muse, died at 11:10 a.m. Saturday, April 19, 2003, in McMurray Hills Manor, McMurray.

She was born November 18, 1912, in Monongahela, a daughter of Albert and Nora Kelley.

Mrs. Thompson spent most of her life in Muse.

She was Protestant and enjoyed shopping.

Her husband, Frank Thompson, died February 3, 1978.

Surviving are a son, James Thompson of Muse; a daughter, Marlene Sprence of Canonsburg; a brother, William Kelley of Canonsburg; a sister, Dorothy Byers of Cleveland, Ohio; five grandchildren, Dana Eggers, Christine DelVecchio, Wendy DeGiovanni, Frank Thompson and Scott Thompson; three great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, James and George Kelley. **OS**

Stella R. Cacia

McDonald woman enjoyed word search puzzles

Stella R. Cacia, 79, of McDonald, died Wednesday, April 16, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington.

She was born February 21, 1924, a daughter of William and Bertha Hewitt Ackley.

Mrs. Cacia was a homemaker and enjoyed word search puzzles.

On August 9, 1948, she married James J. Cacia, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Diane L. Yurosky of McDonald; a brother, Raymond Ackley of Midway; three sisters, Nora Calvert of Prosperity, Margaret Thomas of Claysville and Verna Martin of Washington; and a grandson, John Menesini.

Deceased are a brother, John Ackley, and two sisters, Edith and Josephine.

RANK ARTHUR J. Sr.

92, of Sturgeon, on Sunday, April 6, 2003; beloved husband of the late Elizabeth Schumacher Rank March 24, 1993; son of the late Ernest and Augustine Rank; father of Arthur E. (Nancy) Rank, Jr of Sturgeon and the late Dolores Clark; grandfather of Renee Barna, Sherry Nease, April Gilman, Robert Clark, Jr., Cindy Davies and Shawn Clark; great grandfather of six; deceased are three sisters, Blanche Adamson, Margaret Gelly, and Evelyn Schollaert. Mr. Rank was a retired investigator for Allegheny County working in the Kane Hospital. Friends will be received 7-9pm Tuesday in the **THOMAS-LITTLE FUNERAL SERVICE, INC.** 314 W. Lincoln Avenue, McDonald where funeral service will be held at 11am. Wednesday. Interment will follow in Robinson Run Cemetery.

Evelyn Underwood

Cafeteria cook in Claysville schools

Evelyn Underwood, 78, of Claysville, died Wednesday, April 16, 2003, in Tandem Village of North Strabane.

She was born October 1, 1924, in West Newton, a daughter of Joseph and Clara Kisselovich.

Mrs. Underwood was a member of Claysville United Methodist Church.

She was a 1942 graduate of Elizabeth High School and was a homemaker.

For many years, Mrs. Underwood was employed as a cook in the cafeteria at Claysville High School, Claysville Elementary School and McGuffey High School.

She was a member of Evening Star Chapter 187, OES of Claysville, served on Evening Star International Order of the Rainbow for Girls 145 and received the Grand Cross of Color for her service.

Mrs. Underwood enjoyed quilting, gardening and bingo.

On July 14, 1945, in Hampton, Ark., she married Layton Underwood, who died March 5, 2001.

Surviving are four sons, Layton Jr. of Valrico, Fla., James of Altoona, David of Salisbury, Md., and Jerome Underwood of Atlanta, Ga.; four brothers, Ted of McKeesport, Joe of Oakland, Md., Kenny of Louisiana and Raymond Kisselovich of Elizabeth; nine grandchildren, Shawndel Berkstresser, Tracey Lund, Angie White, Shawn, Jason, David Jr. and Scott Underwood, Kelly Cowan and Tammi Marie Iams; nine great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. **CL**

Deloris B. Neish

Lab technician at West Penn Hospital

Deloris B. Neish, 85, of Canonsburg, died Thursday, April 10, 2003, in Avant Nursing Home, Concord, N.C.

She was born May 14, 1917, in Coal Center, a daughter of John and Edith Hanna Neish.

Miss Neish attended Canonsburg High School and was a lab technician for West Penn Hospital.

Surviving is a nephew, Mark Neish of Salisbury, N.C.

Deceased are two brothers, John and Al Neish; and two sisters, Jean Kinkle and Lucille Neish. She was the last of her immediate family.

Private graveside services were held Tuesday, April 15, with burial in Oak Spring Cemetery.

Helen Geraldine Thomas

Member of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church



Helen Geraldine (Jerry) Thomas, 70, of Washington, died at 2 a.m. Sunday, April 20, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born September 1, 1932, in West Finley, a daughter of Cecil and Mabel Long Iams Livingood.

Mrs. Thomas was a 1950 graduate of Trinity High School and a member of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church.

She had been employed by Authenrites five-and-ten, and she worked at Thrift Drug for 29 years before her retirement.

Mrs. Thomas was a member of AARP.

On July 27, 1950, she married Bryan (Junior) Thomas, who died July 21, 1988.

Surviving are three daughters, Nancy Lee Simonelli of Florida, Judith Ann Samples of Washington and Paula S. Thomas of New York, N.Y.; two brothers, George Livingood of Washington and Jack E. Livingood of Brockport; two sisters, Leanna Napolitan and Susan Schneck, both of Washington; seven grandchildren, Jodi Rush, Lori Keller, Christy Evon, Tammie Windsheimer, Joshua Edwards, George Simonelli Jr. and Jaimie Simonelli; three stepgrandchildren, Holly, Lora and Robby Samples; 18 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a son, James Bryan Thomas; a half brother, Douglas Livingood; a half sister, Judy Livingood Harrison; and a granddaughter, Jennifer Edwards.

She was the stepdaughter of Ross Iams.

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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.

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 Baxter.

MP

Fred Arthur Williams

1927 Avella grad, Navy vet was active in Strasburg

Fred Arthur Williams, 93, of East Main Street, Strasburg, died Saturday, April 19, 2003, in The Glen at Willow Valley, Lancaster, following a brief illness.

He was born May 2, 1909, in Pittsburgh, a son of Arthur Fred and Mary Nolen Williams.

Mr. Williams was a 1927 graduate of Avella High School and a 1931 graduate of Westminster College. He did graduate work at Washington & Jefferson College and University of Pittsburgh. He spent the next six years teaching in Pittsburgh area schools and working in the summer as a feature writer and sports editor of the *Chautauquan Daily* in Chautauqua, N.Y.

In 1938, he joined the public relations firm, Ketchum Inc., headquartered in Pittsburgh, where he served in cities from coast to coast.

Mr. Williams was commissioned as a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy in 1943 and spent several years on active duty in the Pacific area, serving as a top-secret communications officer on the staff of Adm. Chester W. Nimitz.

He and his family moved to Strasburg in 1946 after World War II. He worked as an assistant sales manager at Slaymaker Lock Co., Strasburg, and later as general sales manager, vice president and board member. From 1964 until his retirement in 1975, he was president and chief executive officer.

Surviving are a daughter, Margaret Young of Washington, D.C.; a son, Fred Williams Jr. of Midlothian, Va.; and four grandchildren.

Deceased is his wife, Margaret E. Young Williams, who died in August 1998.

WM

1894 Matthew Cochran

Matthew Cochran, 58, of Carnegie, died suddenly Saturday, October 25, 1952, in East Liverpool, Ohio. He passed away enroute to a hospital.

He had been employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad for 36 years and was a former ticket agent in McDonald and at the time of his death was assistant ticket agent at Carnegie.

Mr. Cochran was a son of the late John B. and Cassy McMillen Cochran, formerly residents of McDonald.

He served in the U. S. Army in World War I and was a former member of Ernest Phillips Post, 485, American Legion, McDonald.

Mr. Cochran is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Wilbert B. Wallace, of Washington, and Mrs. Henry Gardner, of R. D. 3, McDonald; three nieces, a nephew, and a great-nephew.

Funeral services were held this Wednesday afternoon in the Pettit funeral home in charge of the Rev. W. N. Thornburg, pastor of the Venice U. P. church. Burial was in Robinson's Run cemetery.

Joseph Voytek

Old Timers Baseball member

Joseph Voytek, 84, of Washington, died at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 22, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington.

He was born April 12, 1919, in Smock, a son of John and Catherine Orbin Voytek.

Mr. Voytek was a member of Old Timers Baseball.

He was employed by Ben Construction Co. of Pittsburgh, for 30 years, retiring in 1982.

On September 2, 1976, he married Clara M. Starinsky, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Donald Voytek of West Middletown; three daughters, Sharon Blair of Florida, Mildred (Millie) Casey of Avella and Gerri Pramesa of Warwood, W.Va.; seven grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and a sister, Katherine McFall of Washington.

Deceased are three brothers, John, Steve and Mike Voytek.

WP

Cecelia C. Davis

Canonsburg woman was WWII medical technician

Cecelia C. Davis, 80, of Canonsburg, died Wednesday, April 23, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born August 16, 1922, in Canonsburg, a daughter of Alexander and Mary Lehner Kerner.

During World War II, Mrs. Davis served with the Women's Army Corps, Medical Corps, as a medical technician.

She enjoyed camping, painting and working with ceramics.

Surviving are her husband, Dale A. Davis; a daughter, Mary Alice Tortorice of Elizabeth; three sons, Dale A. Jr. and Donald J. Davis, both of Anaheim, Calif., and James D. Davis of Manassas, Va.; a sister, Frances Morrison of Canonsburg; five grandchildren, Jennie and John Spadicini and James D. Jr., Cassie and Brianna Davis.

Deceased are a son, Alex Davis; three sisters, Mary Urick, Carol Hamilton and Margaret Carr; and two brothers, Albert and William Kerner.

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Louis Bernard

Member of St. Patrick Church, Canonsburg



Louis Bernard, 91, of Hickory, died Wednesday, April 23, 2003, in the Donnell House, Washington, following a

yearlong illness.

He was born October 3, 1911, in Houston, a son of Quirino and Anna Peiroto Bernard.

Prior to his retirement in 1976, he was employed by Climax Molybdenum in Langeloth and previously employed by Cyanamid of Bridgeville.

Mr. Bernard was a member of St. Patrick Roman Catholic Church, Canonsburg, Chartiers-Houston and Meadow Lands Senior Citizens.

He enjoyed spending the winters in Pinellas Park, Fla., traveling, gardening and spending time with his family.

On August 18, 1934, in Wellsburg, W.Va., he married Edith Antonietta, his wife of 68 years, who survives.

Surviving, in addition to his wife, are a son, John Louis Bernard of Hickory; a daughter, Carol Ann Cox of Eighty Four; four grandchildren, Michael Bernard, Michelle Helfer and Eric and Jeffrey Cox; four great-grandchildren; and a brother, Leo Bernard of Houston.

Deceased are three brothers, Mario, George, and Reno Bernard; and two sisters, Amelia Doutré and Mary Kerin.

Interment in St. Patrick Cemetery Canonsburg.

Mrs. Alexander B. Cochran

Mrs. Charlotte Carson Cochran, 77, wife of Alexander B. Cochran, died Sunday, October 12, 1947, in the family home, Coal street, McDonald.

Born in Armoey County, Antrim, Ireland, May 14, 1870, she was a daughter of the late Robert and Jane Bell Carson. She had been a resident of McDonald the past 61 years.

Mrs. Cochran was a member of the First United Presbyterian church, McDonald, also of Pansy Rebekah Lodge, 592, McDonald.

Besides her husband, she is survived by 11 children: Mrs. Susan McDowell and Robert Cochran of McDonald, Mrs. Jean Putman, Steubenville, Ohio; Mrs. Matilda Martin, Youngstown, Ohio; Mrs. Anna Gordon, Mingo Junction, Ohio; Mrs. Georgie Baker, Pleasant Hills; Mrs. Emma Loffert, Candor; Mrs. Charlotte Runger, Mt. Lebanon; Mrs. Laura Barnard, Hollidays Cove, W.Va.; Miss Roberta Cochran, at home, and Alexander Cochran, Cleveland, Ohio; also 21 grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon in her late home in charge of the Rev. Joseph H. Rodgers, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, McDonald. Burial was in Robinsons Run cemetery.

John A. Craig

Born in Independence

John A. (Alex) Craig, 82, of Follansbee, W.Va., died Saturday, May 3, 2003, in Weirton (W.Va.) Medical Center.

He was born December 1, 1920, in Independence, a son of Alvin and Jane Adams Craig.

Surviving are his wife of 55 years, Elva J. Riggle Craig; a son, John W. Craig of Wintersville, Ohio; and a daughter, Gail Tennant of Follansbee. WM

Charles A. Brock

U.S. Navy veteran

Charles A. Brock, 64, of Washington, died Monday, May 5, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

He was born October 15, 1938, in Washington, a son of George and Kathryn Parkinson Brock.

Mr. Brock worked 14 years for Adlin J. Strimel Builders and served for 4 years on Houston Borough Council.

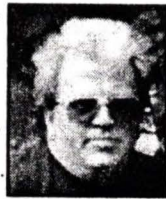
He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, having served in the Korean War.

On December 20, 1978, he married Helen Nixon, who survives.

Also surviving are four daughters, Karen Kief of Houston, Cindy Ayres of Canonsburg and Dawn and Victoria Brock, both of Washington; five grandchildren, Kirsten and Megan Ayres and David, James, and Dillon Wright; a brother, James Brock; four sisters, Kay Bush of West Alexander, Ruth King and Connie Stewart, both of Washington, and Janet Heatly of Bellview, Fla. NB

Eugene Kaposy Sr.

Employed by Goodrich Tire



Eugene (Chuck) Kaposy Sr., 53, of Washington, died at 3:40 p.m. Tuesday, April 29, 2003, in Washington Hospital,

following a brief illness.

He was born November 29, 1949, in Washington, a son of Agnes Georgetti Kaposy of Washington and the late Anthony Kaposy.

Mr. Kaposy was Catholic and a graduate of Avella High School.

He was employed in tire service for Goodrich Tire Co.

Amy Sikora was his caregiver.

Surviving are two sons, Eugene C. Kaposy Jr. of Nashville, Tenn., and Jason Paul Kaposy of Petersburg, W.Va.; two daughters, Rebecca Ruth Higgins and Joni Marie Kaposy, both of Elkins, W.Va.; a brother, Richard Kaposy of Washington; two sisters, Rose Kaposy of Washington and Alberta Marshall of Burgettstown; and seven grandchildren, Vanessa, Alicia, Christian, Bailey, Danyelle and Abbigale Kaposy, and Ryan Miller.

Deceased are a daughter, Toni Lynn Kaposy; and a sister, Frances M. McNary. I

Byron Alva Snyder

Mechanic for Bethlehem Steel mines



Byron Alva Snyder, 67, of Kinston, N.C., died at 12:22 p.m. Sunday, April 27, 2003, in Sunrise Hospital, Las Vegas, Nev.

He was born June 5, 1935, in Timblin, Jefferson, a son of Elmer and Rose Ann Rockwell Snyder.

Mr. Snyder was a 1954 graduate of Punxsutawney High School and a member of Apostolic Gospel Church.

He was a coal miner employed by Bethlehem Steel as a mechanic for 20 years and was a member of United Mine Workers Local 5.

Surviving are three sons, Thomas and Christopher Snyder, both of Claysville, and James Snyder of Avella; a daughter, Janice Christopher of Las Vegas; seven brothers, Kenneth of Erie, Daryl of Dearborn, Mich., Fred of Washington, Howard of Punxsutawney, Charles Roy of Ringgold, Ronald of Orlando, Fla., and Raymond Snyder of Aliquippa; two sisters, Naomi Geist of Erie and Olive Slee of Butler; and a granddaughter, Katlyn Snyder.

Deceased are a sister, Phyllis Smith; and two brothers, Norman and Earl Snyder. WM

Martin H. Penberthy

Commanded McDonald American Legion Post 485

Martin R. Penberthy, 83, of McDonald, died Wednesday, April 30, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born April 14, 1920, in North Fayette Township, a son of Harry and Nellie Boynes Penberthy.

Mr. Penberthy was a 1937 graduate of North Fayette High School.

He was drafted into the U.S. Army in March 1942 and assigned to a tank destroyer battalion. In 1945, he was commissioned as a second lieutenant with the 628th Tank Destroyer Platoon and led campaigns in Northern France, Ardennes, Central Europe and Rhineland during World War II.

Mr. Penberthy worked as a machinist for Fisher Control in Coraopolis for eight years before retiring in 1983.

On October 26, 1946, he married Dorothy M. Charlier, who survives.

Also surviving are four daughters, Debby L. Rice of Claysville, Kimberly A. Cook of Pennsbury Village, Marta J. Pletz of Crafton and Tami M. Goddard of Hickory; three grandchildren, Brad Tournay, Dana Myers-Eyler and Martin Pletz; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased is a brother, Clyde Penberthy.

Glenn C. Morrison

Native of McDonald

Glenn Calvin Morrison, 75, of Ash Grove, Mo., died Saturday, April 26, 2003, in his home.

He was born June 1, 1927, in McDonald, a son of Harold and Rillie Milliron Morrison.

Mr. Morrison lived in the Ash Grove area for the last 20 years.

He was a veteran.

Mr. Morrison was a farmer and construction worker.

On February 20, 1946, he married Jeannette Shaffer, who survives.

Also surviving are four daughters, Arlene Morrison and Sandra Swihart, both of Mt. Vernon, Mo., and Lindy McDonald and Dona Norris, both of Ash Grove; eight grandchildren, Glenn, Bobbi, Ethan and Molli McDonald, Crystal Swihart Schubert and Jason Swihart, Anna Morrison and April Norris; two great-grandchildren; and a brother, Warren Morrison of McDonald.

Deceased are an infant son, Glenn Harvey Morrison; an infant daughter, Barbara Jean Morrison; an infant brother; and another brother, Robert Morrison.

Mr. Morrison had a home viewing with burial in the cemetery on the farm north of Chesapeake, Mo. He was buried Sunday, April 27, in a handmade wooden casket prepared by his family.

Irene Magon

Avella resident

Irene Magon, 82, of Avella, died at 9:05 a.m. Thursday, April 24, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born February 3, 1921, in Pittsburgh, a daughter of John and Laura Dobroski Brezinski.

Mrs. Magon was a member of St. Michael Roman Catholic Church in Avella, where she was a Christian Mother.

She also was a member of Bert C. Siders American Legion Post 643 Ladies Auxiliary.

On October 26, 1946, she married Raymond Magon, who died May 14, 1993.

Surviving are four sons, Daniel Magon of Claysville, R. Alan Magon of Fairfax, Va., and Edward and William Magon, both of Avella; four grandchildren, Jason, Justin and Jared Magon and Brian Janiec; a sister, Theresa Wiegman of McMurray; and four brothers, Henry and Richard Brezinski, both of Washington, and Robert and James Brezinski, both of Hickory.

Deceased are five brothers, Charles, Steve, Sigmund, Frank and Joseph Brezinski.

St. Michael Cemetery.

Mary Beverly Lemon

Member of Sacred Heart of Jesus Church

Mary Beverly Pocheeva Lemon, 82, of Canonsburg, died Saturday, April 26, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born January 21, 1921, in Canonsburg, a daughter of George and Nellie Pocheeva.

Mrs. Lemon was a lifelong resident of Canonsburg, where she was an active member of Sacred Heart of Jesus Polish National Catholic Church, Canonsburg.

She was a homemaker.

Surviving are two sons, Downey P. Lemon III of West Alexander and George L. Lemon of Houston; two daughters, Lorraine Jobcar of Florida and Darlene Wright of New York, N.Y.; a sister, Marcella Rozmus of Slovan; 11 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are her husband, Downey P. Lemon, who died March 2, 1985; and three sisters, Mildred Mitchell, Jennie Piechnick and Stella. OS

Marion C. Dougherty

W. Alexander woman active in W. Virginia church



Marion Clovis Dougherty, 86, of West Alexander (Beham), died Monday, April 28, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born March 6, 1917, in her family home in West Finley Township, Washington County, a daughter of Samuel Scott and Alice White Clovis.

She attended schools in Pennsylvania and West Virginia, graduating in 1934 from Triadelphia District High School in West Virginia.

Mrs. Dougherty moved with her husband to Cleveland, Ohio, Lexington, Ky., and Triadelphia, W. Va., before moving to her family farm in West Finley Township. In 1963, she became a minister's wife when her husband was called to West Virginia Methodist churches in Montcalm, Pruntytown, Blue Jay and Reedsville, prior to his retirement in 1979.

On August 16, 1939, she married William W. Dougherty, who died in February 2003.

Surviving are a son, David C. Dougherty of Baltimore, Md.; a daughter, Judith D. White of Washington; five grandchildren, Philip and Amy White, Samuel and Carl Dougherty and Jill Dougherty Lawrence; a great-grandson; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are three brothers, Olin Ray, Guy White and Ralph Owen Clovis; and a sister, Margaret Louise Clovis. **CL**

Patricia A. Dodds

Langeloth resident

Patricia A. (Patty) Dodds, 48, of Langeloth, died unexpectedly Friday, April 25, 2003, as result of an automobile accident in Burgettstown.

She was born December 15, 1954, in Omaha, Neb., a daughter of the late John and Kate Centretto.

On December 7, 1974, she married Dale S. Dodds, who survives.

Also surviving are four children, Matthew, Thad, Stacy and Shawn Dodds, all at home; two sisters, Virginia DaFoe of California state and Mary Keele of Ohio; and three brothers, Bill and Frank Paladino of California state and Gary Centretto of Florida. **CC**

John J. Marencel

Universal Cyclops retiree from McDonald

John J. Marencel, 76, of McDonald, died Thursday, April 24, 2003, in his home.

He was born May 27, 1926, in McKees Rocks, a son of Anthony and Stella Marencel.

During World War II, Mr. Marencel served in the U.S. Army, 3rd Infantry, stationed in Germany.

He worked as a furnace helper for Universal Cyclops in Bridgeville for 45 years, retiring in 1991.

Mr. Marencel was a member of St. Alphonsus Roman Catholic Church, McDonald, and United Steel Workers of America.

He was an avid golfer and a member of Miller's Run Golf Club at Village Green in Hickory.

On July 24, 1948, he married Cecelia G. (Ceil) Hartsik, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Carolyn A. Boocks of Sarasota, Fla., and Nancy J. Chytil of Bridgeville; a sister, Stella of McKees Rocks; and four grandchildren, Michael, Michele and Ashley Boocks and Christin Chytil.

Deceased are three brothers, Rudolph, Anthony and William Marencel; and three sisters, Frances Turkaly, Katherine Marencel and Vera Reichl.

Cora Jane Duvall

Former switchboard operator at Canonsburg hospital

Cora Jane Duvall, 74, of Canonsburg, died Sunday, April 27, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital, following a lengthy illness.

She was born November 18, 1928, in Canonsburg, a daughter of David W. and Evelyn Nale Hall.

Mrs. Duvall was a 1947 graduate of Canonsburg High School and was employed as a switchboard operator at Canonsburg General Hospital for 22 years.

She was a member of First United Methodist Church of Canonsburg.

On September 26, 1948, she married George H. "Skinny" Duvall Jr., who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Joyce Chambers of Canonsburg; two sons, Thomas Duvall of Canonsburg and David Duvall of Meadow Lands; four grandchildren, Scott Chambers and Thomas, Tammy and David Duvall; a great-grandson; and two sisters, Joanne Bruce of Florida and Lorraine Petros of California state. **OS**

Hubert James Roner

WWII veteran retired from Pittsburgh Coal Co.

Hubert James (Bert) Roner, 81, of Bulger, died Monday, April 28, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born March 10, 1922, in Latrobe, a son of Mayo and Mildred Hallam Roner.

Prior to retirement, Mr. Roner was employed by Pittsburgh Coal Co.

He was a member of St. Ann Roman Catholic Church in Bulger, Veterans of Foreign Wars of Slovan and SNPJ in Midway.

Mr. Roner was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II.

He enjoyed fishing.

On April 6, 1946, he married Mary Barbarini, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, James Roner of Burgettstown; three daughters, Judith Dhans and Debbie Hollihan, both of West Palm Beach, Fla., and Rosemary Longo of Langeloth; a sister, Virginia Stevenson of Oakland, Calif.; nine grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

A brother, Ralph Roner, is deceased. **C**

Harold W. Plants

U.S. Air Force vet was retired glassworker

Harold W. Plants, 75, of Washington, died at 9:30 a.m. Friday, April 25, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

He was born August 3, 1927, in Washington, a son of Harry and Minnie Hickman Plants.

Mr. Plants was a retired from the former Brockway Glass, Plant 11, where he worked for 35 years.

He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the Army Air Forces. He was a member of American Legion Post 175 and Independent Club.

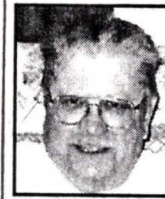
On June 19, 1970, he married Katherine Elizabeth Glendenning, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Russ Plants of Washington, James Plants of Florida and Frank D. O'Bryan of Washington; four daughters, Susan and Darla K. Plants and Kathleen R. Woods, all of Lone Pine, and Karen Faye O'Bryan of Washington; three brothers, Russell and Ray Plants, both of Washington, and Charles Plants of Canfield, Ohio; a sister, Marie Wilson of Ashtabula, Ohio; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a son, James Allen O'Bryan; a brother, Harry Plants Jr.; and a sister, Mary Williams. **FL**

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.

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.

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. **MP**

Freda E. Ford

Meadow Lands homemaker

Freda E. Ford, 84, of Meadow Lands, died at 9:58 a.m. Saturday, April 26, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born July 25, 1918, in Castle Shannon, a daughter of John and Stella Dokmanovich Divich.

Surviving are two sons, Howard G. "Butch" Ford of Lake Forest, Calif., and Robert L. Ford of South Strabane Township; three granddaughters, Gina, Nicole and Jennifer; a grandson, Ritch Franks; five great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Deceased are her husband, Howard P. "Hi" Ford, who died August 25, 1974; two sisters, Marion Roney and Gloria Bissicott; and two brothers, John and Gabriel Divich. **OS**

Mary M. Bumbera

Westland homemaker was member of St. Patrick Church

Mary M. Bumbera, 95, of Westland, died at 5:08 p.m. Thursday, April 24, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born October 23, 1907, in Glendale, a daughter of Julian and Agnes Bubiak Kaminski.

Mrs. Bumbera was a homemaker and a member of St. Patrick Roman Catholic Church in Canonsburg.

On February 24, 1943, she married George Bumbera Jr., who died October 25, 1984.

Surviving are a son, George R. Bumbera of Canonsburg; a granddaughter, Cherie Katrencik; and many nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Bumbera was the last of her immediate family.

Deceased are three brothers, Stanley, Julius and Walter Kaminski; and a sister, Rosey Anicka.

Arthur William Corbly

Former machine operator at V-Bat Plastics



Arthur William Corbly, 67, of Claysville, died Saturday, April 26, 2003, in Washington Hospital, following a

lengthy illness.

He was born September 24, 1935, in Rogersville, a son of Byron and Florence Wilson Corbly.

On July 15, 1955, he married Mildred Lucille Crowe, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, John William Corbly of Claysville, Gregory L. Corbly of Huntington, W. Va., and Steven E. Corbly of Carnegie; six grandchildren, John, Eric, Timothy, Tia, Gregory and Honor Corbly; and two great-grandchildren. **CL**

Olga S. Peterson

Burgettstown homemaker

Olga S. Peterson, 74, of Burgettstown, died Tuesday, May 5, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born May 29, 1928, in Sewickley, a daughter of Thomas and Frances Frantz.

She was a homemaker.

Her husband, Albert G. Peterson Sr., who died October 3, 1988.

Surviving are two sons, Albert Peterson of Burgettstown and William Peterson of Beaver; a brother, Alex Frantz of Baden; a sister, Pauline Gallo of Ohioville; and three grandchildren, Sara, William II and Zachary Peterson. **MP**

Willis C. Gossett

U.S. Navy veteran of WWII

Willis Clifford Gossett, 86, of Bentleyville, died unexpectedly Monday, April 28, 2003, in his home.

He was born June 12, 1916, in Birmingham, Ala., a son of Willard C. and Myrtle J. McCauley Gossett.

Mr. Gossett was an ironworker with American Bridge Division of U.S. Steel for 35 years, retiring in 1975.

He was a member of Edwards Chapel United Presbyterian Church and Free and Accepted Masons, Henry M. Phillips Lodge 337 in Monongahela.

Mr. Gossett served with the U.S. Navy Seabees as a shipfitter second class during World War II.

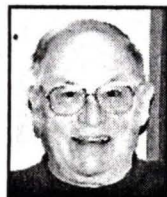
On March 1, 1935, he married Ethel Sanderson, who died January 8, 2000.

Surviving are four children, Susan Brown of Gilford, Maine, Mary Virginia Tucker of New Port Richey, Fla., Frank R. Gossett of Palm Harbor, Fla., and Sandra Kearns of Bentleyville; seven grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two brothers, Robert and James Gossett; and a sister, Effi Jane Williams. **RR**

Malcolm E. Blakeslee

General Electric machine operator was WWII veteran



Malcolm E. Blakeslee, 77, of Washington, died at 3:57 a.m. Wednesday, May 7, 2003, in Washington Hospital,

following a two-month illness.

He was born May 13, 1925, in Portville, N.Y., a son of Merle F. and Belle Baker Blakeslee.

Mr. Blakeslee was Presbyterian.

He was employed as a machine operator by General Electric in Bridgeville for 35 years.

Mr. Blakeslee served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, and received the Victory Medal, American Campaign Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Theater Medal and Philippine Liberation Medal.

On July 25, 1966, he married Mary Ann Smitsky, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Larry Blakeslee of Carnegie; a daughter, Cheryl Morran of Washington; and three grandchildren, Matthew, Ashley and Brandon Morran.

Deceased are two brothers, Leland and Ronald Blakeslee; and a sister, Barbara Mead. **MP**

Dorothy Atkins

Burgettstown Food Bank, Salvation Army volunteer

Dorothy Louise Atkins, 79, of Burgettstown, died at 10:25 p.m. Tuesday, April 29, 2003, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh. For the past year, she resided in Humbert Lane Personal Care Center in Washington.

She was born December 29, 1923, in Burgettstown, a daughter of James R. Sr. and Blanche Brady Lewis.

Mrs. Atkins was a homemaker and a member of First Baptist Church in Burgettstown.

She volunteered for the Salvation Army and Burgettstown Food Bank.

Her husband, Eunice Atkins, died August 17, 1974.

Surviving are a daughter, Sandra Edmonds of Cherry Valley; three sons, Ronald Atkins of Francis Mine, David Atkins of Burgettstown and Keith Atkins of St. Augustine, Fla.; six grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; a sister, Mildred Carter of Burgettstown; and many nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a brother, James Lewis Jr.; and a grandson, Ronald L. Atkins.

Martha J. Doman

Member of Christian Missionary Alliance Church



Martha J. Doman, 88, of Washington, died Friday, May 2, 2003, in Mercer, following a lengthy illness.

She was born November 5, 1914, in Washington, a daughter of George E. and Dora Wilson Strobe.

Mrs. Doman was a homemaker and a member of Christian Missionary Alliance Church in Washington.

She enjoyed sewing and knitting.

On June 18, 1939, she married Lonnie T. Doman, who died March 5, 2001.

Surviving are a son, Timothy P. Doman, with whom she made her home; a daughter, Judith L. Croxton of York; two grandchildren, Pamela Croxton and Deborah Stratton; and two great-grandchildren.

Deceased are five brothers, Jehu, Benjamin, James, Orville and Raymond Strobe; and six sisters, Mae Sheller, Evelyn Wolfe, Ruth Morris, Grace Mounts, and Margaret and Dorothy Strobe. **CL**

Mary M. Briggs

Former nursing assistant at Washington Hospital

Mary M. Briggs of Washington died Friday, May 2, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born in Brock, a daughter of Lindsay L. and Myrtle M. Statler Main.

Mrs. Briggs attended Claysville High School.

She worked as a nursing assistant for more than 20 years at Washington Hospital.

Mrs. Briggs was a member of Friendship Community Church in Washington.

She enjoyed gardening, quilting, sewing and spending time with her grandchildren.

On April 19, 1958, she married Ray Briggs Jr., who died August 21, 1996.

Surviving are two sons, James W. Briggs of Springfield, Ill., and Keith D. Briggs of Claysville; two daughters, Denise Schneider of Washington and Deborah D. Kirkland of Montgomery, Ala.; six brothers, Lindsay Main of Montgomery, and Al, Charles, George, James and Kenneth Main, all of Washington; four sisters, Martha Kelley of Waynesburg, Alice Zappi of Taylorstown, Wilda Durbin of Washington and Wilma Miller of Mt. Morris; five grandchildren, Jammie Bruno, Jessica and Lindsay Mankey, Jenna Robinson and James W. Briggs Jr.; and two great-grandchildren.

Deceased are three brothers, Billie, Edgar and Earl Main. **W**

Charles Bertovich

Retired construction worker was WWII veteran

Charles Bertovich, 79, of Burgettstown, died Sunday, May 4, 2003, in Weirton (W. Va.) Medical Center.

He was born June 7, 1923, in Southview, a son of Charles Sr. and Anna Yurkovich Bertovich.

Mr. Bertovich was a construction worker for Local 809 in Steubenville, Ohio, before retiring in 1984.

He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II and was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars in Burgettstown.

Mr. Bertovich enjoyed gardening and was an avid sportsman.

Surviving are his wife, Evelyn Yazevac Bertovich; a son, Joseph Charles Bertovich of Warner Robbins, Ga.; two brothers, Adolph Bertovich of Clinton and Mike Yurkovich of Bentleyville; three grandchildren, Joseph Charles Bertovich Jr., Danielle Mildred Shipp and Evelyn Ogle; and a great-granddaughter.

Deceased is a sister, Anna Porfelli. **F**

James H. Mumper

Retired Jessop Steel
chief engineer



James H. Mumper, 91, of Washington (Canton Township), died Saturday, May 10, 2003, in Southmont of

Presbyterian Senior Care, Washington.

He was born October 27, 1911, in Taylorstown, a son of Harry J. and Edna Pattison Mumper.

Mr. Mumper was a member of Taylorstown Christian Church for more than 50 years.

He was a 1929 graduate of Blaine Township High School and received a degree in engineering from Tri-State College in Angola, Ind., in 1932.

Mr. Mumper was an engineer for Wheeling Steel Corp., Frazier-Simplex and Jessop Steel Co., where he retired as chief engineer in 1974.

On March 28, 1936, he married Olive E. Dalton, who died February 2, 1987.

Surviving are a daughter, Jane Conway of Washington; a brother, George E. Mumper of Duncan, Okla.; two grandchildren, Mark D. Grose and Terri L. Mersky; and two great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two sisters, Cleo Rankin and Harriette Mumper; and two brothers, Melvin C. and Robert W. Mumper. **CL**

Kenneth P. Reagan

U.S. Army veteran
of Vietnam War

Kenneth P. Reagan, 57, of Hunker, died Saturday, May 10, 2003, in Westmoreland Hospital.

He was born October 28, 1945, in Canonsburg, a son of John L. and Marie Josephine Lenassi Reagan.

Mr. Reagan worked for 31 years as a disability adjudicator II in the state Department of Labor and Industry Bureau of Disability Determination.

He was a graduate of Immaculate Conception High School, Washington, and Penn State University.

Mr. Reagan was a Vietnam War veteran, serving with the U.S. Army 1st Cavalry Division.

He was a member of St. Patrick Roman Catholic Church in Canonsburg, American Legion Post 744 of Marianna and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 191 of Canonsburg.

Surviving are a brother, John L. Reagan of Canonsburg; and two nieces. **WF**

Glenn Robert Main

Member of Carpenters
Union Local 3 in W.Va.

Glenn Robert Main, 83, of Bethany, W.Va., died Sunday, May 4, 2003, in Wheeling (W.Va.) Medical Park.

He was born January 3, 1920, in Washington County, a son of Albert and Rose Gilbert Main.

Mr. Main was a member of Carpenters Union Local 3, Wheeling.

He attended Bethany Pike Church of God, Wellsburg, W.Va.

Surviving are his wife of 60 years, Mildred Buchanan Main; two sons, Morris Glenn Main of Bethany and Larry Thomas Main of Wellsburg; a daughter, Cheryl Mielke of Wellsburg; two sisters, twins Maxine Kimble and Geraldine Hoge, both of Washington; six grandchildren, Janice Jackson, Deborah Osborne, L.T. and Daniel Main, and Wayne R. II and Amy Mielke; four great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are three brothers, Clarence, Stanley and Kenneth Main; and a sister, Goldie Miller. **WA**

Eugene E. Ball

Member of West Alexander
Presbyterian Church

Eugene E. Ball, 69, of Valley Grove, W.Va., died Sunday, May 4, 2003.

He was born October 27, 1933, in Wheeling, a son of Hugh L. and Ethel Garrison Ball.

Mr. Ball was a retired transport driver for Nickles Bakery in Martins Ferry, Ohio, and was a U.S. Army veteran.

Surviving are his wife of 29 years, Nancy Craig Ball; two sisters, Sarah Bellar of Kettering, Ohio, and Dorothy Johnson of Centerville, Ohio; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, Hugh L. Ball and Kenneth L. Ball Sr. **WA**

BURGETTSTOWN - A Langeloth woman was killed and her 12-year-old daughter injured when their compact car was hit broadside by a one-ton, dual-cab pickup truck Friday afternoon.

Patricia A. Dodds, 48, of Redwood Avenue, was pronounced dead at the scene of multiple injuries. Her daughter, Stacy, was flown by helicopter to Children's Hospital in Pittsburgh. She is listed in serious condition.

Smith Township police Chief Bob King said the pickup truck, driven by George Wolfe, 63, of Claysville, was going north on Route 18 at Bavington Road about 2 p.m. when it went through a red light and hit the driver's side door of the car driven by Dodds. She was attempting to turn from Bavington to Route 18 southbound. The crash occurred in the section of the Route 18, where it reduces from four to two lanes.

The impact forced her car into the southbound lanes against the curb while Wolfe's truck jumped over the curb and came to rest in a grassy area.

Charges are pending the outcome of the investigation, King said, calling the accident a tragedy.

Patsy DeFilippis

National Steel Corp. retiree

Patsy DeFilippis, 83, of Avella, died at 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 6, 2003, in Humbert Lane Health Care Center, Washington.

He was born September 24, 1919, in Cliftonville, W.Va., a son of Domenick and Rose Pascuzzi DeFilippis.

Mr. DeFilippis was a member of St. Michael Roman Catholic Church, a member and past commander of Bert C. Siders American Legion Post 643 and past member of Avella Volunteer Fire Department, all of Avella.

During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army as a corporal.

Mr. DeFilippis worked for National Steel Corp., Wheeling, W.Va., in the shipping department for 30 years, retiring in 1981.

On June 17, 1945, he married Margaret I. Resnik, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Patrick D. DeFilippis of Avella and Gary A. DeFilippis of San Mateo, Calif.; two daughters, Terri Pawol of Pittsburgh and Judith Eaton of Hamilton, Ohio; six grandchildren; and two brothers, Dominick DeFilippis Jr. of Hickory and Frank DeFilippis of Houston.

Deceased are two sisters, Bessie DeFilippis and Josephine Bodonski.

Eva Mildred Aquilino

Washington homemaker

Eva Mildred Aquilino, 95, of Washington, died unexpectedly Wednesday, May 7, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born December 10, 1907, in Avella, a daughter of Joseph and Sophia Brecko Kanzius.

In 1972, in West Virginia, she married Louis Aquilino Sr., who is deceased.

Mrs. Aquilino attended schools in Canonsburg.

She was a homemaker who enjoyed spending time with her family and friends.

Mrs. Aquilino was Roman Catholic.

Surviving are a son, Louis Aquilino Jr.; a daughter, Dolores Mayberry, both of Washington; eight grandchildren, Janet Henderson, Susan Budavich, Louis and Samuel Aquilino, Richard, James and Gary Gray and Donna Smalley; 16 great-grandchildren; six great-great-grandchildren; and a sister, Agnes Donati of Washington.

Deceased are three brothers, Sylvester, Joseph and Albin Kanzius; and two sisters, Frances Graff and Gertrude Phelps. **MP**

Eva Mae Harris

Washington homemaker



Eva Mae Harris, 82, of Washington, died Tuesday, May 6, 2003, in Washington Hospital, following a four-

month illness.

She was born June 6, 1920, in North River Mills, W.Va., a daughter of Edward F. and Ella Mae Willison Largent.

Mrs. Harris was a homemaker.

On April 19, 1941, she married Earl Robert Harris, who died March 12, 2003.

Surviving are two brothers, William Largent of Hartsville, Ohio, and Benjamin Largent of Woodsfield, Ohio; two sisters, Irene Cecil of Columbus, Ohio, and Donna Myers of Ridgeway, S.C.; and a niece.

Deceased are a sister, Wenona Barney; and three brothers, Marcellus Largent and two brothers, who died at birth. **MP**

Grace A. Oliver

Active member of St. Paul
AME Church

Grace A. Oliver, 83, of Washington, died Sunday, May 4, 2003, in Washington County Health Center, Washington, following a lengthy illness.

She was born August 6, 1919, in West Middletown, a daughter of Lemual and Eva McClelland Cooke.

Surviving are a daughter, Elaine Thomas of Washington; a sister, Beatrice Hampton of Canton, Ohio; three grandsons, Landon, Louis and Erik Thomas; and two great-grandchildren.

Deceased are her husband, John Oliver, who died in April 1968; five sisters, Viola Asbury, Katherine Backie, Frances Cooke, Gladys Dickerson and Pearl Woodson; a brother, William Cooke; and a great-grandchild. **W**

Joseph R. Furmanek

Lombardi Auto Body
employee

Joseph R. Furmanek, 51, of Washington, died Thursday, May 15, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

He was born January 31, 1952, in Canonsburg, a son of Anna Yareb Furmanek of West Finley and the late Joseph Furmanek.

His companion of 20 years was Linda Note of Washington, with whom he made his home, along with her children, Lorri DePaul and John Correns.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, is a sister, Carol Wright of West Finley. **WF**

Agnes J. Gema

Primrose homemaker

Agnes Jane Gema, 93, of Primrose, McDonald, died Saturday, May 10, 2003, in her home.

She was born in Washington County, a daughter of Adam and Jane Fehl.

Mrs. Gema was a homemaker and a member of Center United Presbyterian Church in Midway.

Surviving are two daughters, Norma Hainaut of Cherry Valley and Nancy Bailey of Primrose; a son, John Gema of Cherry Valley; nine grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are her husband, George Gema Sr., who died in 1968; a son, George Gema Jr.; three brothers, Edward, Harry and Charles Fehl; and a sister, Gertrude Nice. **FL**

Michael R. Klovanish

Washington Presbyterian Church in America member



Michael R. Klovanish, 58, of Scenery Hill, formerly of Katy, Texas, and the Avella area, died Wednesday, May 14, 2003, in UPMC-

Montefiore hospital, Pittsburgh, following a lengthy illness.

He was born August 5, 1944, in Steubenville, Ohio, a son of Michael M. and Rose (Cindrich) Klovanish of Avella.

Mr. Klovanish was a active member of Washington Presbyterian Church in America. He also was an active member of Mt. Morris Church.

He was self-employed and had a contracting business in Texas. Upon returning to Scenery Hill, he was a counselor for military veterans in Pittsburgh for the past six years until his retirement.

Mr. Klovanish was a member of Bert C. Siders American Legion Post 643 of Avella.

On February 24, 1992, he married Hope A. Rudolph, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Michael Peter and Eric Todd Klovanish, both of Temple, Texas; a brother, Edward Klovanish of Weirton, W. Va.; two sisters, Antonia Helen Crowley of Washington and Vivien Jean Gurerra of Havre DeGrace, Md.; a grandchild, Kole Christopher Klovanish; and several nieces and nephews. **L**

Joyce A. Roupe

Washington native was Trinity High School grad

Joyce A. Roupe, 63, of Denver, Colo., formerly of Washington, died Friday, May 16, 2003, in Swedish Medical Center, Englewood, Colo., following a lengthy illness.

She was born January 5, 1940, in Washington, a daughter of Thomas and Margaret Mitchell Cape.

Mrs. Roupe was a 1957 graduate of Trinity High School in Washington.

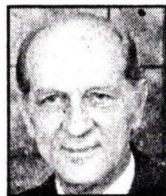
She was the office manager for Illiff-Thorne Realty for 12 years and had also been employed by Secure Care, both in Colorado.

On March 25, 1962, she married Robert H. Roupe, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Mark Stephen Roupe of Denver, and Steven Robert Roupe of Aliso Viejo, Calif.; a daughter, Barbara Lynn (Bobbie) Mashek of Highlands Ranch, Colo.; a sister, Sharon Goss of Boulder, Colo.; two brothers, Thomas and Jerry Cape of New Aemelo, Kan.; and four grandchildren, Matt and Chris Mashek and Kelsy and Tyler Roupe. **I**

Joseph A. Waldygo

Green Thumb counselor was known as poet



Joseph A. Waldygo, 87, formerly of Washington, died Friday, April 11, 2003, in Mesa, Ariz.

He was born July 26, 1915, in Wyano, a son of Nellie and Michael Waldygo.

Mr. Waldygo received an honorable discharge from the U.S. Army on October 25, 1945, and held the rank of sergeant. He served as a radio operator and repairman and as a radar operator in the West Indies for 18 months, for which he received a bronze star in 1943.

Prior to his retirement in 1974, he owned Tri-State Home Improvement Co. From 1976 to 1983, he was a counselor for Green Thumb in the AMI program.

On June 9, 1949, he married Maxine Curtis, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Joseph A. Waldygo of Phoenix; two daughters, Patricia N. Waldygo of Cerrillos, N.M., and Kathy Gooden of Washington; five grandchildren, Nathan Elias, Jenifer Stewart and Elyse, Kelly and Jeffrey Waldygo; a sister, Stella Hebda of Hickory; and a brother, Lewis Waldygo of Washington.

Deceased are two sisters, Julie and Mary; and three brothers, Charles, Walter and Edward Waldygo.

Elizabeth C. Cowden

Social worker from Jefferson Township

Elizabeth C. Cowden, 87, died Tuesday, May 13, 2003, in McMurray Hills Manor, McMurray.

She was born February 4, 1916, in Jefferson Township, a daughter of Erle L. and Ruth (Patterson) CUNNINGHAM.

Mrs. Cowden was a member of Faith United Presbyterian Church in Washington.

She had worked as a social worker for Washington County Children and Youth Services and the state Department of Public Welfare.

Her husband, Robert W. Cowden, died in 1983.

Surviving are two daughters, Ann Cowden of Elyria, Ohio, and Beth Tustin of Washington; a son, Don Cowden of Hickory; and three grandchildren, Danielle, Drew and Dillon Cowden.

Judith I. Foltz

Former pianist at McDonald Alliance Church

Judith I. Foltz, 75, of McDonald, died Sunday, May 18, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington.

She was born June 5, 1927, in Washington, a daughter of Frederick A. and Pearl Sterling Bush.

Mrs. Foltz was a graduate of Trinity High School, beauty school and Intercension City Bible College.

She was a member of McDonald Alliance Church, where she formerly served as pianist for many years.

On June 19, 1948, she married Charles Kenneth Foltz Sr., who died February 5, 1990.

Surviving are two sons, Charles K. Foltz Jr. of Jefferson and David E. Foltz of McDonald; two daughters, Sandria L. (Sandy) Glasscock of Petersburg, W. Va., and Deborah I. Phillips of Monongahela; a sister, Reva Kowalski of Orlando, Fla.; a brother, Robert Sparks of Washington; nine grandchildren, Kenneth C. Sr., Adam J., Courtney A. and Kaelynn M. Foltz, Jennifer L. and Heather L. Glasscock, Amy L. Harmening and Teddy J. IV and Sarah M. Phillips; and two great-grandchildren.

Deceased are four brothers, Rex, Bernard, Eugene and Wilbert; and four sisters, Reland, Clara, Leona and Thelma. **RR**

Ruth Liggitt

Oakdale resident

Ruth Liggitt, 71, of Oakdale, died Sunday, May 18, 2003, in Kindred Hospital, Oakdale.

She was born January 9, 1932, in Bridgeville, a daughter of Paul and Ruth Crow Wolfe.

On June 8, 1949, she married George Liggitt, who survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Ruth Bell of McDonald, Linda Gardner of Hickory and Pearl Liggitt of Pittsburgh; three sons, Dean Liggitt of Brockway, George Liggitt of Waynesburg and James Liggitt of Burgettstown; 14 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; two brothers, Ray and Jim Wolfe, both of Oakdale; a sister, Pearl McCartney of McDonald; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased is a daughter, Lois Jean Liggitt. **MP**

Robert Butt Sr.

Member of Venice Presbyterian Church

Robert Butt Sr., 74, of Cecil, died Wednesday, May 21, 2003, in his home.

He was born March 23, 1929, in Pittsburgh, a son of William and Hilda Huenefeld Butt.

On July 21, 1951, he married Lois Marfin, who survives, and with whom he celebrated 51 years of marriage.

Also surviving are a daughter, Cynthia Chopak of Cecil; a son, Robert Butt Jr. of Bethel Park; two grandchildren, Heather and Joshua Chopak; and a brother, William Butt of Lincoln, Calif.

Deceased are a sister, Helen Hutchison; and four brothers, James, Richard, Norman, and Edward Butt. **Y**

Dorothy Talamantez

Venice native

Dorothy Belle Scott Talamantez, 84, of Aberdeen, Md., died Saturday, May 3, 2003, in the Veterans Administration Hospital in Perryville, Md.

She was born July 28, 1918, in Venice.

She was a World War II veteran.

Mrs. Talamantez was employed by the federal government for 37 years and was

Her husband of 35 years, Rudolph Talamantez Sr., survives, along with many nieces and nephews in the Canonsburg area.

Interment was in Arlington (Va.) Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direction of William C. Brown Funeral Home in Baltimore, Md.

George Kozik

Retired PLCB supervisor

George Kozik, 70, of Midway, died Sunday, May 25, 2003, in his home.

He was born August 11, 1932, in Chicago, Ill., a son of Dale and Pauline Kozik Welch.

Mr. Kozik was retired as a supervisor with the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board, where he worked for 37 years before retiring Sept. 19, 1997.

He was a graduate of Neville Island High School and served in the U.S. Marine Corps.

On December 31, 1976, he married Geraldine (Gerri) V. Metz, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Dale Edward Kozik of Crescent Township and John Jacob Kozik at home; two brothers, Dale Welch of Alamo, Calif., and Edward Welch of San Ramone, Calif.; a sister, Donna Kartonla of Palm Bay, Fla.; two grandchildren, Tim and Mark Kozik; and three great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends at their home on Prospect Street, Midway, beginning at 9 a.m. Thursday, May 29. The family suggests memorials be made to a charity of one's choice. Arrangements are under the direction of Nation Funeral Home Inc., McDonald.

Mrs. Russell T. Heter

Mrs. Elisabeth McDowell Heter, 59, of Glen Ridge, N.J., a former resident of McDonald, died suddenly on Friday, October 1, 1976.

A daughter of the late William and Susan Cochran McDowell, she was born June 22, 1917, in McDonald. She graduated from McDonald High School in 1935 and attended Penn State College.

She is survived by her husband, Russell T. Heter; two sons, Mark L. of Glen Ridge, N.J., and Stuart R., at home; three sisters, Mrs. Lois Schaeffer of Wintersville, Ohio; Mrs. Charlotte Elliott of Glen Ridge, N.J., and Mrs. Jane Lea Gibb of McDonald. A daughter, Charlotte E., is deceased.

Funeral services were held the afternoon of October 4 in the First Presbyterian Church, Bloomfield, N.J. Burial was in the Bloomfield cemetery.

Paul Leech Ely

Retired Buffalo Township dairy farmer



Paul Leech Ely, 76, of Washington (Buffalo Township), died Monday, May 20, 2003, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh.

He was born March 5, 1927, in Buffalo Township, a son of William Alexander and Florence Leech Ely.

Mr. Ely was a seventh-generation dairy farmer who resided on the family farm. He also was a school bus driver for many years.

He was a member of Pennsylvania Farm Bureau and served on the board of directors of Agway and Milk Marketing.

Mr. Ely graduated from Trinity High School in 1944 and Penn Commercial College before serving in the U.S. Army in Europe during World War II.

He was a lifetime member of East Buffalo Presbyterian Church, where he served as an elder and choir member.

On April 21, 1951, he married Gail Hamilton, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Karen Ely Cowan of Paris; two sons, Dr. David P. Ely of San Diego, Calif., and Greg W. Ely of Claysville; four grandchildren, Cheryl Cowan Speer, Cindy Cowan, Michael Ely and Lauren Krampert; and a sister, Dorothy Huntley of Marion, Va.

A brother, Harold Ely, is deceased.

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1962 Canfield Boy, 7, Dies After 3-Month Illness

(Special to The Vindicator)
Canfield, May 25—William Scott Siersdorfer, 7, of Tippecanoe Road, died of a brain tumor at 12:30 p.m. today at his home after a three-month illness.

William was born Sept. 3, 1954, in Youngstown, a son of William

Joseph and Phyllis Martin Siersdorfer and lived in the area for his entire life. He was in first grade at Canfield School and attended Cornerburg Methodist Church.

Besides his parents, William leaves three sisters, Jayne, Jeanne and Joyce, and a brother, Bradley, all at home and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Siersdorfer of Youngstown and Mrs. Harry Martin of Youngstown.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Shriver-Allison South Side Funeral Home where friends may call from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday.



Francis E. Miller

Francis E. (Pete) Miller, 81, of Claysville, died Monday, May 19, 2003, in Washington County Health Center.

He was born March 26, 1922, in Donegal Township, a son of Russell and Anna Hammett Miller.

Mr. Miller was a 1940 graduate of Clayville High School and a member of Claysville Christian Church.

He retired from Atlas Railroad with 35 year of service and was a member of Operating Engineers Local 66 in Monroeville.

Mr. Miller enjoyed hunting and small engine and equipment repair.

On April 21, 1946, in the Dutch Fork minister's home, he married Catherine Clutter, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Joyce Reeves of Claysville; a sister, Lois Sprowls of Claysville; a grandson, Troy Reeves; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, Melvin and Lemoyne Miller.

All services and interment will be private and held at the convenience of the family. The family suggests memorial contributions be made to Washington County Health Center, 36 Old Hickory Ridge Road, Washington, Pa 15301; or Claysville Volunteer Fire Department, Claysville, Pa 15323. Arrangements are being handled by Michael H. Heinrich Funeral Home in Claysville.

Mary Plants

Washington homemaker enjoyed crocheting



Mary Plants, 94, of Washington, died Monday, May 26, 2003, in Humbert Lane Health Care Center, Washington.

She was born June 29, 1908, in Washington, a daughter of James I. and Mary Wolfe Seaman.

Mrs. Plants was Presbyterian. She was a homemaker who enjoyed crocheting and reading.

On December 24, 1924, she married Elgie Myers (Jack) Plants, who died March 19, 1980.

Surviving are a daughter, Jean E. Sprowls of Washington; a sister, Velma (Loretta) Beck of Canonsburg; four grandchildren, Keith Sprowls, Lynn Ann Sprowls Tarris, Karen Dalkin and Pamela Plants; six great-grandchildren; five stepgreat-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, Elgie M. Plants Jr.; seven brothers, Cecil, Willard, James, Wilbur, Harry, Sherman and Raymond Seaman; and three sisters, Blanche Cook, Elsie Beck and Freda Kuhns.

MP

Joseph A. Gilbert

Joffre man retired from Universal Cyclops

Joseph A. Gilbert, 92, of Joffre, died Monday, May 19, 2003, in Ohio Valley Hospital, McKees Rocks.

He was born March 29, 1911, in Bulger, a son of Joseph and Angelina Masneri Gilbert.

Prior to retirement, Mr. Gilbert was employed by Universal Cyclops In Bridgeville.

He was a member of Burgettstown Senior Citizens.

His wife, Mary Ocepeck Gilbert, is deceased.

Surviving are four sons, Tom Gilbert of Sunrise Beach, Mo., John Gilbert of Plano, Texas, William Gilbert of Burgettstown and Larry Gilbert of Chicago, Ill.; 12 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a brother, Jacob Gilbert; and two sisters Margaret Walton and Mary Truver.

G

Anna M. Carl

Member of Grove UP Church



Anna M. Carl, 83, of Avella, died at 5:40 p.m. Saturday, May 17, 2003, in Kade Nursing Home, Washington.

She was born October 11, 1919, in Glyde, a daughter of Robert and Alice Brownlee McCalmont.

Mrs. Carl was a member of Grove United Presbyterian Church of West Middletown.

Surviving are a daughter, Norma Jean Kelso of Avella; two sons, Fred Carl of Columbus, Ohio, and Donald Carl of Washington; 10 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and four sisters, Lela Keenan, Mary Helen Farrar, Edith Miller and Jean Mazza, all of Washington.

Deceased are her husband, Erwin F. Carl; a brother, Robert McCalmont; a son, Edward Carl; and a grandson, Ricky Kelso.

WM

Margaret M. Wright

Retired airline reservationist from Avella

Margaret M. (Peggy) Wright, 61, of Avella, died at 10:15 p.m. Thursday, May 22, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born September 25, 1941, in Penowa, a daughter of the late John A. and Margaret M. Ezarik Tranquill.

Mrs. Wright was a 1959 graduate of Avella High School.

She was employed by US Airways as a reservationist for 35 years, retiring in 2000.

On May 7, 1993, she married Harlin D. Wright, who survives.

Also surviving is a brother, James Tranquill of Avella.

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Madalene V. Gown

Longtime resident
of Houston

Madalene Venci Gown, 94, of Houston, died Monday, May 26, 2003, in Standish's Assisted Living, Amwell Township, following a brief illness.

She was born April 12, 1909, in Pittsburgh, a daughter of Donatto and Rose Passerelle Napoleon.

Mrs. Gown was a member of St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church, Canonsburg, and a longtime resident of Houston.

She worked for many years as a nurse's aide at Pine Lawn Home, Houston, and eight years at Canonsburg General Hospital.

On November 30, 1935, she married Joseph Venci Sr., who died in July 1972. In April 1976, she married Francis Gown, who survives.

Also surviving are one son, Joseph Venci Jr. of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; one daughter, Rosemarie Sluciak of Morgantown, W.Va.; and two grandsons, Michael and David Venci.

Deceased, in addition to her first husband, is a brother, Gerald Napoleon. **QH**

Josephine Angelo

Burgettstown resident

Josephine DiBacco Angelo, 78, of Burgettstown, died Tuesday, June 3, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington.

She was born July 24, 1924, in Hanlon Station, a daughter of Michael and Elizabeth Gaofaolo DiBacco.

On March 27, 1943, she married Leman Angelo Sr., who died February 24, 1979.

Surviving are four daughters, Anne Orison of Burgettstown, Josephine Baron of Coraopolis, Agnes Grubb of Paris and Cindy Boulander of Weirton, W.Va.; two sons, Medie Angelo of Carnegie and Leonard Angelo of Burgettstown; 12 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; two brothers, Sam and Mike DiBacco, both of Weirton; and five sisters, Edna Halulko of Burgettstown, Ange Swartz of Hanlon Station, Rose Tedeschi and Agnes Greco, both of Steubenville, Ohio, and Grace Radascy of Monessen.

Deceased are a son, Leman Angelo Jr.; three brothers; and three sisters. **F**

Louise A. Hamilton

Former manager
of Hamilton Acreage Farm



Louise Ann Hamilton, 61, of Houston, formerly of Meadville, died Sunday, June 1, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington.

She was born December 7, 1941, in Meadville, a daughter of Hazel Davena Lemme of Meadville and the late Dominick Lemme.

Mrs. Hamilton was a member of St. Mary of Grace Church, Meadville.

She managed Hamilton Acreage Farm in the Washington area, retiring after 20 years.

Mrs. Hamilton was a 1959 graduate of Meadville High School, attended Indiana University of Pennsylvania and graduated from Pittsburgh Beauty Academy.

She was elected as manager of Milk Marketing Dairy Board for five years and had been appointed to the board of trustees at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Hamilton was an active member of Caring Mission.

She enjoyed gardening and cooking.

On April 26, 1965, she married Linn F. Hamilton, who survives.

Surviving, in addition to her husband and mother, are a daughter, Lisa M. Whitehouse of Denver, Colo.; a son, James D. Hamilton of Cincinnati, Ohio; a sister, Mary Grace Coon of Meadville; a brother, Charles Lemme of New York City, N.Y.; and several nieces and nephews.

Interment will be in St. Brigid Cemetery, West Mead Township.

Russell M. Simpson

50-year member
of Canonsburg VFD



Russell M. Simpson, 90, of Canonsburg, died Tuesday, May 27, 2003, in McMurray Hills Manor, McMurray.

He was born November 11, 1912, in Canonsburg, a son of Q. Mack and Bessie Simpson.

Mr. Simpson was employed for 30 years at USX Irvin Works, retiring in 1975.

He was a member of Canonsburg Volunteer Fire Department for more than 50 years, and, at the time of his death, was the oldest living retired member.

Mr. Simpson was Protestant and enjoyed fishing.

On October 28, 1934, he married Helen Davis, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Larry J. Simpson of Washington; a daughter, Barbara Hansen of Annandale, Va.; two sisters, Bessie E. Fallett of Apache Junction, Ariz., and Jeanette Simpson of Washington; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are five brothers, Virt A., Everett M., Howard L., George E. and John Wesley Simpson; and three sisters, Mabel I. Minyard, Margaret A. Chytil and Esther M. Sebelia.

Center Presbyterian
Cemetery, McMurray.

Clyde T. Bushmire

Air Force veteran
was installer for AT&T

Clyde Thomas Bushmire, 73, of North Strabane Township, died Saturday, May 31, 2003, in Presbyterian Senior Care, Washington.

He was born July 14, 1929, in Muse, a son of William and Mattie Barkand Bushmire.

Mr. Bushmire was a lifelong resident of the Canonsburg area.

He served with the U.S. Air Force in telecommunications during the Korean Conflict.

Mr. Bushmire was an installer for AT&T prior to retiring.

He was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 191 of Canonsburg.

On November 28, 1957, in St. Patrick Roman Catholic Church, Canonsburg, he married Mary Wines, who survives.

Also surviving are four sons, Clyde Bushmire Jr. of Washington, Jeffrey Bushmire of Woodbridge, Va., Timothy Bushmire of Bethel Park and Scott Bushmire of North Strabane Township; two sisters, Beatrice Giehl and Rita Kaczor, both of Carnegie; six grandchildren, Clyde III, Kristi, Kasey, Jacob, Sarah and Kyle Bushmire; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are four brothers, Raymond, William, Henry and Leo Bushmire; and a sister, Irene Bushmire. **WF**

Estous Davidson

Member of W&J Auxiliary



Estous Lee Davidson, 91, formerly of Washington, died Saturday, May 31, 2003, in Cincinnati, Ohio.

She was born September 26, 1911, in Clarksburg, W.Va., a daughter of Thomas Elkins and Estous Wells Lee.

Mrs. Davidson had served on the boards of Neighborhood House, Washington County Cancer Society, United Fund, Washington County History and Landmarks Society, Washington Ice Skating and Friends of Citizens Library. She was a member of the auxiliaries of Washington & Jefferson College, Washington Hospital and Brownson House. She also belonged to one of the oldest Twigs of Washington Hospital.

She was a graduate of West Virginia University in Morgantown, W.Va.

Mrs. Davidson was a member of First United Methodist Church, Washington.

Surviving are two daughters, Estous Lee Davidson of Bermuda and Mary Wells Brown of Cincinnati; a son, John H. Davidson of Vermillion, S.D.; six grandchildren, Jennifer Johnston and Stephen, Benjamin and Felix Davidson, and Edwin and Greta Berger; and a great-grandson.

Deceased is her husband, John H. Davidson.

John H. Diamond

LTV Steel retiree

John Henry Diamond, 69, of Burgettstown, died Saturday, May 31, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington.

He was born November 1, 1933, in Washington, a son of John G. and Helen Goodwin Diamond.

Mr. Diamond was employed by LTV Steel in Aliquippa until his retirement in 1985.

On July 13, 1957, he married Mary Milocich, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Jeff Diamond of Wellsburg, W.Va.; two daughters, Jacqueline Diamond and Jan Geresti, both of Avella; four grandchildren, Samuel and Ben Geresti and John Henry and Jacyn Diamond; and a sister, Geraldine Fratoni of Burgettstown.

Deceased are two sons, John Paul Diamond, who died in 1983, and James Scott Diamond, who died in infancy in 1971. **MP**

Robert L. Simpson

Retired engineer
enjoyed motorcycling

Robert L. Simpson, 70, of Burgettstown and Florida, died unexpectedly Friday, May 30, 2003, in Weirton (W.Va.) Medical Center.

He was born August 21, 1932, in Woodrow, a son of Robert Lyle and Mary Belle Miller Simpson.

Mr. Simpson retired as an operating engineer in 1996 from Operating Engineers Local 66 of Pittsburgh.

He was Presbyterian. Mr. Simpson was a member of Hernando (Fla.) Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4252.

He enjoyed the outdoors and motorcycling.

On December 17, 1960, he married Eva Marlene Grubbs, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Eric Lyle Simpson of Burgettstown; a brother, Donald M. Simpson of Torrevieja, Spain; two half brothers, Terry and Dean Simpson, both of Florida; a half sister, Catherine Morrison of Denver, Colo.; and several nieces and nephews.

John Rohrbacher

Retired Strabane
ironworker



John "Chandu" Rohrbacher, 82, of Strabane, died Tuesday, June 3, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

He was born April 14, 1921, in South Strabane Township, a son of Frank and Hermine Rohrbacher.

Mr. Rohrbacher was a retired ironworker and a member of Ironworkers Local Union 3.

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

Mr. Rohrbacher was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 553 in Strabane, American Legion Post 902 in Houston and Houston Independent Club.

He was an avid outdoorsman and enjoyed hunting, fishing and local sporting events.

Surviving are a brother, Irwin Rohrbacher of Strabane; and three nephews, Robert and Irwin Rohrbacher, both of Washington and Travis Cutright of Canonsburg; three nieces, Joyce Hostinsky of East Brunswick, N.J., Carol Warholak of Canonsburg and Karen Rohrbacher of Pacific Palisades, Calif.

Deceased are two brothers, Bill and Frank Rohrbacher; and a sister, Anna Cutright. OS

Beatrice Wilson

Former Houston resident
was teacher

Beatrice (Bebe) Wilson, 90, of Penn Hills, formerly of Houston, died Friday, May 30, 2003, in UPMC-Presbyterian hospital, Pittsburgh.

She was born April 14, 1913, in Houston, a daughter of Norman and Roxie Ross Breth.

Mrs. Wilson was a graduate of Canonsburg High School and Indiana State Normal School.

She worked for more than 30 years as an elementary school teacher, having first taught at Moninger School in Chartiers School District and then in Uniontown School District. She retired from Forbes School in Penn Hills School District.

Mrs. Wilson was a member of Hebron Presbyterian Church, Penn Hills.

Surviving are two brothers, James C. Breth of Tampa, Fla., and Glenn L. Breth of Tucson, Ariz.; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are her husband, Woodrow L. Wilson, who died November 29, 1968; two brothers, Norman P. and Donald G. Breth; and a sister, Harriet M. Maizland. HC

Dorothy M. Main

Washington homemaker
enjoyed gardening, baking



Dorothy M. Main, 70, of Washington, died Tuesday, June 3, 2003, in the Washington Hospital emergency room.

She was born June 7, 1932, in Washington, a daughter of Harry A. Seibert and Lulu Birch Grandon.

Mrs. Main was a member of North Buffalo Presbyterian Church.

She was a 1951 graduate of Claysville High School.

Mrs. Main was a homemaker and enjoyed gardening, baking, crossword puzzles and square dancing.

She had worked as a secretary in several local businesses.

On November 22, 1952, in West Washington United Methodist Church with the Rev. Debolt presiding, she married John A. Main, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, John A. Main Jr. of Valley Grove, W. Va., Gary L. Main of Washington and Douglas R. Main, at home; three brothers, James Seibert of Wheeling, W. Va., Don Grandon of Washington and Edward Grandon of Scottsdale, Ariz.; three grandchildren, John Michael, Douglas R. Jr. and Colleen L. Main; and three great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a daughter, Amy June Main; a brother, Harry A. Seibert; and two sisters, Martha Chaney and Shirley Zofchak. CL

Edward J. Puskarich

Co-founder of Peters Twp.
Soccer Association

Edward J. Puskarich, 72, of McMurray, died Thursday, May 29, 2003, in Mercy Hospital, Pittsburgh, following complications from lung disease.

He was born January 13, 1931, in Scenery Hill, a son of Matthew and Suzie Kubovek Puskarich.

His wife, Eleanor Casarcia Puskarich, survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Ed Jr. and David Puskarich; five daughters, Barbara Cassidy, Susan Mary Puskarich, Heather Puskarich, Lana L. Puskarich-Braggs and Christa Puskarich; seven grandchildren; six brothers, Joseph, Mike, Andrew "Stush", George "Toots" and Frank Puskarich and Ally Rastoka; two sisters, Jenny Evans and Dora Moore; and many nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, Joe and Steve Puskarich; and a sister, Mary Ann "Butch" Hathaway. WF

Josephine M. Puree

Canonsburg resident

Josephine M. Puree, 81, of Canonsburg, died Wednesday, June 4, 2003, in Hospice of Martin County, Stuart, Fla.

She was born February 8, 1922, in Strabane, a daughter of Joseph and Mary Mavrigh.

Mrs. Puree was a member of St. Patrick Roman Catholic Church in Canonsburg.

In 1944, she married Victor "Quitsie" Puree, who died in 1971.

Surviving are a daughter, Challise Fiaschi of Stuart; a brother, Leonard Mavrigh of Canonsburg; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two sisters, Mary Popovich and Stephanie Thomas; and a brother, Joseph Mavrigh. OS

Jill Mellissa Pirillo

Licensed Practical Nurse

Jill Mellissa Pirillo, 44, of Avella, died Friday, June 6, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington.

She was born April 3, 1959, in Rock Cave, W. Va., a daughter of the late Chester and Muri Houghton Boger.

Prior to her illness, Mrs. Pirillo was employed as a licensed practical nurse at Humbert Lane Health Care Center in Washington.

She was resident of Avella for 12 years and enjoyed reading and sewing, especially embroidery.

Surviving are her husband, Pete F. Pirillo Jr.; a daughter, Jaime, and a son, Justin, both at home; and a brother, Jerry Boger of Wellsburg, W. Va. V

Kenneth Nowakowski

Owner of Kenney's Auto
Body was Navy veteran

Kenneth W. Nowakowski, 61, of Washington, died Sunday, June 8, 2003, in UPMC-Presbyterian hospital, Pittsburgh.

He was born September 8, 1941, in Pittsburgh, a son of Harry W. and Florence Miekarek Nowakowski.

Since 1987, Mr. Nowakowski owned and operated Kenney's Auto Body on Route 40 in Washington.

He was a U.S. Navy veteran who served aboard the USS Enterprise-65.

On July 25, 1967, he married Evelyn Durkit, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Cindy Mrozinski of Pittsburgh; a son, Kenneth W. Nowakowski Jr. of McDonald; three grandchildren, Erica, Logan and Lance Mrozinski; and a sister, Harriet McAndrews of Pittsburgh. WF

Thelma S. Galentine

Former resident
of West Alexander

Thelma "Bam" Sprowls Galentine, 98, a former resident of West Alexander, died Thursday, June 5, 2003, in Humbert Lane Health Care Center, Washington.

She was born December 8, 1904, in West Finley Township, a daughter of Seaman and Laura Sprowls.

Mrs. Galentine was a member of Windy Gap Presbyterian Church and later attended West Alexander Presbyterian Church.

She was a homemaker and avid reader.

On December 12, 1926, she married Dae Galentine, who died September 4, 1974.

Surviving are five daughters, Olive Federoff and Mary Galentine, both of Washington, Geraldine Henry of Warren, Ohio, Jean Guess of West Alexander and Donna Mellon of Apache Junction, Ariz.; two sons, Robert Galentine of Wheeling, W. Va., and George Galentine of the state of California; and several grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, Harold Galentine; two sisters, Alma Dixel and Edna Phillips; and four brothers, Wade, Bruce, Arthur and John Sprowls.

Respecting the wishes of the deceased, there will be no visitation or services. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests you do a random act of kindness for a stranger. Arrangements are being handled by Michael H. Heinrich Funeral Home, West Alexander.

William T. Woodburn

Former Houston resident
retired from aircraft industry

William "Woody" "Uncle Bill" Thomas Woodburn, 65, a 14-year resident of Apple Valley, Calif., formerly of Houston, died Monday, June 2, 2003, in his residence.

He was born in Canonsburg, a son of the late Leroy T. "Woody" and Gen. Lewis Woodburn.

Mr. Woodburn was a 1956 graduate of Chartiers High School and retired from the aircraft industry after 20 years of service.

He served in the U.S. Army for three years and was a member of the American Legion in West Covina, Calif.

Surviving are a brother, Leroy T. "Peanuts" Woodburn of Apple Valley; two nephews, Troy Lee and Jason Woodburn; two great-nieces; and a great-nephew.

Private family services and inurnment will be held, with Dudley Apple Valley Mortuary in charge of arrangements.

Oliver E. Liggitt Sr.

World War II veteran worked at Westland Mine



Oliver E. Liggitt Sr., 88, of Southview, died Monday, June 9, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born February 23, 1915, in Toms Run, a son of Ervin J. and Margaret Marie Sly Liggitt.

Mr. Liggitt was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II.

He had been a coal miner at Westland Mine and worked as a psychiatric aide at both Woodville and Mayview state hospitals.

On March 10, 1934, he married Angileen Dhans, who died May 24, 1988.

Surviving are a daughter, Marlene Kencec of Westland; two sons, Oliver E. Liggitt Jr. of North Hampton and Gerald A. Liggitt of Franklin; a brother, Lloyd Liggitt of Walnutport; 11 grandchildren, Roxanne Dessify, Joseph Kencec Jr., Darlene Andreas, Vicky Lee, Angie Liggitt, Donna Purcell, Diane Gebhard, Oliver Liggitt III, Jeannina Yeager, Glen Liggitt and Becky Weir.

Deceased are three brothers, Robert, Francis and the Rev. Willard Liggitt; and three sisters, Helen Goodrich, Esther Taylor and Hazel Kellerburg..

MP

ADDITIONAL information has been provided for the obituary of Oliver Liggitt, published Tuesday. Surviving are two stepgrandchildren, Amy and Rick Hartley;

Betty L. Smith

Former Washington resident

Betty Lou Dinsmore Smith, 84, of Fullerton, Calif., formerly of Washington, died Friday, June 6, 2003.

She was born November 10, 1918, in Buffalo Village, a daughter of William and Adeline Dinsmore.

Mrs. Smith was a homemaker and a longtime resident of Washington.

She and her husband owned Smith's Appliances in Washington.

Surviving are a daughter, Beverly E. Smith; a son, Donald E. Smith; and four grandchildren, Courtenay Anne, Christopher Robert, Haley Christine and Madison Elaine Smith.

Deceased is her husband, Edwin P. Smith.

Burial will follow in St. John Byzantine Catholic Cemetery, Hopwood.

Grace Wert

Born in Hickory

Grace Cowden Wert, 85, of Muncy, died Saturday, June 7, 2003, in Muncy Valley Hospital Skilled Nursing Unit.

She was born October 24, 1917, in Hickory, a daughter of J. Ard and Gladys McCalmont Cowden.

Mrs. Wert was a 1935 graduate of Mt. Pleasant Township High School and received a degree in home economics from Penn State University in 1939. She later received a degree in library sciences.

She was employed as a librarian at Muncy High School for 20 years, retiring in 1981.

She was a member of Muncy Presbyterian Church and Presbyterian Women.

Surviving are a son, T. Richard Wert of Orland Park, Ill.; a daughter, Louise W. Koup of Exton; a brother, Thomas Cowden of McDonald; a sister, Mary Jane Dunkle of Zephyrhills, Fla.; and six grandchildren.

Deceased are her husband of 51 years, Edward Wert, who died November 30, 1994; and a son, Edward C. Wert, who died April 20, 1994.

MP

ADDITIONAL information was provided for the obituary of Grace Cowden Wert, published Monday. She had three deceased brothers: John, Joseph Jr. and James Clair Cowden.

Ruth Irene Vega

Active member of Hillcrest Presbyterian Church

Ruth Irene Vega, 89, of Burgettstown, died Monday, June 9, 2003, in Washington County Health Center, Washington.

She was born May 12, 1914, in Burgettstown, a daughter of Benjamin and Ethel Scott Taylor.

Mrs. Vega was a homemaker. She was a member of Hillcrest Presbyterian Church in Burgettstown, where she served as secretary, organist and pianist. She also taught Sunday school.

Mrs. Vega was a member of Burgettstown Senior Citizens, where she played the piano.

Her husband, Henry Eugene Vega, died in 1981.

Surviving are a son, Robert Vega of Apple Valley, Minn.; two brothers, Harold Taylor of Eldersville and Donald Taylor of Hickory; a sister, Doris Diaz of Langeloth; three children, Stacy Parizek, Sheryl Colucci and Jason Vega; and five great-grandchildren.

Deceased is a brother, Ed Taylor.

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Harold E. Kersten

Coal miner, foreman for Consolidation Coal Co.



Harold E. Kersten, 80, of Billings, Mont., died Friday, June 6, 2003, in Edgewood Vista, Billings.

He was born February 2, 1923, in Delmont, a son of Ella and Henry Kersten, and was one of 12 children.

Mr. Kersten was a 1941 graduate of Hickory High School. He served in the U.S. Army Air Forces from February 1943 to July 1945 and was stationed in the European Theater.

Mr. Kersten was employed for many years by Consolidation Coal Co. as a coal miner and foreman.

On August 6, 1945, he married Elma Kisow, who died in August 1980.

On November 22, 1981, he married Mercene Swinaner, who survives in Orchard Park, N.Y. They resided in Canonsburg and Washington until October 2001, when Mr. Kersten moved to Billings for care of his Alzheimer's disease.

Surviving are two sons, Eugene Kersten of Pittsburgh and Chris Kersten of Billings; a grandson, Tai Kersten; a stepson, Carl M. Swinaner of Strykersville, N.Y.; two grandchildren, Carrie Swinaner and Kristen Logel; two great-grandchildren; and five sisters, Ruth Kisow, Betty Van Kirk, Laura Morgan, Rebecca Zapotosky and Nancy Pozonsky.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary in Billings was in charge of cremation arrangements.

Pennisue Ann Borda

Formerly of Canonsburg

Pennisue Ann Borda, 27, of Philadelphia, formerly of Canonsburg, died at 11:40 a.m. Tuesday, June 3, 2003, from injuries sustained in an automobile accident on Interstate 95 in Delco, Delaware County.

Miss Borda was born August 18, 1975, in Washington, a daughter of Ruth Ann Campbell Mitchell of Philadelphia.

She was Protestant.

Miss Borda was a 1992 graduate of Delaware Valley High School.

Surviving are her 5-month-old daughter, Tianna Lorraine Borda, who also was injured in the automobile accident; and many aunts, uncles and cousins in the Canonsburg area.

A private family visitation and service were held Saturday, June 7, in Salandra Funeral Home, Canonsburg, with the Rev. Alfred Cicola officiating. Interment was in Oak Spring Cemetery, Canonsburg.

OS

Mildred S. Noble

English teacher, librarian at McGuffey High School



Mildred S. Noble, 95, of West Alexander, died Friday, June 6, 2003, in Ohio Valley Medical Center, Wheeling, W. Va.

She was born February 13, 1908, in McConnells Mills, a daughter of Charles H. and Allena Crumrine Somerlade.

Mrs. Noble was a member of Claysville Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Noble was an English teacher at Claysville High School and then McGuffey High School, where she was the librarian for many years. Following her retirement, she served as a homebound instructor.

Mrs. Noble was an avid traveler, having visited six continents. She traveled to the Holy Land several times, as well as Africa, China, Russia and India, and gave many slide presentations upon her return.

On July 22, 1931, she married Dr. William Egan Noble, who died in 1970.

Surviving are a son, Dr. William Ellsworth Noble II; two grandchildren, William Egan Noble II and Candice Jae Noble-Greathouse; a sister, Allene Nichol; and a niece.

Deceased are two sisters, Viola and Myrtle Somerlade; and a brother, Arthur Somerlade.

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Frank N. DeFilippis

Retired Burgettstown barber

Frank Nicholas DeFilippis, 81, of Latimer Avenue, Strabane, formerly of Avella and Wellsburg, W. Va., died Saturday, June 7, 2003, in his home.

He was born October 28, 1921, in Cliftonville, W. Va., a son of Domnick and Rose Pascuzzi DeFilippis.

Mr. DeFilippis was a barber in Burgettstown for 30 years and former owner of Palace Bar/Restaurant in Washington for six years.

He was Catholic.

Surviving are his wife, June Lee Holland DeFilippis; a son, Eugene DeFilippis of Toronto, Ohio; a daughter, Darlene DeFilippis of Strabane, with whom he resided; a brother, Domnick DeFilippis of Hickory; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a daughter, Rosemary DeFilippis Venditti; a brother, Pat DeFilippis; and a sister, Josephine Bodonski.

There will be no visitation.

Pauline Scott

Member of Senior Citizens of Canonsburg

Pauline Scott, 80, of McDonald (Southview), died Tuesday, June 17, 2003, in her residence.

She was born January 6, 1923, in Grindstone, a daughter of Nick and Assunda DeSimone Nuccetelli.

Mrs. Scott was a member of Venice Presbyterian Church.

Prior to retirement, she was employed at Jay's Pizza in McDonald and was an owner of Pizza Boy at Washington Mall and Pizza Star in Canonsburg.

Mrs. Scott was a member of Senior Citizens of Canonsburg, with which she enjoyed bowling. She also enjoyed gardening.

Her husband, George Floyd Scott, died in 1977.

Surviving are a son, Joseph R. Scott, with whom she made her home; three grandchildren, Kim Oumour, Michelle Scott and Jennifer Santos; four great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Mary Graff of Beaver Falls and Emma Battestone of Ellsworth.

Deceased are a son, Martin Paul Scott; three sisters, Elma Apostoli, Josephine Femia and Effe Spadafore; and three brothers, Roland, Louis and James Nuccetelli. **V**

Juanita L. Winland

Attended Christian Assembly of God Church

Juanita L. Winland, 71, of Bulger, died at 8:15 p.m. Monday, June 23, 2003, in her home.

She was born September 12, 1931, in Murraysville, W. Va., a daughter of Luther and Edna E. Frederick McClead.

Mrs. Winland attended Christian Assembly of God Church in Burgettstown.

On December 18, 1948, she married Marvin Legg, who died July 19, 1992.

Surviving are four daughters, Emma Jean Yetsick of Bulger, with whom she made her home, Linda Malenich of McDonald, Barbara Ann Legg of McKees Rocks and Betty McAdoo of Washington; two sons, Billy Legg of Avella and Joe Winland of Burgettstown; 22 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; three brothers, William Pallock of Tacoma, Wash., Peter Rosa of Prosperity and August Rosa of Avella; and two sisters, Edna Dorisio of Hickory and Alice McCaffrey of Muse.

Deceased are a daughter, Marlene Campbell; a brother, George McClead; and a grandson, David Campbell. **WP**

Edward John Hilker

Port Authority employee from Avella

Edward John Hilker, 69, of Avella, died Thursday, June 19, 2003, in his home.

He was born October 30, 1933, in Carnegie, a son of Edward and Helen Shaw Hilker.

Mr. Hilker served in the U.S. Army in the military police.

He was a Pittsburgh Port Authority employee for 25 years.

His wife, Shirley A. Rudolph, survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Edward J. Hilker of Hickory and Dale R. Hilker of Avella; a daughter, Laura A. Hilker of South Fayette; a granddaughter, Jennifer N. Hilker; two brothers, Fred and Kenneth; and two sisters, Joan Moore and Virginia Katruska.

Deceased is a brother, Leonard Hilker. **MP**

Kenneth Dinch

Avella resident enjoyed motorcycles

Kenneth "Skip" Dinch, 62, of Avella, Cross Creek Township, died of natural causes at 11:40 p.m. Wednesday, June 18, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

He was born August 7, 1940, in Washington County, a son of the late Russell Hugh and Anna Durilla Dinch.

Mr. Dinch retired from the former Sunoco service station in Hanover Township.

He was an avid pool player and enjoyed motorcycles and watching the Pittsburgh Pirates and Steelers.

On October 31, 1977, he married Alice Watton, who survives.

Surviving are a son, Anthony J. Dinch Sr. of Washington; a grandson, Anthony J. Dinch Jr.; four sisters, Dorothy Bennett and Patti Chapell, both of Burgettstown, Janet Biddle of Delaware and Joyce Bauduin of Georgetown; two brothers, Earl Dinch of Avella and Junior Dinch of Washington; and several nieces and nephews. **I**

Margaret C. Patterson

Retired music teacher was Hickory native

Margaret Conner Patterson, 97, of Patterson Township, Beaver Falls, died Monday evening, June 23, 2003, in Cambridge Village, Patterson Township.

She was born March 6, 1906, in Hickory, a daughter of Dr. Robert Everett and Margaret Donaldson Conner.

Mrs. Patterson was a former elementary music teacher in Beaver Area School District.

She was a member of First Presbyterian Church in Beaver.

Her husband, William E. Patterson, died in 1957.

There will be no visitation. Private graveside services and interment took place Thursday, June 26, in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Hickory.

Elizabeth Allison

Co-founder of National Duncan Glass Society



Elizabeth (Betty) Duncan Allison, 89, of Woodlands Village, Washington, formerly of East Washington, died

Saturday, June 21, 2003.

She was born July 21, 1913, in Washington, a daughter of James Edwin Jr. and Mary Smiley Duncan.

Mrs. Allison attended East Washington Public Grade School and Washington Seminary and graduated from Dana Hall School in Wellesley, Mass., in 1932 and Vassar College in Poughkeepsie, N.Y., in 1936.

Mrs. Allison was a lifelong member of First Presbyterian Church of Washington.

In 1938, she married Odel Parkinson, who is deceased.

In 1980, she married William Tucker Allison Sr., who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Duncan Parkinson of Washington; a daughter, Mary Parkinson Pankopf of Midland, Mich.; four grandchildren, Erick Parkinson, Kirsten Pankopf Ruzicka, and Duncan and Kathryn Pankopf; a great-granddaughter; two stepsons, William T. Allison Jr. of Washington and Robert McCarrell Allison of Switzerland; a stepdaughter, Jane Allison Rainey of Eastham, Mass.; and two stepgrandchildren, Tucker and Rebecca Rainey.

Deceased are two brothers, James E. Duncan III and George Duncan, who died in infancy. **C**

Dolores Jeanne Socha

Weirton homemaker

Dolores Jeanne Socha, 73, of Weirton, W. Va., formerly of Follansbee, W. Va., died Thursday, June 26, 2003, in Trinity Medical Center West, Steubenville, Ohio.

She was born August 11, 1929, in Shintown, near Eldersville, a daughter of Earl and Margaret Meredith Allen.

Mrs. Socha was Baptist.

She was a homemaker, cake decorator, caterer, teacher and artist, and was a member of Jefferson Township Historical Society.

Her husband, Clarence A. Socha, died in 2000.

Surviving are three daughters, Chick Stoll of Eldersville, Patricia Barnett of Steubenville and Christine Poole of Wintersville, Ohio; three brothers, Don Allen of Dayton, Ohio, Wesley Allen of Beech Bottom, W. Va., and John Lee Allen of Paris; six sisters, Esther Hurst of New Cumberland, W. Va., Mabel Baker of Missouri, Marjorie Leppar of Weirton, Mary Lou Tanis and Joanne Cook, both of Colliers, W. Va., and Dorothy Lusakow of Sante Fe, N.M.; and four grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, John L. Socha, who died in 1987; a brother, William Allen; and two sisters, Barbara (Bob) Wolfe and Pearl Price.

Bethel Cemetery, Eldersville.

Lois A. Grose

Member of Martha Washington Quilt Guild



Lois A. Grose, 88, of Taylorstown, died at 8:05 p.m. Monday, June 23, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born

December 18, 1914, in Washington, a daughter of Charles H. and Catherine Elizabeth Piatt Alexander.

Mrs. Grose was a homemaker and attended Taylorstown Presbyterian Church, where she was a member of Loose Threads. She was a member of Martha Washington Quilt Guild and was an avid rug hooker.

On September 18, 1934, she married Walter R. Grose, who died April 25, 1998.

Surviving are two daughters, Carol Ruetschi and Ruth Raber, both of Taylorstown; three sons, John Fredrick and C. Reggie Grose, both of Hickory, and David R. Grose of Cincinnati, Ohio; a sister, Shirley O'Brien of Washington; 11 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a brother, Charles H. Alexander Jr.; and a sister, Ruth Belle Alexander, who died in infancy. **MP**

Jean Russell

Former Midway beautician

Jean Russell, 91, of Burgettstown, formerly of Midway, died Wednesday, June 18, 2003, in Humbert Lane Health Care Center, Washington.

She was born December 11, 1911, in Pittsburgh, a daughter of John and Jessie Logan.

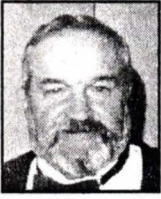
Her husband, James V. Russell, died in 1975.

Surviving are two grandsons, Steven and Timothy Malone of Slovan; a sister, Grace Ryan of McCandless Township; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a daughter, Linda J. Malone, who died in 1990; two sisters, Betty Brabson and Ruth Maroni; and two brothers, John and Roy Logan. **C**

Charles C. Ludwin

West Alexander sawmill owner built wagons



Charles C. Ludwin, 72, of West Alexander R.D.2, died at 9:47 a.m. Friday, June 13, 2003, in his home after being in failing health

the past three years.

He was born March 27, 1931, in Venice, a son of Frank and Clara Margretta Krenn Ludwin.

Mr. Ludwin was a 1949 graduate of Cecil Township High School and resided in Washington prior to moving to West Alexander in 1969.

He was employed all his working life as a machinist and welder and was a former employee of Crile Metallizing, Neville Island Shipyard and Nicholson Pile.

Mr. Ludwin was owner-operator of Ludwin Sawmill and Logging from 1976 until retiring in 1995.

He enjoyed raising and training horses and mules and was a self-taught wagon builder.

On May 31, 1984, he married Arlene Catherine Maccari, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Kathy O'Dell Welte of Erie; a son, Charles C. Ludwin Jr. of Washington; three stepsons, Anthony Graytok of Poway, Calif., and Donald (Joe) Ealy and David Wayne Ealy, both of West Alexander R.D.2; a brother, Wayne Lee Ludwin of Castle Shannon; two sisters, Janice Gibbs of McDonald and Judy Bowser of Canonsburg; four grandchildren, Ryan Ludwin and Christy, Jeremy and Stacy Welte; five stepgrandchildren, Anessa and Daniel Graytok and Kansas, Savanna and Cody Ealy; and a great-grandson.

Deceased are a brother, David Ludwin; and a sister, Bertha Jane Ludwin, who died at the age of 3.

WA

Harry Allan Lane

Canonsburg contractor was WWII veteran



Harry Allan Lane, 82, of Canonsburg, died Friday, June 13, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

He was born October 11, 1920, in Canonsburg, a son of Wilmer and Anna Neely Lane.

Mr. Lane was a self-employed contractor for many years and later worked for McGraw-Edison in Canonsburg for more than 20 years.

On May 6, 1943, he married Irene Marshall, who died December 20, 1991.

Surviving are two daughters, Jean Huber of Bentleyville and Debbie Delfine of Canonsburg; a son, David Lane of Monongahela; five grandchildren, Rob Huber, Matt and Drew Delfine and Michael and Shane Woods; two great-granddaughters; a brother, Clair Lane of Cape Coral, Fla.; a sister, Bernice Edwards of Washington; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, Web and Carl Lane; and a sister, Margaret Lane.

HARRY'S PARENTS ARE BURIED AT OAK SPRINGS

Sara Watson Gamble

Retired from Mayview State Hospital, enjoyed reading

Sara Watson Gamble, 89, Erwin, Tenn., formerly of Canonsburg, died Sunday, June 8, 2003, in her home.

She was born December 30, 1914, in Houston, a daughter of T. Arthur and Elsie Miller Watson.

Mrs. Gamble was employed at Mayview State Hospital as an attendant and a psychiatric technician, retiring in 1972.

On November 22, 1937, she married Albert G. Gamble, who died January 23, 1985.

Mrs. Gamble was a voracious reader and enjoyed playing bridge.

Surviving are a daughter, Jeanne Donell of Washington; a son, Allen Gamble of Erwin, Tenn., with whom she made her home; five grandchildren, Susan Dettra, Rick Donell, Michael Donell, Ryan Gamble and Sara Gamble Owen; nine great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a brother, Harold Miller Watson; and a sister, Mildred Watson Weiblen.

Private services were held. A graveside service will be held at a later date.

OS

Jack Aivalotis

U.S. Army vet of WWII

Jack Aivalotis, 79, of Bulger, died Saturday, June 14, 2003, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh.

He was born May 14, 1924, in Heidelberg, a son of John A. and Loretta Powelson Aivalotis.

Mr. Aivalotis was a World War II veteran, having served with the U.S. Army.

He was a 1942 graduate of Midway High School.

Mr. Aivalotis was a foreman for Taylor Forge in Carnegie for more than 20 years.

He also worked for USAir as a baggage handler for 17 years, retiring in 1985.

Mr. Aivalotis was a member of Trinity United Presbyterian Church and Clark Golf League, both in McDonald.

On April 6, 1946, he married Dorothy L. (Dot) Janeshek, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Daryl L. Aivalotis of Stuart, Fla., and Don L. Aivalotis of Bulger; a brother, Harry W. Aivalotis of Wheeling, W. Va.; two sisters, Gladys Hampson of Scranton, S.C., and Dorothy McCartney of Carnegie; and four grandchildren, Bryan, Donald II and Michael Aivalotis, and Mitchell Greene.

Deceased are two brothers, Nicholas J. and Robert Aivalotis.

John W. Ritson

Retired steelworker worked for North Fayette Township

John W. Ritson, 72, of McDonald (North Fayette Township), died Tuesday, June 17, 2003, in his home.

He was born April 16, 1931, in McDonald, a son of Thomas and Florence Devaney Ritson.

Mr. Ritson was a 1949 graduate of North Fayette High School and retired as a steelworker from J&L Steel and LTV Steel Corp. After retirement, he worked in the maintenance department of North Fayette Township.

He enjoyed watching his grandchildren play sports.

In 1953, he married Olga Drysdale, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Thomas W. Ritson of Forest Hills; a daughter, Karen Gillooly of Coraopolis; four grandchildren, Sean and Michael Ritson and Sara and Mark Gillooly; two brothers, Thomas Ritson Jr. of McDonald and Albert Ritson of Scott Township; two sisters, Gloria Schroeder of the state of California and Rosemary Sikorski of Bridgeville; and many nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a son, Brian Ritson; and a sister, Viola Reinstadler.

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 her vehicle 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 identity 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 McCarrel 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, considering Miles, who had a child in December, was in route to work when the accident occurred.

Kylee Jo Miles

2001 Fort Cherry graduate worked at Giant Eagle



Kylee Jo Miles, 19, of Hickory, died Thursday, June 12, 2003, on McCarrel 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.

MP

Matthew H. Wilson Jr.

Canonsburg resident was Aviation Pioneers member

Matthew H. Wilson Jr., 82, of Canonsburg, died Wednesday, June 25, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born May 15, 1921, in Canonsburg, a son of Matthew H. and Martha Kelso Wilson.

Mr. Wilson attended Canonsburg schools prior to joining the U.S. Army Air Forces. He served for three years in North Africa and Italy, doing aircraft maintenance during World War II.

He had been a member of Aviation Pioneers since 1951.

Prior to his retirement, Mr. Wilson was employed in the construction industry as a pipefitter and steamfitter and was a member of Pipe and Steamfitters Local Union 449 of Pittsburgh for 56 years.

While living in the state of California, he was employed as purchasing agent for AN-Mark Industries of Van Nuys, Calif.

On June 21, 1947, he married Marjorie Heakin, who survives. He and his wife retired to Florida in 1983 and moved back to Canonsburg in 2002.

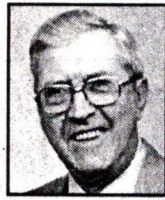
Mr. Wilson was Protestant, enjoyed big bands and was an excellent ballroom dancer.

Surviving are a sister, Jean Kuhn of New Wilmington; and three nieces and two nephews.

Deceased are two sisters, Dorothy Wilson and Catherine Gregory; and a brother, Robert Wilson. OS

George F. Sprowls

Trustee for Claysville United Methodist Church



George Francis Sprowls, 90, of Claysville, died Friday, June 20, 2003, in Kade Nursing Home, Washington, following a brief

illness.

He was born April 11, 1913, West Finley Township, a son of William Lester and Grace M. Francis Sprowls.

Mr. Sprowls was a troubleshooting mechanic for Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania for more than 25 years.

He served on Claysville Borough Council and Claysville Volunteer Fire Department.

Mr. Sprowls was a member for many years of Claysville United Methodist Church, where he served on the board of trustees.

He enjoyed camping.

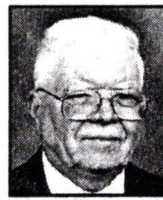
On November 21, 1938, he married Catherine Egan, who died April 26, 1996.

Surviving are three sons, Thomas E. Sprowls Sr. of Berlin; the Rev. Charles G. Sprowls of Williamsburg and David Sprowls of Finleyville; a daughter, Ellen S. Stehle of Eighty Four; 12 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two sisters, Romaine Logue and Maxine Ely; and a brother, Donald Sprowls. CL

Raymond J. Kasperek

Claysville veteran was active with church, seniors



Raymond James Kasperek, 86, of Claysville, died Saturday, June 21, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington.

He was born August 7, 1916, in Grand Island, Neb., a son of Stephen and Agnes Kantor Kasperek.

Mr. Kasperek was a member of West Alexander Presbyterian Church, where he served three years on the Session.

He was a graduate of Seward (Neb.) High School and Grand Island Business College, where he received a degree in accounting.

Mr. Kasperek was a staff sergeant in World War II and a master sergeant in the Korean War, serving from 1944 to 1946 and from 1950 to 1952 in the U.S. Air Force.

On November 24, 1978, he married Wanda (Connie) Stemple, who died October 25, 2002.

Surviving are a son, Jan A. (Jay) Kasperek of Waterford, Mich., and Sue Ellen DePaulis of Bellaire, Ohio; four brothers, Ed of Oregon and Ted, Al and Bernie Kasperek, all of Washington state; and four sisters, Marie Dowless, Patricia Kasperek, Martha Billings and Angela Tietz, all of Oregon state.

Deceased are a granddaughter, Rojene Kasperek Thompson; a brother, Steve Kasperek; and a sister, Cecilia Kasperek. CL

Harold McDonald

Member of Church of the Covenant

Harold (Hal) Dunbar McDonald, 71, of Washington, died Monday, June 16, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington.

He was born September 5, 1931, in Buffalo Village, a son of James Paul and Ida Mae McDaid McDonald.

Mr. McDonald was a 1949 graduate of Washington High School.

He was self-employed, working in the real estate industry.

Mr. McDonald was a member of Church of the Covenant in Washington. He also was a member of the Edwin Scott Linton American Legion Post 175, LOOM 22, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 927, Alpine Club and Arms Club.

On April 11, 1975, he married LaDonna Joan Pavlik, who died June 5, 1991.

Surviving are a son, Robert Chirko of Berwin, Ill.; two daughters, Roberta Chirko and Katrina K. King, both of Indiana; and a brother, Eugene T. McDonald of Cherokee, Okla.

Marilyn E. Hutchinson

Michigan teacher formerly of Canonsburg



Marilyn Elizabeth Hutchinson, 58, of Lansing, Mich., formerly of Canonsburg, died Monday, June 23, 2003.

She was born March 2, 1945, in Canonsburg, a daughter of William and Helen Hutchinson.

Mrs. Hutchinson earned a bachelor's degree from Penn State University and a master's degree from Michigan State University.

She taught in Lansing School District for 30 years.

Surviving are her husband, Jack Johnson; two sons, Matthew Mitchell and Shane Johnson; a sister, Ann Hutchinson of Mason, Mich.; a brother, James Hutchinson of Lapeer, Mich.; a grandchild; and many nieces and nephews.

A brother, Dave, is deceased. Memorial services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Friday, June 27, 2003, in Mason First Church of the Nazarene, 415 E. Maple Street, Mason. OS

Robert F. McAvoy

Cooper retiree volunteered for Canonsburg Food Bank

Robert F. McAvoy, 56, of Canonsburg, died at 12:20 a.m. Friday, June 13, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born February 21, 1947, in Canonsburg, a son of the late Frank J. and Anna M. Matyas McAvoy.

Mr. McAvoy was a member of First United Methodist Church of Canonsburg, where he played in the dartball league.

He was a 1965 graduate of Canon-McMillan High School and a lifelong resident of Canonsburg.

Mr. McAvoy was a volunteer for Canonsburg Food Bank, a former member of Canonsburg Junior Chamber of Commerce and 4th of July Celebration committee and a member of Jefferson College Historical Society in Canonsburg.

He worked in the insulation department of Cooper Industries in Canonsburg until it closed.

Surviving are two sons, Robert F. McAvoy Jr. and John McAvoy, both of Canonsburg.

A sister, Margaret McAvoy, died in infancy. OS

William M. Bibby

U.S. Army vet of WWII

William M. Bibby, 85, of Claysville, died Saturday, June 21, 2003, in Southmont of Presbyterian SeniorCare, Washington.

He was born November 14, 1917, in Catawissa, a son of Frank V. and Marguerite B. Bibby.

Mr. Bibby was Protestant. He was a 1935 graduate of Williamsport High School.

Mr. Bibby was employed for many years by Simon White's Monuments and Wilkie Contracting, both in Claysville.

He was a member of Claysville Masonic Lodge 447 F&AM and Claysville American Legion James R. Hunt Post 639.

Mr. Bibby was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II, serving in the European Theater.

He enjoyed showing mastiffs.

On November 3, 1940, in St. Clairsville, Ohio, he married Jane C. Carson, who died August 16, 2002.

Mr. Bibby was the last of his immediate family.

A sister, Margaret B. Price, is deceased. CL

George Sheldon Hensel

Photographer for School Pictures Inc.

George Sheldon Hensel, 81, of Washington, died Wednesday, July 9, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington.

He was born March 19, 1922, in Canonsburg, a son of George P. and Bessie Smith Hensel.

Mr. Hensel was a graduate of Hickory High School and had attended Washington & Jefferson College and Wittenberg (Ohio) University.

During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army Air Forces as a pilot with the 5th Combat Cargo Squadron in the South Pacific.

Mr. Hensel was an active leader in Boy Scouts of America and Indian Guides.

On March 4, 1944, he married Martha Irene Wilson, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Donald W. Hensel of Atlanta, Ga.; three daughters, Terrie Costello, C. Suzanne Hensel and Janice H. Murdoch, all of Washington; two brothers, J. Willard Hensel of Claysville and Robert Hensel of Newton, N.C.; two sisters, Ruth Mumaw of Sugar Creek, Ohio, and Mary E. Hensel of Newton; five grandchildren, Christopher Costello, Andrew and Lowrie Murdoch, and Martha and Philip Hensel.

A brother, W.B. Hensel, is deceased.

Nancylea Hradecky

Member of Calvary
Presbyterian Church

Nancylea Hradecky, 73, of McDonald, died Tuesday, June 24, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born September 7, 1929, a daughter of Albert Dwight and Frances Woods Shupe.

Mrs. Hradecky was a 1947 graduate of McDonald High School and received a degree in business from Robert Morris College.

She worked for a while as a receptionist at Greater Pittsburgh Airport.

Mrs. Hradecky was a member of Calvary Presbyterian Church in McDonald.

Surviving are a son, Joseph D. (Jay) Hradecky of Clinton; a daughter, Frances Beth Hradecky of Clinton; a brother, Dwight W. "Woody" Shupe of McDonald; five grandchildren, Kristian Lyn Menegon, David Jay, Logan Erik, Corbin James and Mariah Breann Hradecky; and a great-grandson. RR

Anna Listello

McDonald homemaker

Anna Listello, 97, of McDonald, died Tuesday, June 17, 2003, in Manor Care, McMurray.

She was born December 3, 1905, a daughter of Emile and Julia Dufour.

Mrs. Listello was a homemaker.

She was a member of First United Methodist Church, McDonald, and a former member of McDonald Senior Citizens Center.

On December 15, 1926, she married Stephen Listello, who died November 7, 1930.

Surviving are a son, Steven Listello of McDonald; a daughter, Florence Howells of Canonsburg; four grandchildren, David A. and Donald B. Daniels and Steven W. and Linda Listello; and eight great-grandchildren.

Deceased are three brothers, Joseph, Charles and Paul Dufour. RR

Samuel W. Miller

Lifelong Canonsburg
area resident

Samuel W. Miller, 66, of Houston, died Wednesday, July 2, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington.

He was born July 25, 1936, in Canonsburg, a son of Harry and Gertrude L. Kunkle Miller.

Mr. Miller was a lifelong Canonsburg area resident.

Prior to his retirement in 1985, he was employed as a truck driver for 25 years, last working for Suwak Trucking Co. of Washington.

Mr. Miller was a member of Teamsters Union and enjoyed traveling.

On June 23, 1984, he married Eleanor M. Bowers, who survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Lisa Fuller of White Oak, Beverly White of Pennsylvania and Sharon Petanowich of Clearwater, Fla.; eight grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

He was the last of his immediate family.

Deceased is a brother, Harry William Miller. C

Sandra Lee Dodson

Mt. Pleasant resident
formerly of Washington

Sandra Lee Dodson, 56, of Mt. Pleasant, formerly of Washington, died Friday, July 4, 2003, in her home.

She was born December 15, 1946, in Waynesburg, a daughter of the late Ward Goodemote and Emily Connor Goodemote Rush.

Surviving are a daughter, Dwana Loar of Mt. Pleasant; two sons, Glenn Dodson of Pittsburgh and Jack Dodson of Mt. Pleasant; a brother, Gail Goodemote of Las Vegas, Nev.; a sister, Judith Lucas of Washington; two stepbrothers, Larry Rush of Washington and Donald Rush of Mt. Pleasant; and five grandchildren.

Deceased are two sisters, Glenda Hoffman and Dolores Vinansky. OS

Joshua A. Holliday Sr.

Owned Holliday Sporting
Goods, Holliday Hardware



Joshua A. Holliday Sr., 94, of Canonsburg, died Tuesday, July 1, 2003, in Aspinwall Veterans Administration Hospital.

He was born May 21, 1909, in East Palestine, Ohio, a son of John P. and Lily Cox Holliday.

Mr. Holliday spent most of his life in Canonsburg, where he was owner of several businesses, including Holliday Billiards, Holliday Sporting Goods and Holliday Hardware.

His wife, Elizabeth Miller Holliday, died February 11, 1991.

Surviving are two daughters, Maxine Elizabeth Bails McKenery of Canonsburg and Marlene Natalini of Mt. Lebanon; one son, David J. Holliday Sr. of Canonsburg; seven grandchildren, Jody Lynn Schmidt, Sherry Ann Gillispie, Joshua A. Holliday III, Tracy Gamble, David J. Holliday Jr., Trisha Holliday and Megan Holliday; 14 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a son, Joshua A. Holliday Jr.; a granddaughter, Diane Morgan; four brothers, Alonzo (Lou), Charles, John (Happy) and Hugh Holliday; and four sisters, Lillian Grady, Grace McDonald, Mary Lewis and Florence Kern.

He was the last of his immediate family. OS

Elio Cecchini

W-P Steel retiree

Elio Cecchini, 86, of Avella, died at 6:30 a.m. Saturday, July 12, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington.

He was born March 23, 1917, in Ellsworth, a son of Joseph and Oretta Flori Cecchini.

Mr. Cecchini served in the Army Air Forces as a tech sergeant with the 918th Air Engineer Squadron in the European Theater. He was one of five brothers who served during World War II.

Before the war, he worked for Duquesne-Aurora Mine and Jefferson Mine. After the war, he was employed by Alex E. Paris Contracting and Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Corp. as a track gang leader for 28 years, retiring in 1978. He was a United Mine Workers of America member for 20 years.

On June 28, 1941, he married Mary Suvada, who died March 13, 2003.

Surviving are two sons, Daniel and Marc Cecchini, both of Avella; a daughter, Oretta Cecchini Muro of Avella; eight grandchildren, Nikki, Heather, Matthew, Danielle, Christopher, Recchio, Elizabeth and Tony; seven great-grandchildren; a sister, Dolores Cecchini Malinky of Wellsburg, W. Va.; and two brothers, Lee Cecchini of Avella and Clarence Cecchini of Atlasburg.

Deceased are two brothers, William (Nick) and Joseph (Tulio) Cecchini; and two sisters, Alice Cecchini Sporka and Mary Margaret (Dolly) Cecchini. WP

Ruth Stevens O'Rourke

Nursing assistant
at McMurray Hills Manor

Ruth L. Wright Stevens O'Rourke, 56, of Houston, died Wednesday, July 9, 2003, in McMurray Hills Manor.

She was born August 22, 1946, in Washington County, a daughter of the late Samuel Wright and Catherine Stewart Wright Stanley.

Mrs. O'Rourke was a resident of the Houston and Canonsburg areas all her life.

She was a former member of Church of the Nazarene in Strabane.

Mrs. O'Rourke was a certified nursing assistant and was employed by McMurray Hills Manor Nursing Home.

She enjoyed bowling and camping.

Her first husband, Richard J. Stevens, died in 1975.

Her second husband, Robert W. O'Rourke, died in 1992.

Surviving are a daughter, Sylvia K. Markle of Canonsburg; three sons, Robert C. O'Rourke of Houston, John R. Stevens of Florida and Dennis L. Stevens of Burgettstown; two stepsons, Richard and Bobby Stevens; two stepdaughters, Helen and Barbara Stevens; two sisters, Nancy O'Bryan and Ilene Brown, both of Canonsburg; a brother, William R. Stanley of Bethel Park; and three grandchildren, Jason, Jeremy and Emily Markle.

Deceased are a daughter, Joyce A. Stevens; and her stepfather, William Stanley. OS

Anna Helen Daske

Washington homemaker
formerly of Slovan

Anna Helen (Annie) Daske, 64, of Washington, formerly of Slovan, died Wednesday, July 9, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born July 17, 1938, in Bertha Mine, a daughter of the late Mike and Helen Hoberek Daske.

Miss Daske was a homemaker.

Surviving are a brother, Mike Daske of West Virginia; three sisters, Irene Mrenak of Washington, Dorothy Hart of Sparks, Nev., and Kathryn Wright of Burgettstown; and several nieces and nephews.

A sister, Mary Daske, is deceased. F

Alfred S. Brilla

U.S. Navy veteran

Alfred S. Brilla, 74, of Canonsburg, died Monday, June 30, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born November 5, 1928, in West Mifflin, a son of Michael and Mary Mular Brilla.

Mr. Brilla was a maintenance supervisor at the former McGraw-Edison plant in Canonsburg.

He was a veteran of World War II, serving with the U.S. Navy.

He was a past president of the local steelworkers union.

Surviving are two sons, Fred Brilla of Canonsburg and Michael Brilla of Houston; a daughter, Marcia Maga of Southview; three grandchildren, Tessa, Toni and Shannon; and a sister, Mary Sowers of the state of California.

Deceased are two brothers and three sisters. OS

Howard Snatchko Sr.

Retired truck driver
from Imperial

Howard Frank "Hafe" Snatchko Sr., 84, of Imperial, North Fayette Township, died Thursday, July 3, 2003.

He was born October 14, 1918, in Oakdale, a son of Charles and Anna Kargle Snatchko.

Mr. Snatchko retired as a truck driver for Schwerman Co. and was a member of Penn Hills Teamsters Local 249 for 50 years.

He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II.

Mr. Snatchko was an avid baseball fan and a friend of Ted Williams.

He was a donor of 175 pints of blood.

His wife, Lois Romestan Snatchko, survives.

Also surviving are four daughters, two sons, five stepchildren; several grandchildren, great-grandchildren and nieces and nephews; three brothers, Roy, Rene and Robert Snatchko; and four sisters, Dorothy Leonard, Ruth Augustine, Rosanna Pancirov and Betty Carins.

Deceased are four brothers, George, Jim, Peter and Charles Snatchko; and three sisters, Loraine Dewey, Joan Gordon and Florence Cook. **RR**

Ralph E. Maskarinec

U.S. Army veteran
of Korean War

Ralph E. Maskarinec, 73, of Hickory, died Saturday, June 28, 2003, in Beverly Health Care Center, North Strabane Township.

He was born February 18, 1930, in North Braddock.

Mr. Maskarinec was a veteran of the Korean War, serving in the U.S. Army.

He was an avid gardener and enjoyed horses and spending time with his family.

On July 11, 1956, he married Marilyn Clarke, who died in 1980.

Surviving are two daughters, Lou Ann Franks of South Fayette and Mary Ellen Krockner of Bridgeville; a son, Girard Maskarinec of Cardiff, Calif.; four granddaughters, Danielle and Kristine Krockner and Mandi and Maggie Franks; four sisters, Marie and Anne Maskarinec, both of North Braddock, Martha D'Zura of Oakmont and Genevieve Blasko of East Pittsburgh; two brothers, Michael Maskarinec of Swissvale and Gabriel Maskarinec of Idaho Falls, Idaho; and a great-granddaughter. **WF**

Bette A. Spicer

Member of First United
Methodist Church



Bette A. Spicer, 60, of Eighty Four, died unexpectedly Tuesday, July 1, 2003, in Hilo Medical Center, Hilo, Hawaii.

She was born October 2, 1942, in Canonsburg, a daughter of Raymond and Gladys Davis Rossell.

Mrs. Spicer was a member of First United Methodist Church, Canonsburg.

She worked for SKC Inc. in Eighty Four.

Surviving are her husband, Otis Spicer; a son, Kevin J. Spicer of Carlisle; two daughters, Kristie K. Wuycheck of Port St. Lucie, Fla., and Kimberly R. Filardi of Hermitage; and six grandchildren, Erika Spicer, Emily and Sara Wuycheck and Allison, Kevin and Michael Filardi. **OS**

Elizabeth J. Watson

Member of McDonald
Senior Citizens Center

Elizabeth J. (Betty) Watson, 86, of McDonald, died Monday, July 7, 2003, in Horizon Senior Care Center, Canonsburg.

She was born December 20, 1916, in North Fayette Township, a daughter of Charles and Mary Bosc Schmek.

In 1939, she married John H. Watson, who died in 1985.

Surviving are a son, John H. Watson Jr. of Doswell, Va.; three grandchildren, Kim McGuire, Debbie Watson and James A. Watson Jr.; and two great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, James A. Watson; a brother, Charles Schmek Jr.; and two sisters, Anne J. Schmek and Emily Frazier.

Miriam E. Strazinski

Avella resident born in Rea

Miriam Elizabeth O'Donnell Strazinski, 84, of Avella, died Sunday, August 3, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born March 4, 1919, in Rea, a daughter of David and Bertha White O'Donnell.

Mrs. Strazinski was Catholic.

Surviving are her husband, Samuel Strazinski; a son, Joseph Midler of Glendale, Ariz.; two daughters, Sharon M. Reddinger of Weirton, W. Va., and Betty McCormick of Parma, Ohio; a brother, James O'Donnell of Cross Creek; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, Samuel L. Strazinski; two brothers, Dave and Hugh "Buck" O'Donnell; and a sister, Katherine Bell. **CC**

Verne P. Greene Sr.

Weirton Steel retiree

Verne P. Greene Sr., 78, of Bulger, died Saturday, June 28, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

He was born November 24, 1924, in Bulger, a son of Earl Thomas and Stella Link Greene.

Mr. Greene worked as a heavy equipment operator for Weirton Steel for 35 years before retiring in 1984.

He enjoyed tinkering with heavy equipment and Harley-Davidsons.

On July 24, 1948, he married Helen Mae Harmon, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, David E. Harmon of Joffre and Verne P. Greene Jr. and Gary M. Greene Sr., both of Bulger; two daughters, Sandra Lee Klinsavage of Presto and Betty Lou Greene of Burgettstown; 10 grandchildren, Marylou Harris, Lonny and Ryan Greene, Len and Bill Kapton, Allen L. Crow Jr., Betty Lou Beckner, Roy A. Shuble Jr. and Gary M. Jr. and Danny Greene; and 16 great-grandchildren.

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HIS PARENTS ARE BURIED
AT RACCOON CEMETERY

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Gladys Denny Melone

Member of First UP Church
of Houston

Gladys L. Denny Melone, 76, of Houston, died Wednesday July 9, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born February 18, 1927, in Meadow Lands, a daughter of Walter M. and Madeline Davidson Denny.

Mrs. Melone had worked for the former RCA in Canonsburg and Meadow Lands for 33 years, retiring in 1984.

She was a member of First United Presbyterian Church and a life member of American Legion Post 902 Ladies Auxiliary, both in Houston.

Her husband, Charles H. Melone, is deceased.

Surviving are two sons, Donald and James Denny, both of Houston; a daughter, Lora Marshall of Houston; 11 grandchildren; two great-grandsons; and a great-great-grandson.

Deceased are a sister, Dorothy Evelyn Downing; and a brother, Donald Denny. **WF**

Edna F. Rohde

Salvation Army retiree

Edna F. Rohde, 89, formerly of Midway and Scott Township, died Friday, July 4, 2003.

She was born January 10, 1914, a daughter of Henry and Minnie Windsheimer Rohde.

She was retired from the Salvation Army service extension unit and was a member of Center United Presbyterian Church in Midway.

Surviving is a niece, Sandy Gardner.

Deceased are two brothers, Henry and William Rohde; and three sisters, Carrie and Rose Rohde and Clara Dehler. **C**

George T. Holmes Jr.

Hopewell Township
resident raised in Midway

George T. Holmes Jr., 73, of Hopewell Township, died Monday, June 23, 2003.

He was born November 22, 1929, in McDonald, a son of George T. Sr. and Ann Walker Holmes.

Mr. Holmes was raised in Midway and retired in 1989 from PNGCO.

His wife, Helen Horency Holmes, survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Elizabeth Walker of Pittsburgh; two sons, George W. Holmes of Ben Avon and Bryan Holmes of Florida; a brother, Donald Holmes of Alabama; and a sister, Darlene Cox of Biglerville.

Mt. Olivet Cemetery,
Hopewell Township.

Charles Milligan Sr.

Brick mason formerly
of Canonsburg

Charles W. Milligan Sr., 79, of Laguna Woods, Calif., formerly of Canonsburg, died Wednesday, July 2, 2003, in Saddleback Memorial Medical Center, Laguna Hills, Calif.

He was born January 8, 1924, in Canonsburg, a son of Martin and Katherine McPherson Milligan.

Mr. Milligan resided in Laguna Woods for the past 39 years and worked as a brick mason in construction for 40 years.

During World War II, he served in the U.S. Navy.

His wife, Lois Giffin Milligan, died September 2, 1991.

Surviving are two sons, William Jr. and Jeffrey Milligan, both of California state; four grandchildren; a brother, Martin "Bud" Milligan Jr. of

Canonsburg; and two sisters, Kay Lawrence and Jean Mason, both of Canonsburg. OS

Margaret Suprek

Wellsburg, W.Va., resident
formerly of Avella

Margaret Suprek, 87, of Wellsburg, W.Va., formerly of Avella, died at 10:53 a.m. Tuesday, July 15, 2003, in Brightwood Center, Follansbee, W.Va.

She was born October 2, 1915, in Homestead, a daughter of John and Mary Palo Duch.

For the past 20 years Mrs. Suprek lived in Wellsburg.

On July 24, 1939, she married John Michael Suprek, who died February 16, 1965.

Surviving are three daughters, Patricia Hooper of Paris, Jane Poole of Follansbee and Pamela Freshwater of Wellsburg; three sons, Arthur Suprek of Martinez, Ga., and Russell and Clyde Suprek, both of Avella; 13 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, Fredrick George Suprek; two brothers, Joseph and John Duch; and a sister, Wilma Sancosky. WP

Mary Cruny

Member of St. Michael
Church, Avella



Mary Cruny, 75, of Avella, died at 9:31 p.m. Saturday, July 19, 2003, in UPMC-Presbyterian hospital,

Pittsburgh.

She was born June 14, 1928, in Washington, a daughter of Silvio and Rosie DeFelice Bernardi.

Thomas J. Shaw

Self-employed Canonsburg
junk man

Thomas J. "Scrappy Pappy" Shaw, 81, of Canonsburg, died Wednesday, June 25, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born July 27, 1921, in Greensburg, a son of Edward H. and Carrie Bell Shaw.

Mr. Shaw spent most of his life in Canonsburg.

He was a self-employed junk man for many years in the Canonsburg area.

His wife, June Huntzelman Shaw, is deceased.

Surviving are a son, T.J. Shaw of Washington; a sister, Betty Fullgraf of Cecil; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a daughter, Diana Shaw; three brothers, Edward Donald, James Edwin and Charles Robert Shaw; and two sisters, Mildred Fericks and Lucretia Gorfi.

There was no public visitation. Services and burial in Oak Spring Cemetery, Canonsburg, were private. Arrangements were by Sollon Funeral Home Ltd., Canonsburg. OS

Mary Rosier

Canonsburg homemaker

Mary Rosier, 85, of Canonsburg, died Thursday, July 10, 2003, in ManorCare, McMurray.

She was born March 4, 1918, in Redstone Township, Fayette County, a daughter of Nick and Rose Surich Jellots.

Mrs. Rosier was a homemaker who enjoyed reading and music.

Her husband, Ray Rosier, died January 21, 1999.

Surviving are three daughters, Frances Marais of Weisbaden, Germany, Loretta Bonczek of Canonsburg and Dorothy Rosier of Costa Mesa, Calif.; three sons, Robert of Washington, William of Gary, Ind., and David Rosier of West Alexander; a brother, Any Jellots of Rices Landing; and seven grandchildren, Anthony Marais, Danny, Aaron and Benjamin Rosier and Beau, Natasha and Marisa Bonczek.

Deceased are a son, Clarence Rosier; a sister, Helen Robinson; and four brothers, Pete, Paul, Mike and Joe Jellots. OS

Juanita V. Zickefoose

Member, secretary of
Frankfort Springs Grange

Juanita Vance Zickefoose, 85, of Hanover Township, Burgettstown, died Tuesday, July 8, 2003, in Weirton (W.Va.) Medical Center.

She was born November 2, 1917, in Robinson Township, a daughter of William D. and Hazel Covert Vance.

Mrs. Zickefoose was a 50-year member of Frankfort Springs United Presbyterian Church and an active member and secretary of Frankfort Springs Grange 1989 for 50 years.

On September 30, 1940, in Weirton, she married Larry Zickefoose, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Karen Shurtliffe of Lewisburg; a son, William Zickefoose of Burgettstown; six grandchildren, Aimee Bushey, Ryan and Brett Shurtliffe, and Carrie, Will and Amanda Zickefoose; a sister, Madelon V. Barkhurst of Bulger; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased is a brother, Thayer Vance.

Services and interment are private and under the direction of Lee and Martin Funeral Home,

Elizabeth M. Hodgens

Member of Fourth
Presbyterian Church



Elizabeth Margaret Hodgens, 87, of Washington, died at 5:10 p.m. Tuesday, July 15, 2003, in

Washington County Health Center, Washington, following a two-year illness.

She was born October 29, 1915, in Turtle Creek, a daughter of Stanley Oklahoma and Margaret Williams Rush.

Mrs. Hodgens was a member of Fourth Presbyterian Church and its choir and ladies aid.

She was a homemaker, who enjoyed cooking and her friends.

In 1933, she married Vern Oscar Hodgens, who died February 3, 1958.

Surviving are three sons, James and Robert V. Hodgens, both of Washington, and Charles Edwin Hodgens of Anderson, S.C.; a daughter, Betty Hodgens Vickers of Davidsonville, Md.; three brothers, Cyrus Rush of Walterboro, S.C., Howard Rush of McMurray and Albert Rush of West Middleton; a sister, Geraldine Rush of Waterford; nine grandchildren; six stepgrandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; 15 stepgreat-grandchildren; and a stepgreat-great-grandchild.

Deceased are a brother, James O. Rush; and two grandchildren, Kathy and James Hodgens. W

Bertha Peeples

Longtime resident of Avella

Bertha Peeples, 81, of Avella, died at 8:55 a.m. Sunday, July 13, 2003, in HRC-Manor Care of McMurray.

She was born January 8, 1922, in Virginia, a daughter of John and Lavena Smith.

Mrs. Peeples was a resident of Avella since 1930 and a member of Westland First Baptist Church.

In 1945, she married John W. Peeples, who died December 2, 1973.

Surviving are two daughters, Marlene Woods of Pittsburgh and Carol Anderson of Canonsburg; a son, Donald L. Peeples of Avella; six grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; five brothers, John, Howard, Grant, Fritz and Leroy Smith; and a sister, Dorothy Smith.

Deceased is a son, John W. Peeples Jr., who died July 15, 1993. WP

Edward Sallee, 1916

McDonald, Dec. 29.—Edward Sallee, aged 21, son of the Rev. and Mrs. G. E. Sallee, died this morning at the home of his parents, of heart failure, following a two weeks' illness. Besides the father, who is pastor of the Baptist colored church, and the mother, three brothers and five sisters, all at home, survive. The funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the First United Presbyterian church. Interment will be in the Robinson Run cemetery. RR

On July 2, 1947, she married Charles Cruny, who died January 22, 1998.

Surviving are a daughter, Rosemary Rush of Avella; a son, Charles M. Cruny of Washington; four grandchildren, Donald Jr. and Charles Rush and Michael and Tanya Cruny; a sister, Ida Kotnik of Granada Hills, Calif.; and a brother, Victor Bernardi of St. Clairsville, Ohio.

Deceased are two brothers, Dominic and Silvio Bernardi. WP

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. MP

Laura B. Camp Hines

Member of W. Washington UM Church was dairy worker

Laura B. Camp Hines, 62, of Washington, died Friday, July 25, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington.

She was born November 21, 1940, in Buffalo Township, a daughter of Earl William and Zelma Irene Martin Camp.

Mrs. Hines attended Hayes Avenue School in Washington and worked as an ice cream packer for Foremost Dairy in the early 1960s.

She was a member of West Washington United Methodist Church.

She was an animal lover who enjoyed birdwatching, cooking and spending time with her children.

Her first husband, Edward Roberts Sr., died May 31, 2001. Her second husband, Charles C. Hines, died March 30, 1989.

She made her home for many years with Gary Driehorst, who died February 17, 2002.

Surviving are a son, Dorsey E. Roberts Jr. of Oahu, Hawaii; three daughters, Crystal Miller, Denise M. Ullom and Pamela K. Jackson, all of Washington; three brothers, Don and Jim Camp, both of Lorain, Ohio, and Arthur Camp of Portland, Ore.; two sisters, Freda Williams of Avon Lake, Ohio, and Nordeen Seibert of Michigan; nine grandchildren, Eric Miller, Ashley, Erica, Cheryl, Katherine and Kimberly Roberts, Jenise C. Ullom and Brandi and Terrance Jackson; and a great-granddaughter.

Deceased are a brother, Edward Camp; and two sisters, Ruby DeGarmo and Helen Brewer. **CL**

Florence Slack

Former McDonald homemaker

Florence Slack, 96, of Florida, formerly of McDonald, died Tuesday, July 8, 2003, in Florida.

She was born March 29, 1907, a daughter of William and Elizabeth Tyson Redman.

Mrs. Slack was a homemaker and a member of McDonald Senior Citizens.

Her first husband, Seigfred Yost Sr., and her second husband, Elsie Slack, are deceased.

Surviving are a son, Seigfred Yost Jr. of Florida; two grandsons, Scott and Gregg Yost a great-grandson; four stepchildren, Margaret Buck, Joseph Slack, Mary Jean O'Donnell and Donna Ann Warden; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a stepdaughter Kathleen Scott Belak; a stepson, Robert Slack; two sisters, Elizabeth Sopko and Margaret Longstreth; a stepsister, Mary Hanna; and three brothers, William and Thomas Redman and James Robinson. **RR**

Dorothy K. Stevenson

World traveler owned Mary Worth's Gift Shoppe

Dorothy K. Stevenson, 98, of Royal Palm Beach, Fla., formerly of Washington, died at 10:45 p.m. Friday, July 25, 2003, in John F. Kennedy Medical Center, Atlantis, Fla.

She was born June 30, 1905, in Meadow Lands, a daughter of John Burton Kelley and Ethel Crile Kelley Ward.

After moving to Washington, Mrs. Stevenson worked for Knestrick Electric and AAA. She established Washington Travel Bureau and took over ownership of Mary Worth's Gift Shoppe.

She was a member of Church of the Covenant in Washington. She was past president of Professional Women's Association and a member of Current Events and Quotas clubs and Citizens Library board.

Mrs. Stevenson enjoyed traveling around the world, gardening, cooking, floral arranging and entertaining guests at her home, showing slides of her travels.

Surviving are a daughter, Altha Hayes of Wellington, Fla.; a grandson, James Dwight Hayes; two great-grandsons; and two sisters, Ada Martin of North Franklin Township and Nora Mae Ullom of Washington.

Deceased are her husband, William Stevenson, who died in November 1964; and three brothers, Merle, William and Ralph Kelley. **W**

Dolores Rumbaugh

Matron of McDonald Chapter of Eastern Star

Dolores (Bea) Rumbaugh, 76, of McDonald (Cecil Township), died Wednesday, August 6, 2003, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh.

She was born May 3, 1927, in McDonald, a daughter of Daniel and Rachel Bruce Smith.

Mrs. Rumbaugh was a member of Venice Presbyterian Church and Chartiers Chapter 97 of the Order of Eastern Star. She had served as matron of McDonald Chapter of Eastern Star.

Surviving are two daughters, Ruth Ann Chynoweth of McDonald and Nina Flanigan of Upper St. Clair; four sons, Edgar L. Rumbaugh of Shippenville, Jeffrey Alan and Craig Rumbaugh, both of Washington, and Lloyd Rumbaugh of McDonald; two brothers, Tom Smith of Canonsburg and George Smith of McDonald; 13 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Deceased are four sisters, Marion Shimek, Jane McKissick, Laverne Livingston and Betty Albertini; and four brothers, Daniel, John, James and William Smith. **RR**

Charles Newman

Former Fort Pitt Bridge worker was 20-year Slovan resident

Charles Newman, 54, of Slovan, formerly of Avella, died at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, July 19, 2003, in the Veteran Administration Hospital in Aspinwall.

He was born August 23, 1948, in Avella, a son of the late Alvin R. and Elizabeth C. Gordon Newman.

Mr. Newman was formerly employed by Fort Pitt Bridge.

He was a resident of Slovan for the past 20 years.

Mr. Newman was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars of Slovan and American Legion.

Surviving are a son, Matthew Newman of Slovan; three daughters, Erica Newman of McDonald, Candice Lombard of Mesa, Ariz., and Cathy Newman of Arizona; four grandchildren; two sisters, Mary Ann Laurich of Burgettstown and Diane Pillow of Pittsburgh; and a brother, John R. Newman of Oklahoma City, Okla.

Deceased are two brothers, Thomas Richard and David Alvin Newman.

Anthony Wytko

Army vet retired from Testa Machine

Anthony (Tony) Wytko, 81, of Atlasburg, died Friday, July 25, 2003, in UPMC-Shadyside hospital, Pittsburgh.

He was born February 2, 1922, in Francis Mine, a son of John and Caroline Medved Wytko.

Mr. Wytko retired from Testa Machine in Slovan in 1985.

He was a U.S. Army veteran, serving during World War II.

Mr. Wytko enjoyed gardening, fishing and hunting.

Surviving are his wife, Helen Dunkovich Wytko; a daughter, Carol Kowalski of Crafton; and two stepgrandchildren, Nicholas and Matthew Kowalski.

Deceased are a brother, Joseph Wytko; and four sisters, Kathryn Pollack, Ann McFarland, Mary Gonzalez and Rose Nodianos. **MP**

Raymond C. Pascoe

South Fayette resident

Raymond C. Pascoe, 89, of South Fayette Township, died Tuesday, August 26, 2003, in Country Meadows Healthcare Facility, South Fayette.

He was born August 5, 1914, in Oil City, a son of Joseph and Catherine Paskiewicz.

On May 15, 1945, he married Margaret Chytil, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Marilyn Y. White of Carnegie; a son, Raymond Mark Pascoe of Monroeville; and three grandchildren, Ray, Dana and Valerie Pascoe.

Mr. Pascoe was the last of his immediate family. **RR**

Nina Marie Bevec Bean

Medical records director at county health center

Nina Marie Bevec Bean, 47, of Canonsburg, died at 7:32 p.m. Saturday, July 26, 2003, in her home.

She was born August 17, 1955, in Canonsburg, a daughter of Anthony C. and Betty Jane Marino Bevec of Canonsburg.

Mrs. Bean was a member of Holy Rosary Roman Catholic Church in Muse.

She was a 1973 graduate of Canon-McMillan High School and graduated from Robert Morris College with an associate's degree in medical records.

Mrs. Bean was director of the medical records department at Washington County Health Center in Washington for 27 years.

On November 22, 1980, she married David L. Bean, who survives.

In addition to her husband and parents, surviving, are a brother, Anthony G. Bevec of Canonsburg; and two nieces, Natalie D. and Nicollette A. Bevec. **WF**

Margaret R. Chambers

Member of Chartiers Hill Presbyterian Church

Margaret R. Chambers, 79, of Canonsburg, died at 10:15 a.m. Sunday, July 27, 2003, in St. Clair Hospital, Pittsburgh.

She was born August 13, 1923, in Canonsburg, a daughter of James and Edna Ridgeon Fulton.

Mrs. Chambers was a member of Chartiers Hill Presbyterian Church, Canonsburg.

She was a homemaker.

On January 20, 1943, she married Carl C. Chambers, who died November 29, 2001.

Surviving are three daughters, Carla Esselstyn and Pamela Snodgrass, both of Canonsburg, and Becky Chambers of Pittsburgh; four grandchildren, Scott and Eric Esselstyn and Jonathan and Jacqueline Snodgrass; a great-granddaughter; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased is a brother, James Clifford Fulton.

Robert A. Dempe

McDonald resident

Robert A. Dempe, 60, of McDonald, died Saturday, August 23, 2003, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh.

He was born in Sturgeon, a son of Ethel (Kay) Dempe of McDonald and the late John P. Dempe.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are his wife, Dorea J. Allinder Dempe; two children, James and Bobbie Jo; five grandchildren; four stepchildren; eight stepgrandchildren; and several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Deceased is a brother, Jack Dempe.

Hazel Imogene Phillips

Member of Langeloth
Church of Christ

Hazel Imogene Phillips, 75, of Langeloth, died Tuesday, July 29, 2003, in Belington, W. Va.

She was born August 10, 1927, in Jollytown, a daughter of Harry Jackson and Ida Jones Taylor.

Mrs. Phillips was a homemaker and a member of Langeloth Church of Christ.

Her husband, Dennis F. Phillips, died August 1, 1993.

Surviving are two sons, Floyd Phillips of Avella and Michael Phillips of Belington; two sisters, Grace Wise and Leona Tennant; a brother, Harry Taylor; three grandchildren, Jacob, Jesse and Jenny Phillips; and four stepgrandchildren.

Deceased are four sisters and a brother.

MP

Kathy Ann Henry

West Allegheny
substitute teacher

Kathy Ann Henry, 49, of Moon, died Thursday, August 7, 2003, in her home.

She was born March 20, 1954, in New Kensington, a daughter of Glenn Jr. and Gloria Sloan Frank of Mechanicsville, Md.

Mrs. Henry was a 1972 graduate of West Allegheny High School and a graduate of Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

She worked as a substitute physical education teacher for West Allegheny School District.

On June 19, 1976, she married Gregory P. Henry, who survives.

Also surviving, in addition to her parents, are a son, Michael Henry of Coraopolis; a daughter, Kristin Henry of Moon; a sister, Deborah Bardczak of Cocoa, Fla.; and a brother, Glenn Frank III of La Plata, Md.

RR

Charlotte M. Snyder

Active in North Franklin
Volunteer Fire Company

Charlotte M. Snyder, 87, of Washington, died Friday, August 15, 2003, in Humbert Lane Health Care Center, Washington.

She was born July 16, 1916, in Claysville, a daughter of Marland and Dessie McNeel Hair.

On March 23, 1935, she married Arthur Sheldon Snyder, who died January 7, 2001.

Surviving are two sons, Jerry Snyder of Taylorstown and Art Snyder of Amity; four daughters, Dale Mangin and Bonnie Patress, both of Washington, Darlene Pull of Springport, Mich., and Connie Withrow of Fayetteville, W. Va.; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Deceased is a brother, Merle Hair.

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Dolores Rohr Kostick

Salesclerk at Open Pantry

Dolores Joyce Rohr Kostick, 75, of Washington, died Wednesday, August 6, 2003, in her home following a lengthy illness.

She was born in Lewistown, a daughter of Stephen and Isabelle Pizor Rohr.

Mrs. Kostick attended Avella High School and worked as a salesclerk for many years at Open Pantry in Washington and at Hallmark in Washington Mall.

She was an avid reader, a Steelers fan and had been a longtime Pirates fan. She enjoyed spending time with her family and grandchildren.

On December 20, 1946, in Cleveland, Ohio, she married Francis Kostick, who died January 30, 1995.

Surviving are a son, Curt Kostick of Washington; a daughter, Leslie Harrah of Washington; and two grandchildren, Katie and Mandy Harrah.

WP

James A. Guzell

Retired from Washington
International Trucking



James Allen Guzell, 62, of Washington, died unexpectedly at 10:15 a.m. Sunday, August 10, 2003, in his home.

He was born September 20, 1940, in Canonsburg, a son of Alex and Anna Kutch Guzell.

Mr. Guzell was a 1959 graduate of Canonsburg High School.

He was a peacetime veteran of the U.S. Army, serving for three years.

Mr. Guzell retired in October 2000 from Washington International Trucking, where he worked for 37 years. At the time of his retirement, he was the parts department manager.

He was a member of American Legion Post 175, where he was past commander.

Mr. Guzell enjoyed sports and his grandchildren.

Surviving are his wife, Joanne Kirch Grove Guzell; two sons, James A. Guzell II of Hickory and Robert E. Guzell of Claysville; a daughter, Linda M. White of Hickory; a stepdaughter, Deborah A. Humphries of Washington; a stepson, Robert J. Grove of Washington; a brother, Larry E. Guzell of Canonsburg; three grandchildren, Heather M. Guzell, and Allison M. and Amanda N. White; and two stepgrandchildren, Derek W. and Danielle N. Humphreys.

Deceased is a brother, Robert Guzell.

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Mildred Jean Jolley

West Alexander nurse
enjoyed doll making

Mildred Jean Jolley, 64, of West Alexander, died Sunday, August 10, 2003, in her home.

She was born March 15, 1939, in Donegal Township, a daughter of the late William Andrew and Thelma L. Miller Bonar.

Mrs. Jolley was a member of West Alexander Presbyterian Church, where she served as deacon and elder.

She was a 1957 graduate of West Alexander High School and received her nursing degree in 1960 from Ohio Valley Hospital School of Nursing in Wheeling, W. Va.

Mrs. Jolley was employed as a registered nurse at Belmont Community Hospital, Bellaire, Ohio, and previously worked for 30 years at Ohio Valley Medical Center in Wheeling, where she was a member of the Quarter Century Club.

She was a member of Smocking Arts Guild, Three Rivers Miniatures Club, Seeley's Doll Artisan Guild, National Duncan Miller Society and Ohio Nurses Association.

Mrs. Jolley enjoyed teaching porcelain doll making and heirloom sewing, traveling and gardening.

On May 11, 1961, in the West Alexander United Methodist Church parsonage, she married Charles R. Jolley, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Chris Jolley of West Alexander; a sister, Mary Jane Hartman of Shipperville; four nephews; and two nieces.

A brother, William R. Bonar, is deceased.

WA

Francis J. Linkesh

Member of Lower Buffalo
Presbyterian Church

Francis J. Linkesh, 61, of Avella, died at 5:15 a.m. Saturday, August 9, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

He was born May 2, 1942, in Carnegie, a son of Joseph and Mary Jane Jonocha Linkesh.

Mr. Linkesh was a member of Lower Buffalo Presbyterian Church, where he served as a trustee for many years.

He was a resident of Avella for 33 years.

On August 7, 1965, he married Frances Knepper, who survives.

Also surviving are a brother, Roger Linkesh; a niece, Dawn M. Mays; and a nephew, Joseph M. Linkesh.

Deceased is a brother, Joseph F. Linkesh.

Services will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Lower Buffalo Presbyterian Church, 54 Campground Road, Avella, PA 15312.

William T. Allison

WWII vet was W&J grad



William Tucker Allison, 90, of Woodlands Village, Washington, formerly of East Washington, died Saturday, August

9, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

He was born June 17, 1913, in Washington, a son of Albert Johnson and Etta Tucker Allison.

Mr. Allison was a lifelong member of First Presbyterian Church of Washington.

He attended East Washington grade and high schools, Staunton Military Academy and was a 1936 graduate of Washington & Jefferson College.

Mr. Allison was a veteran of World War II, serving as a lieutenant junior grade with the office of Navy Inspection in Detroit, Mich.

He worked in sales with Universal Cyclops Steel, Tygart Valley Glass Co. and Fairmont Supply Co.

In June 1944, he married Mary Virginia McCarrell, who died December 14, 1979.

On November 22, 1980, he married Elizabeth Duncan, who died June 21, 2003.

Surviving are two sons, William Tucker Allison Jr. of Washington and Robert McCarrell Allison of Binningen, Switzerland; a daughter, Jane Rainey of Eastham, Mass.; a brother, Jonathan "Brick" Allison of Washington; two stepchildren, Duncan Parkinson of Washington and Mary Parkinson Pankopf of Midland, Mich.; two grandchildren, James Tucker Rainey and Rebecca C. Rainey; four stepgrandchildren, Eric Parkinson, Kirsten Pankopf Ruzicka, Duncan Pankopf and Kathryn (Kate) Pankopf; and a stepgreat-granddaughter.

Deceased are a brother, Albert J. Allison Jr.; and two sisters, Sara Litle and Mary Allison.

W

James Stephens Sr.

Raised and trained
exotic animals

James "Big Ed" Stephens Sr., 63, of Avella, died at 6:36 a.m. Saturday, August 23, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

He was born June 18, 1940, in New York, a son of John E. and Mary Ryan Stephens.

For the past 25 years, Mr. Stephens lived in the Hickory area. Since 1986, he raised and trained exotic animals on his farm in Woodrow.

On May 11, 1960, he married Ruth Adele Matesich, who died July 10, 1997.

Surviving are a son, James Edward Stephens Jr. of Donora; and a grandson, Lucas.

Deceased is a daughter, Mary Beth Stephens.

MP

FORT CHERRY TEACHER

Stanley L. Simpson Jr.

WWII Navy veteran retired from railroad

Stanley L. Simpson Jr., 82, of McDonald, died Monday, August 11, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born November 1, 1920, a son of Stanley L. Sr. and Iva Jean Charlier Simpson.

Mr. Simpson was an executive purchasing agent for Pittsburgh and West Virginia Railroad for 35 years before retiring in 1961.

During World War II, he served in the U.S. Navy.

He was a member of Noblestown Methodist Church and Chartiers Lodge 297 F&AM in Canonsburg.

Mr. Simpson enjoyed carpentry and built several homes.

On May 25, 1939, he married Margaret Elizabeth (Peggy) Eckels, who died November 5, 1995.

Surviving are a son, Stanley L. Simpson III of Savannah, Ga.; a daughter, Jo Etta L. Motte of Midway; three sisters, Jean Crown of Upper St. Clair, Virginia Owen of Fort Wayne, Ind., and Esther Cheesebrough of Oakdale; six grandchildren, Robert Cooper, Peggy McAnany, Robert N. Motte Jr. and Megan, Stanley L. IV and Joseph M. Simpson; and 10 great-grandchildren.

A son, David D. Simpson, is deceased.

RR

Thomas E. Clutter

Retired press operator for Penn Manufacturing

Thomas E. Clutter, 78, of Washington, died Sunday, August 17, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

He was born November 17, 1924, in Cameron, W. Va., a son of Clarence and Hannah Staley Clutter.

Mr. Clutter was employed for more than 40 years as a press operator for Penn Manufacturing, until retiring in 1984.

He was a member of Friendship Community Church.

On November 3, 1943, he married Dorothy Crawford, who died October 28, 1994.

Mr. Clutter's caregiver and companion was Dorothy Moore of Washington.

Surviving are a daughter, Barbara P. Aloia of Washington; two sisters, Nellie Sampson and Mable Anderson, both of West Virginia; two granddaughters, Tracy A. Hummell and Michele L. Aloia; and two great-grandsons.

Mr. Clutter was the last of his immediate family.

Deceased are five brothers, William, Walter, Albert, Hershel and Clarence Clutter; and three sisters, Alice Cogley, Virginia Riggs and Naomi Clutter who died in infancy.

NB

Lynette M. Rogers

Washington homemaker enjoyed quilting, reading

Lynette M. Rogers, 74, of Washington, formerly of Thomas Campbell Apartments, Washington, died unexpectedly Monday, August 11, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born March 27, 1929, in Clarksville, Ariz., a daughter of Lynn and Erna Cowan Mooney.

Mrs. Rogers attended Wolfdale Bible Church.

She was a homemaker and enjoyed quilting, traveling, reading and spending time with her grandchildren.

On February 28, 1946, in Washington, she married MacDonal Rogers, who died July 3, 1972.

Surviving are three sons, Kenneth Wayne, Lee Roy and Stanley L. Rogers, all of Washington; a brother, Joe Mooney of Hayfork, Calif.; a sister, Marvie Brown of Clarksville, Ariz.; 10 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Deceased is a daughter, Linda F. Rogers.

CL

Samuel M. Wood Sr.

Retired Millcraft Industries draftsman

Samuel M. Wood Sr., 85, of West Alexander, died Wednesday, August 13, 2003, in his home.

He was born June 19, 1918, in Bear Rock Farm, Ohio County, W. Va., a son of Samuel P. Wood and Margaret M. Cook.

Mr. Wood served in the U.S. Air Force during World War II in the China Burma India Theater as a staff sergeant and crew chief for the 25th and 89th Fighter squadrons.

In his younger days he was active as a West Alexander volunteer fireman and Cub Scout leader and was a dartball scorekeeper in the community.

Mr. Wood was a member of American Legion Post 656 of West Alexander and Washington BPO Elks Lodge.

He was always a woodworker and had a garden full of flowers and vegetables, which he shared.

Mr. Wood retired from Millcraft Industries in Washington as a draftsman.

His wife of 55 years, Margaret Hopkins Woods, survives.

Surviving are three sisters, Ivie Blayney of Meadville, Aldean Billick of Triadelphia, W. Va., and Martha Ellis of Pittsburgh; a brother, Thomas Wood of Ravenna, Ohio; four children, David F. Wood of Daytona Beach, Fla., John N. Wood of Washington, Samuel M. Wood Jr. of Claysville and Cynthia Sue Wood of Chicago, Ill.; and six grandchildren, Stacey M. Wood, Brent Hopkins Wood, Ian Logan Wood, Elizabeth Aubree Wood, Amanda Kate Warco and Lydia Alexis Warco.

WA

Dorothy Grant Dunn

Retired Canonsburg elementary school teacher

Dorothy Grant Dunn, 92, formerly of West College Street, Canonsburg, died Monday, August 11, 2003, in McMurray Hills Manor, McMurray.

She was born April 28, 1911, in Canonsburg, a daughter of Robert L. and Nellie Van Eman Grant.

Mrs. Dunn was a 1929 graduate of Canonsburg High School and a 1933 graduate of Westminster College.

She taught fifth grade at First Street Elementary School in Canonsburg for more than 17 years before retirement.

Mrs. Dunn was a member of Canonsburg United Presbyterian Church, where she served as an elder, trustee and deacon, taught Sunday school and for more than 50 years sang in the choir.

On June 21, 1951, she married James W. Dunn, who died February 2, 2000.

Surviving are a son, James Grant Dunn of Canonsburg; three grandchildren, Adam, Brittany and Jamie Dunn; two stepgrandchildren, Bryan and Bryanna Boughter; and a stepgreat-grandson.

A sister, Margaret Grant, is deceased.

OS

Mary Helen Farrar

Former sales clerk, seamstress for J.C. Penney



Mary Helen Farrar, 88, of Washington, died at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, August 19, 2003, in Allegheny General

Hospital, Pittsburgh.

She born October 2, 1914, in Independence, Mo., a daughter of Robert and Alice Brownlee McCalmont.

A 1932 graduate of Trinity High School, she enjoyed quilting, crocheting and knitting.

On August 18, 1938, she married Ralph Farrar, who died in 1961.

Surviving are two sons, John Farrar of Washington and Thomas Farrar of Blacksville, W. Va.; two daughters, Patricia Richardson of Fort Pierce, Fla., and Nancy Singleton of Mandeville, La.; three sisters, Edith Miller of Washington, Jean Mazza of Washington and Lela Keenan of Washington; 11 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, William Farrar; a brother, Robert McCalmont; and a sister, Anna Carl.

WM

William H. Varner Jr.

Enjoyed bowling, flying airplanes



William H. Varner Jr., 67, of Claysville, died Monday, August 11, 2003, in his home.

He was born September 27,

1935, in Morgantown, W. Va., a son of William H. and Lottie M. Breese Varner.

Mr. Varner was Protestant. He was a plant manager for National Sugar in Cincinnati, Ohio, and later worked for Valley Lincoln Mercury in Wheeling, W. Va.

He enjoyed bowling, poker, hunting, fishing, parachuting and flying airplanes.

On August 11, 1959, he married Nancy J. Plants Varner, who died May 14, 2000.

Surviving are two sons, William D. and Harold S. Varner, both of Cincinnati; five daughters, Leann D. Sutterfield and Brenda J. Varner, both of Claysville, Karen D. Crouse of Wheeling and Kathy D. Holler and Tammy L. Painter, both of Cincinnati; two sisters, Doris Ireland of Harrisburg and Kay Miller of St. Petersburg, Fla.; 13 grandchildren, Misty, Jessica, Sodonna, Brian, Stephanie, Christina, Tommy, Carrie, Jenna, Julie, Tiffany, Brett and Nicole; and four great-grandchildren.

Deceased are four brothers.

CL

Margaret Robbins

McDonald resident

Margaret Rehak Robbins, 91, of McDonald, died Thursday, August 14, 2003, in her home at Haveloch Commons, McDonald.

She was born May 29, 1912, in McDonald, a daughter of Peter and Phoebe Smith Deichler.

Mrs. Robbins was a retired sales clerk for Ohio Ceramics.

Her first husband, Joseph Rehak, and her second husband, Clifford Robbins, are deceased.

Surviving are two sons, Joseph Rehak of McDonald and David Rehak of Mentor, Ohio; a daughter, Sharon Goettle of Louisville, Ohio; five grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; three sisters, Ellen Pusateri, Gertrude Donelli and Audrey Curiale; and two brothers, George and Harry Deichler.

Deceased are three brothers, William, Joseph and James Deichler; a sister who died in infancy; two grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

RR

William W. Guess Jr.

West Alexander man was
World War II veteran

William W. (Bill) Guess Jr., 76, of West Alexander, died Saturday, August 17, 2003, in his home.

He was born October 18, 1926, in Donegal Township, a son of Wray and Eleanor Hertig Guess.

Mr. Guess formerly was a farmer. He retired from National Annealing Box in Washington and Burns Security in Pittsburgh.

He served in the U.S. Army near the end of World War II and was a member of American Legion Post 656 in West Alexander.

His wife of 53 years, Jean Galentine Guess, survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Jay Guess of York, Andy Guess of Coppell, Texas, and Ted Guess of West Alexander; a daughter, Ann Cosner of West Alexander; a brother, J.P. Guess of Greensburg; two sisters, Nene North and Mary Ann McAdoo, both of West Alexander; six grandchildren, Dae, Christina and Joseph Guess, Ashley Cosner and Garrett and Alex Guess; two great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased is a granddaughter, Tiffany Guess, who died in August 1976.

Isabella M. Spinosa

Volunteer for St. Patrick
Church

Isabella M. Spinosa, 87, of Canonsburg, died at 1:45 a.m. Thursday, August 21, 2003.

She was born April 4, 1916, in Hendersonville, a daughter of Stanley and Anna Kazakaitis Zemaitsis.

On July 13, 1946, in St. Mary of Mercy Church in Pittsburgh, she married Elio Spinosa, who died March 25, 2002.

Surviving are two daughters, Isabella Livolsi of Canonsburg and Janice Bell of Washington; a son, Wayne Spinosa of Carmel, Ind.; two sisters, Violet Barnhart of Washington and Betty Kralik of Pittsburgh; three brothers, George Zemaitsis of Canonsburg, Thomas Zemaitsis of Allison Park and William Zemaitsis of Highland, Ind.; 11 grandchildren, Jeffrey and Kevin Livolsi, Laura and Cara Spinosa, Michelle and Alexander Bell, Cheryl Sanders, Aaron and Jennifer Spinosa, Christina Debski and Nathaniel Bell; and four great-grandchildren.

Deceased are three sisters, Helen Durkas, Margaret Arcure and Lucy Borello; and two brothers, Edward and Charles Zemaitsis.

St. Patrick Cem.

Henry Smutny

Atlasburg carpenter

Henry Smutny, 74, of Atlasburg, died Saturday, August 23, 2003, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh.

He was born November 23, 1928, in Cedar Grove, a son of Stanley Sr. and Mary Foite Smutny.

Prior to retirement, Mr. Smutny was a carpenter for more than 50 years with Carpenters Local 230 in Pittsburgh.

He was a member of St. Hilary Roman Catholic Church in Washington, Spinning Gears Square Dance Club of Weirton, W. Va., Dip and Dive Square Dance in Steubenville, Ohio, and Burgettstown Senior Citizens.

On October 4, 1952, he married Betty Bebo, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Sharon Ann Baillie of Burgettstown and Judy Maltony of Eldersville; and four granddaughters, Katie and Ellen Baillie and Alycia and Colleen Maltony.

Deceased are two brothers, Albert and Stanley Smutny; and a sister, Amelia Matusek.

MP

Anna R. Weishner

Member of Calvary Temple

Anna Robertson Weishner, 96, formerly of Canonsburg, died Sunday, August 24, 2003, in Strabane Woods of Washington.

She was born October 9, 1906, a daughter of Steven and Anna Bedner Oskie.

Mrs. Weishner was a member of Calvary Temple in Washington.

She was twice married. Her first husband, William Robertson, died in 1955; her second husband, John Weishner, died in 1993.

Surviving are six grandchildren, Patricia Jones, Sally Russo, Lucinda Blum and Bill, Dave and Dan Jones; 12 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a daughter, Ann Jones; three sisters, Josephine Woods, Marie Ward and Stella Sophie McAnany; and a brother, John Frank Oskie.

OS

Leona M. Butcher

Bulger homemaker

Leona M. Butcher, 83, of Bulger, died Friday, August 22, 2003, in Country Meadows Nursing Home, Bridgeville.

She was born September 12, 1919, in Bulger, a daughter of Marceau and Kathryn Hermes Lecouvre.

Mrs. Butcher was a 1936 graduate of Burgettstown High School.

She was a homemaker and a member of St. Ann Roman Catholic Church in Bulger.

Mrs. Butcher enjoyed reading novels.

On May 10, 1943, she married James W. Butcher Sr., who survives.

Also surviving are a son, James W. "Butch" Butcher Jr. of Ambridge; a daughter, Kathy Thomas of Bulger; two brothers, Leonard Lecouvre of San Diego, Calif., and Ronald Lecouvre of Bridgeville; a sister, Rose Marie Dellapina of Mt. Lebanon; and a grandson, Joshua Thomas.

Deceased is a brother, Donald Lecouvre.

RR

Lori Lynn Gatten

Assistant manager
at Northwest Savings Bank



Lori Lynn Gatten, 39, of West Alexander, died Thursday, August 28, 2003, in Washington Hospital, following a brief illness.

She was born October 6, 1963, in Washington, a daughter of William F. McAdoo Sr. of West Alexander and the late Peggy Ann Newman McAdoo.

Mrs. Gatten was a member of West Alexander Christian Church and was a 1981 graduate of McGuffey High School.

On February 6, 1988, in West Alexander Christian Church, with the Rev. Oliver Burd officiating, she married J. Douglas Gatten, who survives.

Surviving, in addition to her husband and father, are a son, Jordan Guy Gatten, at home; a stepson, Dustin Douglas Gatten of Seattle, Wash.; a stepdaughter, Megan Leigh Gatten Pochiba of Claysville; two brothers, William F. McAdoo Jr. of West Alexander and Scott D. McAdoo of Washington; her maternal grandmother, Mary Shivers of West Alexander; two stepgranddaughters, Alex and Sydney Pochiba; and a niece and three nephews.

Deceased are paternal grandparents, Orval and Kate McAdoo; maternal grandfather, James Shivers; and maternal stepgrandfather, Benjamin Shivers.

WA

Frank C. Turk Sr.

Westland resident served
in U.S. Navy during WWII



Frank Charles Turk Sr., 78, of Westland, died at 10 a.m. Tuesday, August 26, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital. He had been ill

since January.

He was born May 19, 1925, in Canonsburg, a son of George F. and Ida Kovace Turk.

Mr. Turk was a member of North Buffalo Presbyterian Church.

He was employed by Fort Pitt Bridge Works as a structural fitter.

Mr. Turk enjoyed fly fishing.

He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, receiving the American Area Ribbon and Victory Medal.

On October 12, 1957, he married Clara Bell Russell, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Frank Charles Turk Jr. of Westland; and a daughter, Cheryl Bertosa of Parma, Ohio.

Deceased are a son, Joseph George Turk; five brothers, Joseph, Michael, Andy, Steve and George Turk; and three sisters, Ida Kapkowski, Elizabeth Barbosky and Agnes Gubasko.

NB

Sarah E. Menichi

Registered nurse
from Hickory



Sarah E. (Betty) Menichi, 78, of Hickory, died at 2:50 a.m. Thursday, August 28, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington.

She was born July 22, 1925, in New Kensington; a daughter of Buford A. and Elva Viola Troutman Chambers.

Mrs. Menichi attended St. Patrick Church in Canonsburg.

She was a graduate of New Kensington High School and Sewickley Valley Hospital School of Nursing.

On October 24, 1953, she married Louis E. Menichi, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, David E. Menichi of Coraopolis; two daughters, Lynnette E. Ligman of McMurray and Patrice S. Johnstonbaugh of Venetia; a brother, Edward Chambers of Indianapolis, Ind.; two sisters, Elva M. Vucetich of Tampa, Fla., and Donna L. Meyer of Idaho Falls, Idaho; eight grandchildren, Daniel, Adam, Matthew and Kaitlyn Ligman, Ryan and Shane Johnstonbaugh and Heidi and Tim Gross; and many nieces and nephews.

MP

MARRIED FIRST MARSHA FILAVRO AND SECOND CAROL ANN NESTOR

Joseph W. Kelso Sr.

Canon-McMillan graduate enjoyed deer hunting

Joseph Wayne Kelso Sr., 46, of Washington, died Thursday, August 28, 2003, in his home.

He was born October 3, 1956, in McDonald, a son of Kenneth K. and Mae Plance Kelso.

Mr. Kelso was a graduate of Canon-McMillan High School.

He enjoyed deer hunting and the outdoors.

Surviving are a son, Joseph Wayne Kelso Jr., who lives with his mother in Belington, W. Va.; three sisters, Mary Jean Milbower of Canonsburg, Janet Marie Curtis of Melbourne, Fla., and Evelyn M. Hill of Weirton, W. Va.; and a brother, Kenneth M. Kelso of Driftwood.

Visitation will be held from 1 until 2 p.m., Saturday, September 13, the time of a memorial service, in Venice Presbyterian Church, with the Rev. Craig Kephart officiating.

John A. McCoy

Longtime carpenter served in WWII

John A. McCoy, 84, of Claysville, formerly of Taylorstown, died Friday, August 29, 2003, in Presbyterian Medical Center, Washington, following a brief illness.

A son of Boyd Emory and Pearl Marie McKeen McCoy, he was born March 8, 1919, in Pancake on McCoy Lane, where he lived for six years.

After attending Taylorstown schools, Mr. McCoy served in the U.S. Navy during World War II from 1943 to 1945 in the Pacific and European theaters.

He was a longtime carpenter who worked for various companies in the Pittsburgh and Washington areas, last at McAnallen Brothers, before retiring in 1981. He was a member of Carpenter Local 541 for more than 50 years.

Mr. McCoy had attended East Buffalo Presbyterian Church as well as Calvary Baptist Church.

On September 5, 1940, he married Helen Marie Kendall, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, James Kenneth and John Mark McCoy, both of Washington; a daughter, Dale McCoy Kelley of Raleigh, N.C.; a brother, James E. McCoy of Washington; five grandchildren, Todd and Christopher Kelley, Carrie Ann McCoy Carpenter and Ashley Nicolle and Amanda Marie McCoy; and three great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a daughter, Ellen Marie McCoy, who died as a child; a grandson, James K. McCoy II; a brother, Delbert Glenn McCoy; and a sister, Lucy Pearl McCoy.

Raymond J. Hagerman

Owner of Hagerman's Tavern in Midland

Raymond J. "Keyhole" Hagerman, 71, of North Main Street, Houston, died Saturday, August 30, 2003, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh.

He was born August 14, 1932, in Midland (Chartiers Township), a son of Albert and Adrienne Nougier Hagerman.

Mr. Hagerman was the owner and operator of Hagerman's Tavern in Midland.

He was a member of Polanka Sportsman's Club, Moose Lodge 22 in Washington, Slovak Club in Canonsburg, Canonsburg Sportsman's Club, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 553 in Strabane and American Legion Post 902 in Houston.

On May 3, 1958, he married Carol Lombardo who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Raymond J. "JuJu" Hagerman Jr. of Houston; a daughter, Millie Kovatch of Washington; two grandsons, John and Colt Kovatch; a sister, Yvonne Smith of Alachua, Fla.; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are three brothers, Donald, Albert and Morris Hagerman; a sister, Anna Adams; and three sisters who died in infancy, Mildred and twins Doris and Deloris.

OS

Rebecca E. Dennis

Member of Full Gospel Assembly



Rebecca E. Dennis, 80, of Washington, died at 8 p.m. Sunday, August 31, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born August 28, 1923, in Ward, W. Va., a daughter of John T. and Mary B. Harmon Holloway.

Mrs. Dennis was a member of Full Gospel Assembly.

She enjoyed spending time with her family.

Her husband, John Leroy Dennis, died December 28, 1987.

Surviving are five children, John Leroy Dennis of Massillon, Ohio, Carol Lowery of Houston, Barbara Kaposy and Sandra Rush, both of Washington, and Timothy Lee Dennis of Rayland, Ohio; 23 grandchildren; 36 great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Freda Bauduin of McDonald and Helen Osterman of Bridgeville.

Deceased are a daughter, Linda Arnold; an infant son, Donald Ray; five brothers, Houston, Benjamin, Eugene, Robert and Ernest Holloway; three sisters, Ellie, Emma Sorais and Mary Kokins; four half sisters, Mary Ann, Ada and Ella Holloway and Susie Ballard; and two half brothers, John Andrew and William Thomas Holloway.

WM

Bernard Palette

U.S. Navy veteran



Bernard (Bennie) Palette, 78, of Washington, died Monday, September 1, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

He was born February 16, 1925, in Houston, a son of John and Lucy Spin Palette.

Mr. Palette was a 1945 graduate of Chartiers-Houston High School.

He served in the U.S. Navy Amphibious Corps from 1943 until 1946 aboard LST No. 230, taking part in the first-wave landing at Normandy and serving in southern France.

Mr. Palette worked for Lightning Express as a truck driver in the tri-state area for 31 years.

He enjoyed attending professional football and baseball games and had been an avid golfer.

Mr. Palette appreciated Christian fellowship and prayers.

His last few years were spent physically impaired.

Surviving are a brother, Anthony Palette of Canonsburg; and two sisters, Marian Marasco Russo of Lawrence and Joan Marasco of Washington.

Deceased are two brothers, Frank (Gene) and Joe "Napper" Palette; and three sisters, Theresa Palette, Rose Cancilla and Thelma (Flora) Cancilla.

OS

Anna Bordo

Member of St. Alphonsus Church, McDonald

Anna Bordo, 89, of McDonald, died Wednesday, September 3, 2003, in Mariner Health Care, Coraopolis.

She was born August 30, 1914, in Bunola, a daughter of John and Elizabeth Semko.

Mrs. Bordo was a member of St. Alphonsus Roman Catholic Church in McDonald.

Her husband, Frank Bordo Sr., is deceased.

Surviving are four sons, Frank Jr. of Oklahoma, William and John of McDonald and Robert Bordo of Clinton; a daughter, Joann Behling of Cecil; 10 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; two brothers, John Semko of Pittsburgh and Mike Semko of Virginia; and three sisters, Margaret Lype of Pittsburgh, Helen Champ of Monongahela and Susanne Gosiliak of McDonald.

Deceased are two sons, Joseph and George Bordo; and two sisters, Elizabeth Turk and Mary Giovanucci.

RR

Norma J. Sprowls

Former Washington resident

Norma J. Sprowls, 66, of Tampa, Fla., formerly of Washington, died Wednesday, September 3, 2003, in her home.

She was born March 25, 1937, in Washington, a daughter of Floyd and Mary Wilson Nestor.

Mrs. Sprowls was a member of Amity United Methodist Church.

In 1955, she married James C. Sprowls, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, James C. Sprowls Jr. of Amity and Floyd Sprowls of Marianna; four daughters, Glenda Jenkins of Washington, Robin Mohler of Tampa, Cathy Scopel of McDonald and Donna Dye of Fort Myers, Fla.; a brother, James Nestor of Connecticut; two sisters, Ruth Pecharka of Canonsburg and Betty Miller of Washington; nine

grandchildren, James C. III, Jamie and Cindy Sprowls, Robert, Joseph and Jennifer Jenkins, Tiffany and Heather Scopel and Rane Dye; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a brother, Ross Nestor; and a sister, June Sollar.

OS

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.

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 Piazzone.

FL

James E. Lowe

Lifelong Avella resident was Vietnam veteran

James E. Lowe, 64, of Avella, died at 12:45 a.m. Monday, September 8, 2003, in his home.

He was born April 1, 1939, in Avella, a son of the late Roy and Eva Dale Phillips Lowe.

During the Vietnam War, Mr. Lowe served in the U.S. Army 82nd Airborne.

He worked as a truck driver for Pat Garrett Trucking of Monaca for 26 years, retiring in 1992.

Mr. Lowe was a lifelong resident of Avella.

He was a member of Bert C. Siders American Legion Post 643, SNPJ Lodge 292 and Polar Star Mutual Benefit Society, all of Avella.

On June 17, 1967, he married Jane L. Piatt Lowe, who survives.

Also surviving are four sons, Michael, William, Stephen and Shaun Lowe, all of Avella; 10 grandchildren; a brother, George David Lowe of Weirton, W. Va.; and two sisters, Sandra Yost of Follansbee, W. Va., and Sheila DeLucca of Rayland, Ohio.

Deceased are a brother, William Lowe; and a sister, Linda Lowe. **I**

Josephine Pell Gray

Accomplished pianist and piano teacher

Josephine Pell Gray, 88, Arlington Avenue, Washington, died Monday, September 8, 2003, in Horizon Senior Care, Canonsburg.

She was born November 20, 1914, in Houston, a daughter of Joseph and Mary Rose Pell.

Mrs. Gray was a 1934 graduate of Canonsburg High School.

Prior to retiring in 1963, she had worked as a bookkeeper for the former Blue Star Potato Chip factory in Houston for 14 years.

Mrs. Gray was a member of First United Methodist Church of Houston, where she had been the choir director for many years.

She was an accomplished pianist and taught piano lessons.

On April 21, 1964, she married Robert B. Gray, who survives.

Also surviving are a sister, Dolores Meredith of Washington; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are four sisters, Nancy Sallar, Rose Ellen Dernoshak, Frances Stanko and Estella Pell. **OS**

Jane Frances Ivory

Elementary school teacher

Jane Frances Ivory, 75, of McDonald, died Tuesday, September 9, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington.

She was born February 28, 1928, in Cleveland, Ohio, a daughter of Charles and Frances Loehr Marshall.

Mrs. Ivory received a bachelor of science degree in elementary education from Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

She worked as a first-grade teacher in Fort Cherry School District for more than 25 years before retiring in 1993. During her career, she taught at Hickory, Robinson and Fort Cherry elementary schools.

John Henry Ivory, who died April 19, 1974.

Surviving are a son, William M. Ivory of Virginia Beach, Va.; two daughters, Cathleen M. Ivory of Washington and Carolyn I. Libert of McDonald; a brother, John C. Marshall of San Diego, Calif.; six grandchildren, Laura L., John I. and Benjamin F. Libert, Timothy L. and Andrew L. Lynch and Christopher M. Ivory; and two stepgreat-grandchildren.

St. Mary's Cemetery, Cecil.

James E. Miller Sr.

WWII vet was member of Claysville Christian Church



James Earl Miller Sr., 79, of Independence Township, died Saturday, August 30, 2003, in his home following a brief illness.

He was born February 11, 1924, in Donegal Township, a son of Edgar McCreey and Hazel Dean McVay Miller.

Mr. Miller attended West Alexander schools and served in the U.S. Army Air Forces during World War II, receiving the American Service Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal and World War II Victory Medal.

He retired from Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, having been a Washington County dog law enforcement officer for 20 years.

On August 14, 1943, in Anadarko, Okla., he married Dorothy Jean Epton, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, James Earl "Bud" Jr. and Raymond (Jake) Miller, both of Claysville; three daughters, Eva Jean Naylor of Claysville, Judith Kay Ware of Washington and Dorothy Ann Margaria of Avella; a brother, Edgar Miller of Washington; two sisters, Opal Smith of Elm Grove, W. Va., and Hazel Fulks of Ukiah, Calif.; 12 grandchildren, David Ingram, Brenda Murray, Beverly Foringer, James Howard Rawle, Stephen Miller, James Earl Miller III, Megan Miller, Michael and Lori Naylor, Andrew Miller and Jasmine and Marlana Margaria; and three great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a brother, Raymond Miller; and two sisters, Thelma Smith and Ruby Pearl Miller. **WA**

Margaret E. Ersek

McDonald homemaker enjoyed gardening

Margaret E. Ersek, 82, of McDonald, died Saturday, September 6, 2003, in her son's home in McDonald.

She was born August 15, 1921, in Mt. Lebanon, a daughter of Lawrence and Victoria Schultz Kohlmyer.

Mrs. Ersek was a homemaker. She enjoyed gardening, painting around her home and playing bingo.

On May 31, 1941, she married Theodore J. Ersek, who died December 16, 1974.

Surviving are a son, Theodore J. Ersek Jr. of McDonald; a daughter, Carol J. Ersek of Allison Park; a brother, Terrence Kohlmyer of Zelenople; a sister, Norma Marotto of Kirwan Heights; five grandchildren, Theodore J. Ersek III, Terry L. Ersek, Amanda M. Wade, Melinda A. Charneco and Douglas M. Hennon; and eight great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two brothers, Raymond Kohlmyer and Robert Kohlmyer. **RR**

Roy L. Cooper

Vice president of Marta/Metroplex



Roy L. Cooper, 64, of Washington, formerly of Carlsbad, Calif., died Thursday, September 11, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born February 26, 1939, in Algood, Tenn., a son of the late Woodrow Wilson and Ruby Buck Cooper.

Mr. Cooper was a member of the Presbyterian church in Algood, where he served for many years as deacon.

He was a graduate of Algood High School and attended Tennessee Tech University.

Mr. Cooper was vice president of Marta/Metroplex of Eighty Four and had served in the Army National Guard for 12 years.

He was a member of Moose Lodge 22 of Washington.

On January 17, 1957, in Celina, Tenn., he married Judy A. Burgess, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Michael L. Cooper of Vienna, Va.; two daughters, Lisa Dianne Moran of Darien, Wis., and Catherine Chapman of Vienna; a brother, Ron Cooper of Nashville, Tenn.; a sister, Joyce Herron of Cookeville, Tenn.; and several nieces and nephews.

A son, Keith Cooper, is deceased. **WF**

CORRECTION

INCORRECT information was provided for the obituary of Jane Frances Ivory, published Wednesday. A daughter should have been listed as Cathleen M. Lynch of Washington.

Wilmina Fulmer

Worked for many years at McDonald grocery

Wilmina (Minnie) Fulmer, 92, of McDonald, died Friday, September 12, 2003, in McMurray Hills Manor, McMurray.

She was born February 15, 1911, in McDonald, a daughter of Emile and Elizabeth Steinheiser Dehoux.

Mrs. Fulmer worked for many years at the former Harris Grocery Store in McDonald.

She was a member of Calvary Presbyterian Church, McDonald.

Surviving are a daughter, Barbara Cimarolli of McDonald; a son, Ray Fulmer of McDonald; four grandchildren, Don and Linda Cimarolli and Scott and Missy Fulmer; and two great-grandchildren.

Deceased is her husband, Raymond Fulmer.

Also deceased are two sisters, Mary Palmiter and Helen Welsh. **RR**

William Takah Jr.

Worked for Wheeling-Pitt at Steubenville plant

William Takah Jr., 66, a lifelong resident of Bethel Ridge Road, Avella, died Tuesday, September 16, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington, following complications of kidney disease.

He was born June 26, 1937, in Avella, a son of William and Mary Fotovich Takah.

Mr. Takah retired from Wheeling Pittsburgh Steel Corp. He had worked at the Steubenville North Plant in the car-repair shop.

He was a member of Jehovah's Witnesses Congregation in Follansbee, W. Va.

His wife, Joyce Bertovich Takah, survives.

Also surviving is a sister, June Barnes of Perry Hall, Md. **BE**

William Bardella Sr.

Member of American
Legion Post 643

William A. Bardella Sr., 78, of Charleroi, formerly of Avella, died at 2:22 p.m. Saturday, September 13, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

He was born March 13, 1925, in Avella, a son of Paul E. and Rose Pepperine Bardella.

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

He was a member of Avella Presbyterian Church, Avella Sportsman and American Legion Post 643 in Avella.

Surviving are two daughters, Deborah Bardella of Charleroi and Tina Rucci of Avella; three sons, William A. Bardella Jr. and Paul Bardella, both of Banetown, and David Bardella of Avella; 15 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; two sisters, Neva Stinedurf of Grove City and Evelyn Bensick of Port St. Lucie, Fla.

On May 8, 1951, he married Marlyn Geraldine Kosarik, who died September 11, 1980.

Also deceased are three brothers, Edward and Archilles Bardella and a brother who died in infancy; five sisters, Lena Simoni, Ella Stacko, Lydia Rickerds, Edith Strommer and Linda Reichelt. **WP**

John J. Hudak Jr.

Owned Hudak Garage
in Meadow Lands



John J. Hudak Jr., 88, of Hudak Hill Road, Washington, died Thursday, September 11, 2003, in his home.

He was born November 27, 1914, in South Strabane Township, a son of John J. Sr. and Catherine Funka Hudak.

Mr. Hudak was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Canonsburg.

He owned the former Hudak Garage in Meadow Lands and contracted out school buses for Chartiers-Houston School District.

Mr. Hudak was a member of Washington Lodge 164 F&AM and Syria Shrine in Pittsburgh.

His first wife, Anna Duchi Hudak, died August 8, 1968.

His second wife, Helen Matyas Oliverio Hudak, survives.

Also surviving are a son, David Hudak of Washington; two stepchildren, Judith Urbanic and Louis G. Oliverio, both of Houston; three stepgrandchildren, Jason A. Oliverio and David and Darrell Urbanic; and a stepgreat-granddaughter. **OS**

Jane Eichert Hoholak

Washington County Juvenile
Probation Dept. retiree

Jane Eichert Hoholak, 76, of Canonsburg, died Sunday, September 14, 2003, in her home.

She was born February 2, 1927, in Canonsburg, a daughter of William and Florence Wilson Eichert.

Mrs. Hoholak retired as a secretary for Washington County Juvenile Probation Department.

She was a lifetime member of Canonsburg United Presbyterian Church.

On May 7, 1955, she married John Hoholak, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Karen Solobay and Beth Nixon, both of Canonsburg; and four grandchildren, Kristen and Justin Solobay and Joshua and Michelle Nixon.

Raymond C. Boso

Operating Engineers union
retiree from Avella

Raymond C. Boso, 76, of Avella, died Tuesday, September 16, 2003, in his home.

He was born September 21, 1926, in Mt. Morris, a son of Bonnie H. and Faye Clouston Boso.

Mr. Boso served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

He worked as a dairy farmer in Jefferson Township for nine years. For 32 years, he worked as a member of Operating Engineers Local 132 in Charleston, W. Va., retiring in 1988.

Surviving are a son, Raymond F. Boso of Marietta, Ohio; a sister, Ruth M. Cochran of Baltimore, Md.; and many nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a sister, Betty F. Miller; and two brothers, William Clouston and Howard Lee Boso. **MP**

Bernard L. Brooks Sr.

Vietnam veteran was
Purple Heart recipient

Bernard L. Brooks Sr., 56, of Carnegie, died unexpectedly Saturday, September 27, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born August 23, 1947, in McDonald, a son of the late Sylvester and Ruth Brown Brooks.

For many years, Mr. Brooks was employed with Delmont Food Corp., formerly Heinz Food Corp.

He served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War and received a Purple Heart.

Surviving are a son, Bernard Brooks Jr. of Carnegie; two stepdaughters, Marchelle and Lynnette Haygood, both of Carnegie; eight grandsons; and his wife, Charlene Snatchko. **RR**

Opal M. Leeper

Formerly of Waynesburg



Opal M. Leeper, 83, of Washington, formerly of Waynesburg, died at 3:04 p.m. Wednesday,

September 17, 2003, in Washington Hospital, following a one-year illness.

She was born January 20, 1920, in Washington, a daughter of David W. and Minnie Moss Davidson.

Mrs. Leeper was a homemaker and a member of Batesfork Baptist Church.

On January 28, 1966, she married John S. Leeper, who died October 31, 1981.

Surviving are two daughters, Betty Jane Torboli and Marjorie Hauer, both of Avella; a stepson, William Barrett of Lawton, Okla.; a brother, Elmer Davidson of Washington; 10 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandson.

Deceased are three sisters, Rose Lightner, Lulu McCoy and Bertha Johns Parker; and two grandchildren. **W**

Elizabeth A. Ross

Manager of Washington
Hospital Hospitality Shop



Elizabeth A. Ross, 90, of Washington, died Thursday, September 25, 2003, in Kade Nursing Home, Washington,

following a three-month illness.

She was born March 3, 1913, in Washington, a daughter of Zeno E. and Jane M. Welsh Reedy.

Mrs. Ross was a member of North Buffalo United Presbyterian Church.

She was a former manager of Washington Hospital Hospitality Shop.

Mrs. Ross enjoyed watching the Steelers, as well as cooking and baking.

On June 22, 1929, she married Charles E. Anderson, who died September 19, 1958.

On October 24, 1969, she married Nick Ross, who died September 22, 1998.

Surviving are three sons, William J., Charles H. and Harry B. Anderson, all of Washington; a brother, James S. Reedy of Axtell, Kan.; a half brother, John Thompson of Jamesville, N.Y.; a sister, Loretta C. Amos of Washington; a half sister, Ellen Fretz of Washington; and several grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, Roy H. Anderson; two sisters, Mary Dixon and Stella M. Reedy Ross; two brothers, Harry and William A. Reedy; and a half brother, Ross Thompson. **W**

Anthony J. D'Angelo

Liquor Control Board clerk
from Canonsburg

Anthony (Tony) James D'Angelo, 48, of Canonsburg, died at 5:31 a.m. Thursday, September 11, 2003, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh.

He was born December 25, 1954, in Canonsburg, a son of Kay Zumpetta D'Angelo of Canonsburg and the late Anthony F. D'Angelo, who died August 6, 2002.

Mr. D'Angelo was a member of St. Patrick Roman Catholic Church in Canonsburg and graduated from Canon-McMillan High School.

He worked as a clerk for the state Liquor Control Board for 27 years in the Canonsburg and Washington branches.

Mr. D'Angelo enjoyed singing and playing music, especially Jethro Tull songs.

He was an avid fan of the "Three Stooges" and loved playing basketball and watching sports.

On May 10, 1986, he married Cheryl L. Bodnar, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Darcy D. D'Angelo, at home; a stepson, Matthew H. Pettigrew of Lancaster; a stepdaughter, Darla L. Pettigrew of Canonsburg; three brothers, Mark D'Angelo of Moon Township, Darren D'Angelo of Canonsburg and Tom Merigo of Eighty Four; two sisters, Karen and Leslie D'Angelo, both of Canonsburg; and several nieces and nephews. **WF**

Jennie Bertha Crowe

Member of McDonald
Senior Citizens Center

Jennie Bertha Crowe, 93, of McDonald, died Friday, September 12, 2003, in John J. Kane Scott Regional Center, Scott Township.

She was born January 3, 1910, in Roscoe, a daughter of Frank and Katherine (Paquet) Behling.

Mrs. Crowe was a homemaker and a member of Trinity Presbyterian Church, McDonald. She also was a member of McDonald Senior Citizens Center.

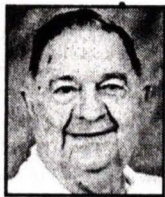
Surviving are a son, James R. Crowe Jr. of Oakdale; three daughters, Wilma J. Davis of McDonald, Sandra L. Kress of Oakdale and Dolores J. Eckels of Weirton, W. Va.; 10 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

In 1928, she married James R. Crowe Sr., who died September 18, 1966.

Also deceased are two brothers, August Behling and Joseph Blanchard, and a sister, Sylvia Paquet. **RR**

Dudley H. Hughes

World War II vet delivered for Nickel's Bakery



Dudley H. Hughes, 82, of Washington, died at 9:45 p.m. Saturday, September 27, 2003, in Washington

Hospital, following a lengthy illness.

He was born March 31, 1921, in Washington, a son of Thomas J. and Harriet Lindley Hughes.

He was a 1938 graduate of Washington High School and a U.S. Army veteran of World War II, serving with the Office of Strategic Services.

Mr. Hughes was a delivery man for Nickel's Bakery for more than 25 years. He also sold life insurance for Equitable Life and worked as a security guard for several area businesses.

On July 9, 1943, he married Mary M. (Margie) Alvey, who died March 9, 1987.

Surviving are a daughter, Beverly Shirley of Washington, two sons, John D. Hughes and William H. Hughes, both of Washington; a brother, the Rev. Thomas H. Hughes of Taylorstown; a sister, Dorothy Trautman of Washington; 10 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are an infant son, Dudley H. Hughes Jr.; and three sisters, Mildred Hughes, Eileen Leppert and Marge Roney. **CL**

Paul R. Prevade Sr.

Employed by Reddington Construction Co.

Paul R. Prevade Sr., 67, of Sturgeon, died Wednesday, September 24, 2003, in his home.

He was born October 11, 1935, a son of Peter and Eva Fountain Prevade.

Mr. Prevade was last employed with Reddington Construction Co.

He was a member of St. Patrick Roman Catholic Church in Noblestown.

His wife, Viola Heath Prevade, survives.

Also surviving are six children, John Prevade of Sturgeon, Paul Prevade Jr. of McDonald (North Fayette Township), Dennis Prevade of Mt. Lebanon, and Greg, Magan and Brad Prevade, all of McDonald; three grandchildren, Dawn, Adam John and Merrin Prevade; three brothers, Donald, Alex and Peter Prevade; and three sisters, Patty McCaffrey, Jane Panaia and Carol Baird.

Deceased are a brother, John P. Prevade Sr.; and a sister, Mary A. Prevade. **RR**

Mary M. Pawlosky

Hickory woman was court stenographer

Mary M. Pawlosky of Hickory died at 2:02 p.m. Friday, September 19, 2003, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh.

She was born in Canonsburg, a daughter of John and Helen McCartney Meiser.

Mrs. Pawlosky was a life member of St. Patrick Roman Catholic Church in Canonsburg and a member of Catholic Daughters of America Court Canonsburg 1211.

She was a 1931 graduate of Canonsburg High School and attended business training college.

Mrs. Pawlosky was a homemaker who had worked as a court stenographer in Washington and as a bookkeeper and teller in Citizens Trust Bank in Canonsburg.

She was a volunteer at Chartiers-Houston Community Library and a member of Jefferson College Historical Society in Canonsburg.

On October 30, 1945, she married Anthony M. Pawlosky, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Anthony J. Pawlosky of Hickory; two daughters, Mary C. Harris-John of Bridgeport, W. Va., and Barbara A. Burdette of Mt. Lebanon; five grandchildren, Rosemary E., Jennifer C. and David A. Pawlosky and Jonathan and Barbara J. Burdette; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a brother, George Meiser; and two sisters, Margaret E. Price and Helen Meiser. **GH**

Mary M. Fodse

McDonald homemaker

Mary M. (Bobbie) Fodse, 78, of McDonald, died unexpectedly Sunday, September 28, 2003, in UPMC-Presbyterian hospital, Pittsburgh.

She was a homemaker and a member of St. Alphonsus Roman Catholic Church in McDonald.

Her husband, Richard L. Fodse, died April 9, 1991.

Surviving are three daughters, Kathy Valek and Debbie Pritchett, both of Oakdale, and Sandra Fodse of McDonald; five sons, Richard L. of Midway, Ronald of Hopewell, Douglas of Moon Township and Dennis and Jeffrey Fodse, both of McDonald; 10 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Eleanor Charlier of McDonald and Cassie Sholek of Rennerdale.

A brother, John Shasko, is deceased. **RR**

Mrs. Sarah H. Lyle, Well Known Woman of Hickory, Passes Away



THE LATE MRS. SARAH H. LYLE

Highly Respected Resident of Northern Part of County Heeds Call of Death After Illness Lasting Only Two Weeks. Was in Her 82nd Year.

WIDOW OF J. REED LYLE 1916

Hickory, Dec. 29.—Mrs. Sarah Hartford Lyle, one of the best known women of this vicinity, died at her home on the Burgettstown road two miles north of here last night at 10:30 o'clock. She had been ill about two weeks, her condition taking a turn for the worse Christmas morning.

Mrs. Lyle was the widow of J. Reed Lyle, one of the most prominent farmers of this section, whose death occurred March 22 of this year. Mr. and Mrs. Lyle were married June 12, 1862, and four years ago celebrated their golden wedding. Mr. and Mrs. Lyle spent all their married life on the farm on which they died.

Mrs. Lyle was 81 years old at the time of her death, having been born September 16, 1835, in Hanover town ship, the daughter of John and Elizabeth Hartford. She was a member of the Mt. Prospect Presbyterian church.

The following children survive: Mrs. W. G. White, of Crosscreek; Mrs. H. F. Buchanan and J. Edwin Lyle, of near this place; and Miss Margaret Lyle, at home.

The funeral services will be conducted in the Mt. Prospect Presbyterian church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock by the pastor, Dr. A. F. Alexander. Interment will be in the Mt. Prospect cemetery.

Margaret A. Shotis

Bridgeville homemaker was avid bingo player

Margaret A. Shotis, 82, of Bridgeville, formerly of McDonald, died Saturday, September 20, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born July 2, 1921, in McDonald, a daughter of Joseph F. and Margaret (Zirwas) Pierrard.

Mrs. Shotis was a homemaker and enjoyed playing bingo and the lottery.

On July 26, 1939, she married Andrew M. Shotis, who died November 18, 1992.

Surviving are six daughters, Rose Marie O'Neil of Muse, Shirley Wilkins of Washington, Gloria Yaworski of McDonald, Valerie Mink of Imperial and Terri Schillinger of Bridgeville; 11 grandchildren, Donna Marth, Andy, John, and Bill Yaworski, Tammy Bain, Marty O'Neil, Jim Johnson, Ralph and Patty Wilkins, Tina Havelka, and Laura Schillinger; and nine great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a daughter, Barbara Loadman; and a brother, Phillip J. Pierrard. **RR**

Virginia F. Castelnova

Formerly of Canonsburg

Virginia F. Castelnova, 78, of Geneva-on-the-Lake, Ohio, formerly of Canonsburg, died Wednesday, September 17, 2003, in University Hospital of Cleveland.

She was born June 10, 1925, in Monongahela, a daughter of Paul and Mabelle Elizabeth Pugh Gilbert.

Surviving are two brothers, Dale Brandon of Sun City, Ariz.; and Lester Gilbert of Princeton, Mo. **OS**

Bertha B. Crothers

Lifelong Southview resident

Bertha B. Crothers, 78, of Southview, died Sunday, September 28, 2003, in her home.

She was born June 15, 1925, in Canonsburg, a daughter of John and Edna Grimm Spencer.

She was a lifelong resident of Southview and a member of Venice Presbyterian Church.

On June 10, 1943, she married William D. Crothers Jr., who survives. They had celebrated 60 years of marriage.

Surviving are four daughters, Darlene Brooks, Sandra Wussick, Betty Gent and Wilma Lewis, all of Southview; a son, William D. Crothers III of McDonald; three sisters, Marie Scarfo of Southview, Greta Dopudja Gillispie of Canonsburg and Lois Crawford of Houston; a brother, Albert "Buddy" Hental of Muse; 13 grandchildren, Sherry Tretyak, Dean and Brian Brooks, David Wussick Jr., Tina McVicker, Edward Gent Jr., Bell Ann Gauthier, Billy Jo Gent, Wayne Lewis Jr., Kristy Liggitt and Erin, Ashley and William D. IV Crothers; and 13 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a grandson, William Brooks III; a sister, Jean Fletcher; and a brother, Robert Spencer. **V**

John Kostelich

*Retired railroad signalman
from McDonald*

John Kostelich, 71, of McDonald, died Sunday, September 28, 2003, in Select Specialty Hospital, York.

He was born December 21, 1931, in Bulger, a son of Michael and Agnes Karol Kostelich.

Mr. Kostelich was a 1950 graduate of Burgettstown High School and served as a corporal in the U.S. Army 503rd Military Police Battalion during the Korean War.

He worked as a railroad signalman before retiring from Conrail in November 1993 with 44 years of service.

Mr. Kostelich was a member of American Legion Post 485 of McDonald, Brotherhood of Railroad Signalmen, McDonald Volunteer Fire Department and SNPJ Lodge 89 of Midway.

On June 15, 1957, he married Bonnie Jean McKee, who died April 8, 2000.

Surviving are three sons, Kevin M. Kostelich of York, John Randall Kostelich of Mayock, N.C., and Bradford A. Kostelich of Dover; three sisters, Helen Asti of Bulger, Rose Dubic of Grand Prairie, Texas, and Mary Precopia of Midway; and three grandchildren, Kaitlin, Kelly and Dylan Kostelich.

A brother, Joseph Kostelich, is deceased. **RR**

Eleanor Hamilton Moss

*Secretary at Jessop Steel,
Farm Credit, First Federal*

Eleanor Hamilton Moss, 79, of Greensburg, formerly of Washington, died Thursday October 2, 2003, in UPMC-Presbyterian hospital, Pittsburgh, as a result of an automobile accident.

She was born September 26, 1924, in Hopewell Township, Washington County, a daughter of Robert and Mabel Bernice Wilson Hamilton.

Mrs. Moss was a 1943 graduate of Trinity High School and a graduate of Penn Commercial College.

She had worked as a secretary at Jessop Steel, Farm Credit and First Federal of Washington.

On October 15, 1960, she married E. Dale Moss, who died June 1, 1987.

Surviving are a son, Dale Allen Moss of Greensburg; two brothers, Robert Hamilton of Claysville and Alexander Hamilton of Washington; and several nieces and nephews.

A brother, Jay L. Hamilton, is deceased. **UB**

■ In the obituary for Eleanor Hamilton Moss, published Saturday, her son's name should have read Dale Alan Moss of Greensburg.

G. Russell Hogue

*Texas Air Force career man
born in Waynesburg*

G. Russell Hogue, 82, of Bulverde, Texas, died Tuesday, September 16, 2003, at home.

He was born October 20, 1920, in Waynesburg, a son of Wilson Hogue and Hilda Liggett Hogue Scott.

Mr. Hogue served for 27 years in the U.S. Air Force, serving in World War II and the Korean War.

On January 10, 1947, he married Barbara Berry, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Martha Orttmann of New Hampshire and Margaret of the state of Indiana; two sons, James Hogue of Virginia and Richard Hogue of Texas; two sisters, Patricia Mack of Florida and Jennie Gema of Carnegie; seven grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, Raymond and William Hogue; and a sister, Rose Marie Moore.

Private services were held in Fort Sam Houston Cemetery in Texas.

Donald T. Ralston

*World War II vet was retired
guidance counselor*

Donald T. Ralston, 86, of San Diego, Calif., died Wednesday, October 1, 2003, of cancer in his home.

He was born September 2, 1917, in Washington County, a son of Edwin and Anna Taggart Ralston.

He was a 1935 graduate of Trinity High School. He graduated from Wooster (Ohio) College and later from Purdue University, West LaFayette, Ind., with a master's degree in guidance counseling.

After serving in the U.S. Army during World War II, Mr. Ralston moved with his family to Mansfield, Ohio, in 1945. He worked and retired as a guidance counselor from Mansfield School System.

Mr. Ralston was an active member of English Lutheran Church and Men's Garden Club.

He was an avid reader and enjoyed traveling and gardening.

His wife of 62 years, Mary Turner Ralston, survives.

Also surviving are a son, David R. Ralston of Mansfield; a daughter, Roberta J. Ernst of Phoenix, Ariz.; two granddaughters, Jacqueline Carsanaro and Jennifer Rozas; four great-grandchildren; a sister, Wilma Hazen of Claysville; and a brother, Robert E. Ralston of Washington.

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 Reinerts 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. **C**

Wilbert Pence

*Owned Pence's Card Store,
decorating business*



Wilbert Pence, 79, of Washington, died Sunday, October 5, 2003, in Southmont of Presbyterian Senior Care, Washington.

He was born August 6, 1924, in Washington, a son of John and Laura Paul Pence.

Mr. Pence was an active member of Church of the Covenant where he was an elder and usher for many years. He served on many church committees and programs.

He was a 1943 graduate of Washington High School.

For 27 years, he and his wife owned and operated Pence's Card Store on Main Street in Washington. After his father's death, Mr. Pence operated his father's painting and decorating business until retirement.

Mr. Pence was a member of Sunset Lodge 623 F&AM, Tall Cedars of Lebanon, Wa-Cha-Gree Forest 142, Scottish Rite Bodies Valley of Pittsburgh, Syria Temple AAONMS and Travelers Protective Association.

On June 4, 1947, in Upper Buffalo Presbyterian Church, he married Jean Taggart, who survives.

Also surviving are a brother, John M. Pence Jr. of Texas; a niece, Sheryll Bryant of Texas; and two nephews. **FL**

Joseph Slopek

*Burgettstown resident
worked for J&L Steel Corp.*

Joseph Slopek, 80, of Burgettstown, died Tuesday, September 23, 2003, in McMurray Manor.

He was born October 26, 1922, in Slovan, a son of Joseph and Mary Nehr Slopek.

Prior to retirement, Mr. Slopek was employed by J&L Steel Corp. in Aliquippa.

Surviving are a brother, Steve Slopek of Burgettstown; a sister, Margaret Pescho of Burgettstown; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are four brothers, David, Charles, Edward and Julius; and a sister, Alma Windshiemer. **F**

Mildred E. Pelan

*Former Washington County
Health Center employee*

Mildred E. (Millie) Pelan, 75, of Canonsburg, died Friday, October 3, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born June 14, 1928, in Canonsburg, a daughter of Valentine and Karolina Sajn Pelan.

She attended Canonsburg schools.

Miss Pelan was employed by Thorofare Grocery Stores for many years and later worked at Washington County Health Center.

She was a member of Canonsburg United Presbyterian Church, where she served as a deacon.

Surviving are four sisters, Carolyn Marshall of Canonsburg, Mary Palovich and Josephine Berardinelli, both of Cokeburg, and Fran Delfine of Baden; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two sisters, Annie Pelan and Bert Pelan. **OS**

Ronald Angelo Nencioni

*Bulger resident was avid
hunter, fisherman*

Ronald Angelo Nencioni, 46, of Bulger, died Friday, October 3, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

He was born April 18, 1957, in Canonsburg, a son of Vincy Tabone Nencioni of Bulger and the late Elio Nencioni.

Mr. Nencioni was employed by Servi-Sel in Bethel Park.

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

Mr. Nencioni was an avid hunter and fisherman.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are a son, Logan Nencioni of Midway; a sister, Anna Marie Slay of Bulger; a niece and a nephew.

A sister, Elda Jean Hoering, died July 5, 2002. **C**

Mary Margaret Helsley

Claysville homemaker, member of Claysville Christian Church

Mary Margaret Helsley, 59, of Claysville, died Tuesday, October 7, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born January 22, 1944, in Weirton, W.Va., a daughter of the late Harold and Unibell Fordyce Gatten.

Mrs. Helsley was a homemaker and worked as a nurse's aide.

She was a member of Claysville Christian Church and enjoyed spending time with her family.

In 1961, she married John W. Helsley, who survives.

Also surviving are two children, Curtis W. Helsley of Claysville and Charlene Margaret Megysey of Cambridge Springs; a sister, Hazel L. Staley of Washington; three grandchildren, Matthew D. Robinson, Christina Marie and Charles Megysey; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased is a daughter, Unibell Helsley.

Helen Constance Seibel

Bowling medal winner in Transplant Olympics



Helen Constance (Connie) Seibel, 64, of Avella, died Sunday, October 5, 2003, in her home following a 20-year illness.

She was born September 21, 1939, in Washington, a daughter of Howard Conn of Washington and the late Helen Loughman.

Mrs. Seibel was a member of Friendship Community Church.

She worked at Brockway Glass, Sears Roebuck, and prior to retirement, at Al Lorenzi Lumber for five years.

On October 31, 1974, she married Donald Seibel, who died September 13, 1992.

Surviving are her stepmother, Beatrice Conn; a son, Joseph Ayre of Avella; two stepsons, Donald and Gerald Seibel; two daughters, Pamela King and Heidi Stellavato, both of Washington; two stepdaughters, Mona Lou Richey of Claysville and Donna Sue Wildman of Upper St. Clair; a brother, Michael Conn of Washington; three sisters, Wendy Stockdale of Prosperity and Linda Burgh and Carol Gongaware, both of Washington; six grandchildren, Justin King, Neil Fanase, Angenette Stellavato, Jim Gatewood and Joe Jr. and Cassandra Ayre; five step-grandchildren, Trevor, Shawn and Josh Wildman and Jamie and Rich Scherich; two great-grandchildren and three stepgreat-grandchildren; and a stepsister, Wendy Ayre.

NB

Alvan Donnan

W&J graduate worked for DuPont

Alvan Donnan, 88, of Horseshoe Hill, Hockessin, Del., died Saturday, October 4, 2003.

He was a Beta Theta Pi at Washington & Jefferson College and graduated from the University of Wisconsin with a doctorate degree in chemistry.

Mr. Donnan worked for DuPont Co. for 36 years.

He was an elder at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Wilmington, Del., where he chaired the Peacemaking Committee. He co-chaired a committee for refugees with Red Clay Presbyterian Church in Newark, Del.

Mr. Donnan was a charter member of Delaware Nature Society, was treasurer of Red Clay Valley Association and a member of Chesapeake Bay Girl Scout Council.

His wife of 61 years, Jean Brownlee Donnan, survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Janet Lebel; a son, Van Donnan; four grandchildren, Lisa Donnan Gillie, Chris Donnan, David Powers and Alison Kleinert; two great-grandchildren; and a sister, Elizabeth Donnan Smith.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, October 13, in Westminster Presbyterian Church. Interment will be in Grove Church Cemetery in West Middletown at 3 p.m. Thursday,

Michael Varner Jr.

1999 Fort Cherry High School graduate was tattoo artist

Michael Varner Jr., 22, of McDonald, died Saturday, October 4, 2003, as a result of an automobile accident.

He was born September 21, 1981, in Pittsburgh, a son of Michael Varner Sr. of Bethel Park and Renee Jordan of McDonald.

Mr. Varner was a 1999 graduate of Fort Cherry High School.

He was employed as a tattoo artist for In Your Skin Tattoo and Piercing of Hanky Farms.

Surviving in addition to his parents are a sister, Leah Renee Varner of McDonald; a stepfather, Michael Jordan of McDonald; a stepmother, Heidi Varner of Bethel Park; a paternal grandmother, Mary Varner of Pittsburgh; maternal great-grandparents, Velma and Stanley Ryglewicz of Allentown; a maternal grandmother, Carol Goralczyk of Penn Hills; and a maternal grandfather, Hudson Jordan of Bethel Park.

C

Emily M. Kohler

Member of Center Presbyterian Church, McMurray



Emily M. Kohler, 77, of Forest Drive, McMurray, died Friday, October 3, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born October 7, 1925, in Houston, a daughter of William and Margaret Jaap Murphy.

Mrs. Kohler was a member of Center Presbyterian Church in McMurray.

On May 24, 1944, she married Raymond J. Kohler, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Richard Kohler of Strabane; one daughter, Sharon Campagna of Strabane; three grandchildren, Jason Campagna and Raymond and Kristina Kohler; a brother, William Murphy of Banning; and a sister, Alice Allen of Davie, Fla.

OS

Stella H. Snyder

Formerly of McDonald

Stella H. Snyder, 93, of Strabane Woods, formerly of McDonald, died Saturday, October 4, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born November 4, 1909, in Pittsburgh, a daughter of Leo and Nellie Grandy Sulecki.

Mrs. Snyder was a homemaker and a member of St. Ann Roman Catholic Church, Bulger.

In November 1926, she married Joseph A. Snyder, who died in May 1972.

Surviving are a son, Joseph W. Snyder of McDonald; a daughter, Catherine R. McConnell of Canonsburg; three grandchildren, Donna Himmelwright, Rick Snyder and Jim Snyder; and five great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a brother, Walter Sulecki; and a sister, Emma J. Giehl.

RR

Aline LaVerne Nourigat

Member of St. Alphonsus Church

Aline LaVerne Nourigat, 80, of Midway, died Thursday, October 16, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born July 8, 1923, in Pittsburgh, a daughter of Albert and Claudia Rieu Horstman.

Mrs. Nourigat was a retired sales clerk for Scoio China in Imperial.

She was a member of St. Alphonsus Roman Catholic Church in McDonald.

Her husband, John L. Nourigat Jr., died in 1998.

A son, Del Nourigat of Midway, survives.

C

Mary E. Stewart

Centenarian active in Crossroads Presbyterian Church



Mary E. Stewart, 104, of Christopher's Personal Care Home, Washington, formerly of Old Hickory Ridge Road, died

at 12:30 a.m. Friday, October 3, 2003, in Kade Nursing Home, Washington.

She was born September 9, 1899, in Belmont County, Ohio, a daughter of William and Della Ferrell Denham.

After graduating from Belmont County Schools, Mrs. Stewart graduated from Muskingum Normal School and obtained a teaching position in the one-room Welch School in Chartiers Township.

On May 10, 1921, she married Carl Marquis Stewart, who died September 4, 1980.

Surviving are a son, Carl Eugene Stewart of Bastrop, Texas; two daughters, Betty McVay of Winter Haven, Fla., and Marie S. Bryner of Washington; 19 grandchildren; 38 great-grandchildren; and five great-great grandchildren.

Deceased are two sons, John D. and James W. Stewart; three brothers, Emerson, John, and Virgil Denham; and a sister Emma Kettlewell.

MP

■ In the obituary for Mary E. Stewart, published Saturday, omitted was a sister, Grace Greig, who is deceased.

Patricia M. Brackman

McDonald homemaker loved camping

Patricia M. (Patty) Brackman, 58, of McDonald, died Sunday, October 5, 2003, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh.

She was born April 30, 1945, in Washington, a daughter of the late George and Sadie Eckels Powell.

Mrs. Brackman was a homemaker who enjoyed cooking and crocheting. She also loved camping and the outdoors.

On January 11, 1964, she married Boyce W. Brackman, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Timothy W. and Mark W. Brackman, both of McDonald; a daughter, Colleen (Kelly) Bowland of McDonald; three brothers, George of McDonald, John of Lawrence and Robert Powell of Cecil; a sister, Betty Jane Ainscough of Cecil; and 10 grandchildren, Jeffrey, Karen, Heather, Lisa, Tiffany, Timothy Jr., Jacob, Joseph, Erica and Thomas.

A brother, William Powell, is deceased.

RR

Carolyn Luff

Joffre homemaker

Carolyn Luff, 62, of Joffre, died Friday, October 3, 2003.

She was born July 17, 1941, in Pittsburgh, a daughter of John and Frances Glozzer Adams of McKees Rocks.

Mrs. Luff was a homemaker and a member of Independent Bible Presbyterian Church.

Her husband, Gene R. Luff Sr., died May 30, 2002.

Surviving, in addition to her parents, are three sons, Gene R. Luff Jr. of Bulger, Joseph Luff of Hanover Township and Michael Luff of Joffre; a daughter, Susan Bertovich of Avella; a brother, John P. Adams Jr. of McKees Rocks; and seven grandchildren, Gee, Joshua, Christopher, Michael, Adam and Makayla Luff and Mandi Bertovich.

A daughter, Sandra Lynn Luff, is deceased. **C**

Elizabeth Z. Burchianti

Served on

Midway Mapfest Committee

Elizabeth Z. Burchianti, 83, of Midway, died Wednesday, October 8, 2003, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh.

She was born April 28, 1920, a daughter of Mirello and Margaret Barale Burchianti.

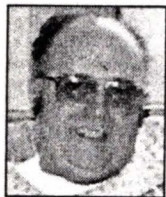
Miss Burchianti was a troop leader for Midway Girl Scouts, a member of Midway Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary and served on Midway Mapfest Committee.

She was a member of Center United Presbyterian Church in Midway.

Surviving are a sister, Margaret Manzini of the state of Indiana; and two nephews, Steven and Michael Burchianti. **C**

James Edward Locq

1960 Fort Cherry H.S. grad worked for Weirton Steel



James Edward Locq, 61, of Washington, died Friday, October 17, 2003, in his home, following a lengthy illness.

He was born September 16, 1942, in Pittsburgh, a son of the late James and Martha Ayres Locq.

Mr. Locq was a 1960 graduate of Fort Cherry High School.

He had worked for many years at Weirton Steel Corp. and as a volunteer for Pennsylvania Game Commission.

A sister, Sandra Cowden of Wheeling, W.Va., survives. **MP**

Midway man dies in wreck in Cecil Twp.

MIDWAY - A Midway man was found dead inside a burning vehicle early Saturday along Route 980 in Cecil Township.

Kevin Stone, 24, of Cherry Street, died sometime before 1:11 a.m. of smoke inhalation, said Washington County Coroner S. Timothy Warco.

Warco said Stone was traveling north when his vehicle left the road and went up an embankment before hitting several trees and coming to rest at 491 Route 980.

The first person to notice Stone's vehicle said it was engulfed in flames.

State police said speed was a factor, but there were no witnesses to the accident.

Warco is investigating whether drugs or alcohol were a factor.

Stone was a 1997 graduate of Fort Cherry High School, where he was an honor student. He was employed at All Clad Metal Crafters in Canonsburg.

He was the 18th person to die on Washington County roads this year.

Kevin S. Stone

1997 Fort Cherry H.S. graduate enjoyed playing golf

Kevin S. Stone, 24, of Midway, died Saturday, October 18, 2003, as a result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

He was born December 10, 1978, in Washington, a son of James L. and Diane Culley Stone of Midway.

He was a 1997 graduate of Fort Cherry High School where he was an honor student and a four-year member of the golf team.

He was employed by All-Clad Metal Crafters in Canonsburg.

He was an avid golfer and enjoyed hunting and hockey.

Surviving, in addition to his parents, are two brothers, Shawn Stone of Eighty Four and Aaron Stone of Midway; his paternal grandmother, Catherine Stone of McDonald; five uncles; an aunt; three nephews; and a niece.

Deceased are his maternal grandparents, George and Effie Culley; and his paternal grandfather, Wilbert Stone. **C**

James Arthur Smith

Hickory dairy farmer was U.S. Army vet of WWII

James Arthur Smith, 80, of Hickory, died Friday, October 17, 2003, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, as a result of injuries sustained in a fall at his farm.

He was born October 19, 1922, in Hickory, a son of Vance M. and Jane Morgan Smith.

Mr. Smith was a 1940 graduate of Hickory High School and a dairy farmer.

He was a U.S. Army veteran, serving as part of the occupational forces in Japan at the end of World War II.

Mr. Smith was a 60-year member of Canon Lodge 204 Knights of Pythias, Canonsburg, and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 553, Strabane. He served on the board of Mt. Prospect Cemetery Association.

He was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church.

Surviving are four sisters, Dorothy S. Walker and Olive S. Ferrell, both of Hickory, Elsie B. Smith of McMurray, and Roberta S. Farrar of Neenah, Wis.; two brothers, Robert M. and Richard L. Smith, both of Hickory; nine nieces; eight nephews; 16 grandnieces; and 10 grandnephews.

Deceased are two brothers, Vance M. Smith Jr. and Paul L. Smith. **MP**

Floyd Raymer Gilbert

Former Robinson Township police chief

Floyd Raymer Gilbert, 75, of McDonald, died Saturday, October 11, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born August 21, 1928, in Primrose, a son of Eugene Sr. and Anna Kress Gilbert.

Mr. Gilbert was a 1947 graduate of Hickory High School and served in the U.S. Marine Corps.

He was a steelworker at LTV in Aliquippa for 27 years, retiring 1982. He also was a former Robinson Township road supervisor for 15 years and former Robinson Township police chief for five years.

On October 7, 1947, he married Dolores Phillips Gilbert, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Gary L. and Terry L. Gilbert, both of McDonald; a daughter, Robin L. Muggar of McDonald; a brother, Eugene Gilbert Jr. of McDonald; and four grandchildren, Jeffrey and Janet Gilbert and Emily and Matthew Muggar.

An infant daughter died at birth. **RR**

James Parker

James William Parker, 73, of Belmont, died Wednesday, Oct. 1, 2003 at Park Health Care Center, St. Clairsville.

He was born March 5, 1930 in Belmont, Ohio, a son of the late Henry Wayne Parker and Clara Mae Davis Parker.

Jim was a Protestant, a veteran serving in the Coast Guard during the Korean Conflict. He attended Kent State and received his Bachelors degree from Muskingum College, and his masters from Ohio State University. In 1985 he retired from State University of New York, Delhi, N.Y., where he served as a coach, teacher, guidance counselor.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by the mother of Susan, Elsie Virginia Parker, a grandson Bryant Joseph LaFever, and a nephew Arik Parker.

Surviving are his wife of 41 years, Donna Jean Dyer Parker; two daughters, Susan (Mark) LaFever of Sherburn, N.Y., Lisa (Jeff) Watters of Lewis Center, Ohio; two sons Fred (Trish) Parker of Brownsburg, Ind., and James William Parker, Jr. (Lynn) of Hillard, Ohio; four granddaughters, Kristina LaFever, Samatha Parker, Ashley Parker, and Cheyanne Parker; five grandsons, Dustin Parker, Kyle Lefever, Brian McEnaney, Benjamin Watters, and Dylanger Parker; three brothers, Wayne D. (Betty) Parker and Larry (Alexa) Parker all of Belmont, Jerry (Sharon) Parker of Grand Island, Fla., several nieces and nephews.

Friends will be received Friday, 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m., at Kelly-Kemp-Braido Funeral Home, 322 North Main St., Bethesda, where services will be held Saturday, at 11 a.m., with Minister Val Roxby officiating. Burial follows in Belmont Cemetery.

Ruth Nation Kelso

Radio Ear Corp. technician for 48 years

Ruth Nation Kelso, 84, of Midway, died Friday, October 17, 2003, in St. Clair Hospital, Mt. Lebanon.

She was born May 9, 1919, in Steubenville, Ohio, a daughter of Frank David and Mary Elizabeth Huffman Nation.

Mrs. Kelso was a technician employed by Radio Ear Corp. in Hendersonville for 48 years, retiring in 1972.

On August 2, 1958, she married Edwin Anderson Kelso, who died October 14, 1992.

Surviving are a sister, Mary Pierrard Mutton of Midway; seven nieces and nephews; 25 great-nieces and nephews; and 10 great-great-nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, Henry "Bus" Nation and Frank J. Nation Sr.; a sister, Frances Stillwell; and three nephews. **RR**

W. Robert Caldwell

Presbyterian minister served
at Venice church

The Rev. W. Robert Caldwell, 81, of West Middlesex, died Tuesday, October 14, 2003, in Overlook Medical Center.

He was born March 18, 1922, in New Castle, a son of Mary Drake Caldwell. He was a graduate of New Castle High School, Westminster College in New Wilmington and Theological Seminary in Pittsburgh.

He was a member of West Middlesex Kiwanis Club and Shenango Presbytery.

He was a retired Presbyterian minister. His first church was Darlington Presbyterian Church in Beaver County, where he served from 1952 to 1958; his second church was Venice Presbyterian Church in Washington County, where he served from 1958 until he retired in 1987.

He was a former minister of visitation at Third Presbyterian Church in New Castle and interim pastor at Darlington Presbyterian Church from 1989 to 1991.

On June 18, 1949, he married Frances Marie Clark, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Rachel Caldwell of Bridgeville and Beth Barr of Portsmouth, Va.; two sons, David Caldwell of Bridgeville and Paul Caldwell of Columbia, S.C.; a brother, Glenn Caldwell of Fort Wayne, Ind.; and seven grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, October 19, in Presbyterian Church of West Middlesex, with the Rev. James Leuenberger, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow in Haywood Cemetery. Memorial contributions

Robert E. Campbell

Langeloth resident

Robert E. Campbell, 52, of Langeloth, died Tuesday, October 14, 2003, in his home.

He was born January 14, 1951, in Follansbee, W. Va., a son of the late Robert Burton Campbell and Mary Louise Campbell Slavik.

Mr. Campbell was a graduate of Avella High School and enjoyed hunting and fishing.

On April 24, 1981, he married Janet Rogers, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Brian Campbell of Washington; two daughters, Kimberly Campbell of Houston and Heather Ward of Great Lakes, Ill.; four grandchildren, Brian J., Amber and Devon Campbell and Patrick Ward; a sister, Susan Moore of Spraggs; his stepfather, Michael Joseph Slavik of Wellsburg, W. Va.; and several nieces and nephews.

A brother, Howard (Jerry) Campbell, is deceased.

WP

Mary E. Puchi

Houston homemaker was
member of St. Patrick Parish

Mary E. Puchi, 83, of Houston, formerly of Canonsburg, died Saturday, October 18, 2003, in her home.

She was born June 17, 1920, in New Kensington, a daughter of William and Mary E. Kinney Donnelly.

Mrs. Puchi spent most of her life in Canonsburg and was a member of St. Patrick Parish.

She was a homemaker.

Her husband, Angelo "Banjo" Puchi, died October 27, 1990.

Surviving are four sons, William Puchi of Anderson, Ind., Eugene Puchi of Muse, David Puchi of Canonsburg and Martin Puchi of Canonsburg; four daughters, Mona Lee Wood of Holbrook, Ellen Carr and Rose Marie Gouirand, both of Canonsburg, Amelia "Penny" White of Hickory; 29 grandchildren; 38 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a son, John Puchi; two brothers, John and William Donnelly; and four sisters, Bonnie Wert, Mildred Stewart and Sally and Alice Donnelly, who died in infancy.

OS

Jules V. Lefebvre

PENNDOT retiree was member
of Center UP Church, Midway

Jules V. Lefebvre, 91, of Midway, died Monday, October 13, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born March 26, 1912, in Midway, a son of Leopold and Maria Gilson Lefebvre.

Mr. Lefebvre retired as a coal miner and from the state Department of Transportation.

He was a member of Center United Presbyterian Church in Midway.

Mr. Lefebvre was a member of Midway Senior Citizens and its dartball team and Fractured Fashions, performance group. He enjoyed playing the guitar and country music.

On February 12, 1938, he married Elizabeth DiNino, who survives and with whom he celebrated 65 years of marriage.

Also surviving are two daughters, Anita Ashmore and Geraldine Dowler, both of Midway; four grandchildren; four stepgrandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are three brothers, Edmond, Victor and Alferd Lefebvre; three sisters, Martha Metz, Germaine Romestan and Evyonne Kunkle; and a granddaughter.

C

Quentin Filipponi

Owned and operated
Q & E Filipponi Superette

Quentin "Queenie" Filipponi, 90, of Oakmont, formerly of Burgettstown, died Monday, October 13, 2003, in Longwood Health Center, Oakmont.

He was born December 23, 1912, in Aliquippa, a son of Rudolph and Parisena Levi Filipponi.

Prior to retirement, Mr. Filipponi, along with his wife, owned and operated Q & E Filipponi Superette Grocery Store.

He was a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church, Burgettstown, Slovan Volunteer Fire Department and Washington Grocers Association.

On June 17, 1935, he married Edith H. Bongiorno, who survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Janice Dalverny of Leesburg, Ind., Darlene Zaengle of Carlisle; Rudelle Studebaker of Monroeville; four grandchildren, Carly Boos, Jeff Dalverny, Troy Marshall and Tracy Delp; and nine great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two brothers, Carl and Felix Filipponi; and three sisters, Nell Petrucci, Kathryn Sciammana and Anita Gavatorra.

Our Lady of Lourdes

Paul L. Brown Jr.

Vietnam veteran
retired from Teledyne

Paul L. Brown Jr., 59, of Westland, died Sunday, October 19, 2003, in Veterans Medical Center, Oakland.

He was born September 4, 1944, in Muse, a son of Paul L. Brown Sr. and Roberta Scott Brown.

He was a 1962 graduate of Fort Cherry High School, where he was a member of the basketball team that won the 1961 PIAA Class B championship.

Mr. Brown was a veteran of the Vietnam War, serving with the U.S. Army from 1967 to 1969.

He retired in 1990 from Teledyne in Carnegie.

Mr. Brown was a member of First Baptist Church, Westland, and the American Legion post in Sewickley.

On May 2, 1965, he married Sarah Patterson, who survives.

Also surviving is one daughter, Stephanie D.V. Brown, of Westland; one son, Paul Randal Brown of Westland; three grandchildren, Tyreke, DeMonya, and Dymon Brown; five brothers, Benjamin Brown, of Lakeland, Fla., Merle Brown of Erie, David and Rodney Brown, both of Canonsburg, and James Brown of Washington; two sisters, Scharlotta Workman of Braddock and Renee Sizemore, of Toronto, Ohio; and several aunts, uncles, nieces, and nephews.

WF

Frances Zediker Russell

Greenery nurse's aide enjoyed
playing bingo



Frances Kay Zediker Russell, 58, of Washington, died Friday, October 24, 2003, in her home, following a one-year illness.

She was born June 29, 1945, in Washington, a daughter of the late Ralph Hayes and Margaret Pearl Fox Zediker.

Mrs. Russell had attended Trinity schools. She previously worked at Abex Corp., Brockway Glass, Kades Nursing Home and last as a nurse's aide at Greenery Rehabilitation in North Strabane Township.

She was an avid bingo player.

On December 29, 1962, she married Albert Leroy Russell, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Roger and Albert Jr. Russell, both of Washington; two daughters, Sheila Cass of Canonsburg and Renee Russell of Las Vegas, Nev.; a brother Ralph "Boxer" Zediker of Bethesda, Ohio; three sisters, Verna Lowe and Sue Zediker, both of St. Clairsville, Ohio, and Tammy Jackowski of Belmont, Ohio; 16 grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Deceased are a brother, David Zediker; a sister, Margaret Zediker Lovejoy; and a grandson.

NB

J ALEX PATTERSON

J. Alex Patterson, 75, of Avella, died unexpectedly Wednesday, Nov. 20, 1963, at 4 a. m. at his home.

He was born Nov. 7, 1888, in Allegheny County, a son of David F. and Mary Gardner Patterson, and lived in the Avella Area 40 years. He was formerly a partner in the Cheeseborough and Patterson Lumber Co.

Mr. Patterson served at one time as postmaster in Avella. He was last employed in the Washington County Register of Wills office, retiring in 1959. He was a veteran of World War One and a member of the Avella Presbyterian Church.

His wife, Edna Latimer Patterson, died Nov. 25, 1960.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Walter J. Perkinson, Miami, Fla., and four nephews, Theodore H. Patterson, Columbus, Ohio; Tom C. Patterson, Wilmington, Del.; William A. Patterson, Ardsley, N. Y., and

Blanche D. McCarty

McDonald resident enjoyed Broadway and the theater

Blanche D. McCarty, 83, of McDonald, died Thursday, October 23, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born September 6, 1920, in McDonald, a daughter of James and Nellie J. Van Kuren Donaldson.

Mrs. McCarty was a 1938 graduate of McDonald High School.

She worked as an industrial therapist for Woodville State Hospital for 20 years before retiring in 1983.

Mrs. McCarty was a member of Trinity Presbyterian Church and a charter member of American Legion Post 485 Ladies Auxiliary.

Mrs. McCarty loved spending winters in Florida and enjoyed Broadway and the theater.

In 1943, she married David C. McCarty Sr., who died in 1985.

Surviving are two sons, David C. McCarty Jr. of Red Lion and John R. McCarty of North Versailles; a daughter, Dee Elaine McCarty of McDonald; 10 grandchildren, Michael, Dana, Megan, Brian, Colin, John P. and Mathew McCarty, Stacy and Chad Bennett and Tara Causey; and four great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a brother, James Donaldson; and two great-grandchildren.

Peter G. Grubich Jr.

Avella man owned Grubich Asphalt Paving, Landscaping



Peter G. "Pete" Grubich Jr., 68, of Avella, formerly of McMurray, died Thursday, October 23, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington, following a

short illness.

He was born July 19, 1935, in New Eagle, a son of Peter G. Sr. and Roxie Henderson Grubich.

Mr. Grubich had once worked for Peters Township Road Department and later was owner and operator of Grubich Asphalt Paving and Landscaping.

He was an avid deer hunter and a member of Buck Masters.

Mr. Grubich was a Korean War veteran.

On December 17, 1976, he married Sandra Lee Dolinar, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Bob Dummer of Hickory; a daughter, Crissy Miller of Avella; a brother, Danny Grubich of Finleyville; two sisters, Mildred Sala of Canonsburg and JoAnn Tomshay of Pittsburgh; three grandchildren, Levi and Shayla Miller and Betty Jane Dummer; and several nieces and nephews.

WM

Alma J. Hertig

Member of North Ten Mile Baptist Church



Alma J. "Nannie" Hertig, 95, of Bentleyville, formerly of Claysville and Lone Pine, died Sunday, October 19, 2003, in

Rolling Meadows Nursing Home, Waynesburg, following a lengthy illness.

She was born May 26, 1908, in Claysville, a daughter of Samuel and Renona Narigon Jackson.

Mrs. Hertig was a member of North Ten Mile Baptist Church and a former member of the Mission Circle.

Her happiest times were spent with her children and grandchildren. She enjoyed crocheting and made afghans for her family.

She was an avid fan of the Pittsburgh Pirates and Steelers.

Her husband, Karl E. Hertig, died October 6, 1966.

Surviving are two sons, Richard Lyle Hertig of Washington and Michael D. Hertig of Amity; two daughters, Lyndall Worthington of Avella and Cheryl Phillips Besedick of Bentleyville, with whom she made her home; 14 grandchildren, Cindy Cokel, Jeffrey Hertig, Barbara Conkle, Deborah Bowersock, Pamela Buchleitner, Jackie Jo Worthington, Alison McAdams, Kelli Fonner, April Ricci, Joy Angelo, James "Ty" Phillips, Michelle Sperl, Michael Hertig and Laurie Cooke; and 27 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, Karl M. "Porky" Hertig; a daughter, O'Nile Cokel; a grandson, Karl Frank Cokel; and a great-granddaughter, Sarah Jane Ricci.

WA

Charles L. Lambing

Retired Navy captain was W&J graduate

Charles L. Lambing, retired U.S. Navy captain, 88, of Sun City Center, Fla., died Sunday, October 5, 2003.

He was born in 1914 in McDonald.

Mr. Lambing attended Cecil-area schools and was a graduate of Cecil High School and Washington & Jefferson College.

He was a member of United Community Church of Sun City Center and a former member of Venice United Presbyterian Church.

His wife, Aileen Hutchison Lambing, is deceased.

Surviving are a son, Robert Lambing; a daughter, Barbara Kelley; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Interment with military honors will be held December 1 in Arlington National Cemetery.

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Ralph Henry Myers

West Alexander farmer retired from Wheeling Enclosure



Ralph Henry Myers, 87, of West Alexander, died Wednesday, October 22, 2003, in Washington County Health Center, Washington.

He was born June 13, 1916, in West Finley, a son of Martin H. and Osa Velma Ritchea Myers.

Mr. Myers was a member of West Alexander United Methodist Church.

He attended Bethany, W.Va., schools.

Mr. Myers was a veteran of World War II, serving in the U.S. Army from March 29, 1942, through November 29, 1945. He was a staff sergeant and saw combat in the Pacific Theater.

He retired in 1980 from Wheeling Enclosure. He was a farmer and drove a school bus for Don Swart Equipment in McGuffey School District.

On December 21, 1986, in West Alexander United Methodist Church, he married Ruth Ann Pethel, who survives.

Also surviving are a sister, Ethel Malson of San Bruno, Calif.; a brother, William Myers of West Liberty, W.Va.; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two sisters, Stella Malson and Helen Armstrong.

West Finley Cemetery.

Arthur A. Vincenti

Former coal miner for Pittsburgh Coal Co.

Arthur A. Vincenti, 93, of Primrose, died Tuesday, October 21, 2003.

He was born May 8, 1910, in Primrose, a son of Dominick and Catherine Vicari Vincenti.

Mr. Vincenti was a coal miner with Pittsburgh Coal Co. for 53 years.

He served in Japan during World War II.

Mr. Vincenti was a member of St. Alphonsus Roman Catholic Church in McDonald.

His wife, Laura Yates Vincenti, died in 1989.

Surviving are a son, Gary W. Vincenti of Pittsburgh; a grandson, Joshua Vincenti; a brother, Raymond Vincenti of Burgettstown; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased, in addition to his wife, are a sister, Joann Kessler; and two brothers, Louis "Bebie" and Joseph Vincenti.

RR

Sadie Angeline Myers

Member of Jehovah's Witnesses Kingdom Hall

Sadie Angeline Myers, 69, of Washington, died Wednesday, October 22, 2003, in Washington Hospital following a lengthy illness.

She was born February 11, 1934, in Washington, a daughter of Loring Lonzo and Anna May Wheeler Medlen.

Mrs. Myers attended Washington schools, worked as a waitress at Elby's and was a home health-care worker in the area.

She was a member of Jehovah's Witnesses Kingdom Hall in Washington.

On August 6, 1993, she married Curtis Olin Myers, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Ronald R. Stiltenspole of Scranton, and John G. and Jeffrey L. Stiltenspole, both of Washington; a daughter, Roberta A. Kain of Washington; four brothers, Jim Medlen of McConnell's Mills, LeRoy Medlen of Sandusky, Ohio, Kenneth Medlen of Illinois and Harold Medlen of Ohio; four sisters, Elmay McVehil and Pearl Hutter, both of Washington, Bernice Montgomery of Prosperity and Barbara Wood of Pittsburgh; and eight grandchildren.

Deceased are three brothers, Loring Lonzo Jr., Melvin Lee and Albert Medlen; and two sisters, Alice Carpenter and Mary Hall.

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Florence Osborn Guercio

Former secretary for Art Plate Glass Co. in Baltimore, Md.

Florence Marie Osborn Guercio, 91, of Claysville, formerly of Thomas Campbell Apartments, Washington, died at 7:15 a.m. Saturday, October 25, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington, following a lengthy illness.

She was born December 6, 1911, in Washington, a daughter of John and Adella Bamberger Patterson.

She had been employed as a secretary for Art Plate Glass Co. in Baltimore, Md., for 16 years.

She was twice married: first to Kenneth Osborn; and later to Salvatore Guercio. Both are deceased.

Surviving are a daughter, Patricia Prigg of Claysville; a granddaughter, Robin Breckons; and a great-grandson.

Deceased are two brothers, John and Jim Patterson; and a sister, Lorena Williams.

At the request of the deceased, there will be no public visitation. Services and interment will be held at the convenience of the family. Arrangements are being handled by William G. Neal Funeral Homes Ltd.

Flora J. Richards

50-year member
of First U.M. Church, Houston

Flora J. Richards, 79, of Houston, died Sunday, October 26, 2003, in her home.

She was born June 25, 1924, in Houston, a daughter of John Sr. and Carmella Corey Spatafore.

Mrs. Richards was employed by Washington County Tax Assessment Office as a tax clerk, retiring in 1989.

On March 22, 1947, she married Lincoln R. Richards Sr., who died April 13, 1966.

Surviving are a son, Lincoln R. Richards of Washington; two grandchildren, Todd and Ashley Richards; two sisters, Theresa Spatafore and Blanche Warholak, both of Houston; and three brothers, John Spatafore Jr. of Baltimore, Md., Barry Spatafore of McMurray and Jerry Spatafore of Houston.

Deceased are a brother, Thomas Spatafore; and a sister, Mary Spatafore. OS

Jennie D. Radinsky

Enjoyed polkas

Jennie D. Radinsky, 88, of Canonsburg, died at 3:45 p.m. Thursday, October 30, 2003, in UPMC-Passavant hospital, Pittsburgh.

She was born June 21, 1915, in Lawrence, a daughter of John and Mary Hrovat Retzel.

Mrs. Radinsky worked for more than 25 years as a state employee at Western Center in Canonsburg.

She was a member of St. Patrick Parish and its Christian Mothers.

After retirement, Mrs. Radinsky volunteered at Western Center, Canonsburg General Hospital and Boys and Girls Club of Broward County, Fla.

She was a member of SNPJ Lodge 138 and KSKJ St. Jerome Lodge, both of Strabane. She was a past member of American Fraternal Union and of Pensioners.

Mrs. Radinsky enjoyed her family, especially the six months in Florida with her daughter; going to the theater and polka dances; and listening to polka music.

On July 12, 1941, she married Andrew M. Radinsky, who died November 9, 1985.

Surviving are a son, Dr. Allan M. Radinsky of Pittsburgh; two daughters, Alexandra Danburg of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and Sharon Maruski of Bethel Park; three grandsons, Brian Scott Radinsky and J. Andrew and John A. Maruski; a great-grandson and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are four sisters, Elizabeth Polk, Frances Polaski, Ann Malicki and Josephine "Shooks" Piccioni. OS

Gertrude Clarice Hertig

Grange member formerly
of West Alexander



Gertrude Clarice Hertig, 89, formerly of West Alexander and Century Plaza, West Chestnut Street, Washington, died at 7 a.m.

Friday, October 31, 2003, in Tandem Health Care Facility, Canonsburg, after a lengthy illness.

She was born June 26, 1914, in Washington, a daughter of Clarence Sylvester and Iva Billingsly Young.

Mrs. Hertig was a homemaker and enjoyed spending time with her family.

She was a member of the grange.

On April 26, 1941, she married John A. Hertig, who died in February 1996.

Surviving are a son, John S. (Jack) Hertig of Tolar, Texas; two daughters, Brenda Wilkerson of Claysville and Carole Ann Melton of Dickinson, Texas; two sisters, Beulah Ritchie of Washington and Margaret Heatly of Connecticut; nine grandchildren, Heath and Coy Wilkerson, Holly Stewart, J.D. and Sabrina Hertig, Leslie Ellis, Susan Boatright, Shawn Melton and Tracey Andrew; eight great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are seven brothers, Clyde, Herbert, Harold, Myron, Howard, Clarence and Andrew Young; and seven sisters, Florence Phillips, Romaine Baker, Ethel McIlroy, Mary Miller, Dorothy Troutman and Evelyn and Thelma Young. CL

Thelma Kersnick

McDonald homemaker

Thelma Kersnick, 78, of McDonald, Mt. Pleasant Township, died Sunday, October 26, 2003, in her home.

She was born January 26, 1925, a daughter of George W. and Icy Westball Stanley.

Mrs. Kersnick was a homemaker who made and sold Jolly TK Clowns.

Her husband, Paul Kersnick, is deceased.

Surviving are eight sons, Terry Ray of McMurray, Jim and George Springer, both of McDonald, Donald Springer of Mercer, Robert Springer of Fair Oaks, Paul Kersnick Jr. of Canonsburg and Timothy and Christopher Kersnick, both of Maryland; 20 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Deceased, in addition to her husband, are a brother and six sisters.

Mildred Caldwell Nichols

Longtime director of Visiting
Nurses Association

Mildred Caldwell Nichols, 87, of Washington, formerly of Hickory, died Wednesday, October 29, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington, following a brief illness.

She was born March 9, 1916, in Hickory, a daughter of James and Bessie Miller Caldwell.

Mrs. Nichols was a member of Church of the Covenant in Washington.

She was a 1934 graduate of Hickory High School and a 1938 graduate of Washington Hospital School of Nursing.

During World War II, Mrs. Nichols served as a first lieutenant in the Army Nurse Corps with the 58th General Hospital in the European Theater.

She was the director of Visiting Nurses Association of Washington County for 33 years.

Mrs. Nichols was a board member of Washington Hospital Alumni Association and a volunteer for Hospice of Washington County.

On August 15, 1953, she married Dean M. Nichols, who died November 25, 1995.

Surviving are a sister, Helen J. Caldwell of Washington; two nephews, Larry W. Caldwell of Hickory and Gary L. Caldwell of Turkey; and a niece, Cathy C. Mitchell of Murrysville.

Deceased are a sister, Louise Caldwell; and a brother, James A. Caldwell. MP

Ernest Palm Borrelli

Owner of Ernie's Appliance
Store in Canonsburg

Ernest Palm Borrelli, 85, of Washington, formerly of Canonsburg, died at 7:45 p.m. Sunday, November 2, 2003, in his home.

He was born March 24, 1918, in Canonsburg, a son of Salvatore and Mary Bastio Borrelli.

Mr. Borrelli was a member of St. Patrick Roman Catholic Church in Canonsburg.

He was the owner of Ernie's Appliance Store in Canonsburg for 30 years.

Mr. Borrelli was an avid fisherman and antique collector.

On July 27, 1947, he married Melinda Falconi, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Judy Caldwell of Yountville, Calif., and Paula Polochak of Canonsburg; three grandchildren, Jacob and Jessica Polochak and Michael Angelo Caldwell; and many nieces and nephews.

Deceased are four brothers, Alfred "Chinsey," Carmen, Sam "Muzzel" and Frank Borrelli; and a sister, Amelia Gessler.

Mr. Borrelli was the last of his immediate family. WF

Jay R. Wolfe

Retired insurance broker
from Houston

Jay R. Wolfe, 69, of Houston, died Thursday, October 30, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born November 21, 1933, in Houston, a son of Wade H. and Eva Marie Starkey Wolfe.

Mr. Wolfe was a 1951 graduate of Chartiers High School.

He was a self-employed insurance broker with Automotive Service Councils for 38 years before retiring in 1995.

He also had worked for the former Pennsylvania Transformer in Canonsburg, where he had handled payroll for 18 years.

He was a member of Canon Lodge 204 Knights of Pythias in Canonsburg and First United Presbyterian Church of Houston.

Surviving are two sons, Scott R. Wolfe of Hickory and Mark H. Wolfe of Houston; two grandchildren, Mikaela J. and Mackenzie M. Ondek; and a brother, Jack A. Wolfe of Gainesville, Ga.

Deceased is a brother, James E. Wolfe.

Mary Ellen King

Member of West Middletown
Christian Church

Mary Ellen King, 90, of Avella, died at 4:55 a.m. Monday, November 3, 2003, in her home.

She was born January 25, 1913, in Rea, a daughter of Worthington and Anna Holmes Fowler.

Mrs. King attended Hickory High School and was a member of West Middletown Christian Church.

She was a homemaker who enjoyed gardening and farming.

On September 21, 1933, she married James Wilson King, who died January 5, 1964.

Surviving are three sons, James David and Robert Jackson King, both of Avella, and Donald Ray King of Washington; three daughters, Ruth Marlene Wade of Stow, Ohio, Shirley Ann Kelley of Avella and Margaret Louise (Peggy) DiGiacinto of Wellsburg, W.Va.; a brother, Harry David Fowler of Rea; six sisters, Anna Faye Milvet of Rea, Emma Starnisky and Martha Collins, both of Avella, Edna Pepe of Follansbee, W.Va., Elsie Buchanan of Bethany, W.Va., and Ruth Stalkovich of Aliquippa; 13 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Deceased are three sons, William Jackson and Albert Dean Fowler and a son who died in infancy; a grandson, James Everett Kelley III; and a sister, Edith Fisher.

In the obituary of Mary Ellen King, published Tuesday, misidentified were two deceased brothers, William Jackson Fowler and Albert Dean Fowler.

Robert L. deNormandie

*Ceramic engineer
born in Washington*

Robert Lawrence deNormandie, 78, of Telford, Tenn, died Friday, October 24, 2003, in a Tennessee health-care facility from complications following surgery.

He was born July 1, 1925, in Washington, an only child of Thomas Atchison and Mary Lawrence deNormandie.

During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army Air Forces as a pilot. Serving his country was one of the proudest times of his life. Flying was one of his many loves, and he enjoyed reminiscing with family and friends about those years.

Mr. deNormandie was a civil engineering graduate of University of Pittsburgh.

After a career in glass manufacturing as a ceramic engineer with several patents to his name, he retired in 1990 as head of technical services at AFG Industries in Kingsport, Tenn.

Surviving are his wife of 53 years, Anne Dows Evans deNormandie; a son, Robert Lawrence deNormandie Jr.; a daughter, Margaret deNormandie Roos; and six grandchildren, Lauren, Jaumaire, Evan, Wesley, Alex and Katie.

Arrangements are incomplete and being handled by Snyder's Funeral Home, Gray, Tenn. **IN**

Amelia Vettorel

*Former owner of Vettorel
Dairy Farm in Avella*

Amelia Vettorel, 80, of Hickory, died at 6:45 p.m. Friday, November 7, 2003, in the home of her daughter, Sandra M. Craft, in Kennedy, N.Y.

She was born April 25, 1923, in New Bethlehem, a daughter of Frank and Angeline Rossi Bonetti.

Until their retirement in 1987, she and her husband, John, owned and operated Vettorel Dairy Farm in Avella.

On December 30, 1944, she married John Vettorel, who died May 10, 1999.

Surviving are a daughter, Sandra M. Craft of Kennedy, N.Y.; two sons, John Vettorel of Oakdale and Robert Vettorel of Dalton; 10 grandchildren, Rachelle Hergenroeder, Jessica Hickman, Amanda and Robert Craft and Robert, Richard, Sara, Seth, Rebecca and Jason Vettorel; and a great-grandson, Brandon Vettorel.

Deceased, in addition to her husband and parents, is a brother, Louis Bonetti, who died in 1977. **F**

Janet B. Hays

*Hickory resident was Blue Cross
and Blue Shield retiree*

Janet B. Hays, 64, of Hickory, died Saturday, November 1, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington.

She was born November 17, 1938, in Pittsburgh, a daughter of the late William Earl and Ruth Marie Atkinson Beckert.

Mrs. Hays was a coder processor, employed by Blue Cross and Blue Shield. She retired in 1996.

On July 7, 1984, she married Frank "Dutch" Hays, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, April Servetnick of Scott Township and Janet Boneysteele of Green Tree; two sons, Michael Servetnick of Lawrence and David Servetnick of Hickory; a sister, Amanda "Sis" Dorroh of Alabama; two brothers, William "Bounce" Beckert of Shaler and Harry Beckert of Sharon; four stepdaughters, Tracy Kelley of Lone Pine, Mary Frances of Washington, Nikki Bedillion of St. Albans, W.Va., and Laura Russel of Bentleyville; two granddaughters, Christina Servetnick and Jenna Boneysteele; a grandson, Brian Servetnick; seven stepgrandsons, Benjamin and Brandon Hays, Isaiah and Austie Russel, Ethan and Devin Kelley and Samuel Bedillion; and two stepgranddaughters, Amanda Kelley and Brooke Bedillion.

Deceased are a sister, Ruth Kauffield, and a brother, George Beckert. **QH**

Incorrect information was provided for the obituary of Janet B. Hays, published Sunday. Misidentified were a daughter, April Servetnick of Castle Shannon; a stepdaughter, Mary Frances Hays of Washington; and a stepgranddaughter, Austie Russel.

Mary A. Roberts

*Worked as nurse's aide
at Woodville State Hospital*

Mary A. Roberts, 89, of McDonald, died Thursday, November 13, 2003, in McMurray Hills Manor.

She was born November 20, 1913, in McDonald, a daughter of Francis Marion and Alice Swartzfriger Hunt.

Mrs. Roberts retired as a nurse's aide at Woodville State

On June 26, 1937, she married John F. Roberts, who died March 3, 1984.

Surviving are two nieces, Marian Hunt Callen and Mildred Mountain.

Deceased are four infant sons; two brothers, Charles and Francis Hunt; and two sisters, Mildred Reboul and Charlotte Hunt. **RR**

Gerald C. Brockman

*Employee of Nation Funeral
Home in McDonald*

Gerald C. "Jeep" Brockman, 79, of Midway, died Thursday, November 6, 2003, in his home.

He was born November 27, 1923, in Midway, a son of William N. and Viola Irene Purdy Brockman.

Mr. Brockman was a retired foreman from Millcraft Products Inc. of Washington, where he worked for more than 20 years before retiring in 1988. He also had been an employee of Nation Funeral Home Inc. of McDonald the past 20 years.

He served in the 359th Infantry, 90th Infantry Division of the U.S. Army during World War II. **He**

On June 6, 1947, he married Wilma Jean Emerick, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Gary L. Brockman of Midway; a brother, G. Wayne Brockman of Tempe, Ariz.; a sister, Agnes I. "Lou" Williamson of Midway; and a granddaughter, Michelle L. Brockman.

Deceased are three brothers, Lyle N., Thomas L. and William L. Brockman. **RR**

11-6-03

CANONSBURG - Investigators are considering drugs as a possible motive in the slaying of two men whose bodies were found Tuesday inside a North Strabane Township bar.

The victims, Frederick Brilla, 50, of Canonsburg, and Martin J. Brahler, 40, of Venetia, were "actively involved in drug trafficking," state police stated in an affidavit seeking a search warrant in the case.

An unidentified customer of Price's Tavern on Route 19 found the men, both shot once in the head, when he went inside to purchase a six-pack of beer. Brahler was working as a bartender at the time of the murders, and Brilla was a regular customer. **↑**

Frederick Brilla

Resident of Canonsburg

Frederick (Fred) Brilla, 50, of Canonsburg, died Tuesday, November 4, 2003.

He was born October 30, 1953, in Canonsburg, a son of Virginia Brilla and the late Alfred Brilla.

Surviving, in addition to his mother are, two daughters, Toni and Shannon; a sister, Marcia; and a brother, Michael. **OS**

James J. Augustine

*McDonald man retired
from Blawnox Steel*

James J. Augustine, 93, of McDonald, died Monday, October 27, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born May 25, 1910, in Paris, a son of Anthony and Divina Pasqualeni Augustine.

Mr. Augustine was a production pipefitter for Lewis Foundry Division of Blawnox Steel for 30 years, retiring in 1972. He previously worked for Wabash Railroad in Carnegie.

He was a member of United Steelworkers of America.

On February 27, 1931, he married Julia Edna Plance, who died August 1, 1976.

Surviving are a son, James E. Augustine of McDonald; two daughters, Alice M. Caltumo of McDonald and Shirley M. Borovich of Midway; a sister, Helen McCullough of Hookstown; six grandchildren, Cindy Coupe, Randy Taylor, Daniel Borovich, Susan Smith, Sandra Toulouse and Debbie Miller; nine great-grandchildren; and two stepgreat-grandchildren.

Deceased are four brothers, Louis, Frank, Raymond and George Augustine. **RR**

Additional information was received for the obituary of James J. Augustine, published Tuesday. Deceased is a sister, Ida Bertloti.

Jane D. Rush

*West Middletown resident
involved in Avella Athletics Inc.*

Jane D. Rush, 66, of West Middletown, died at 2:15 a.m. Thursday, November 6, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington.

She was born September 3, 1937, in Washington, a daughter of Herbert and Margaret Perrin Rohr.

Mrs. Rush was a member of Grove United Presbyterian Church of West Middletown.

She attended Avella schools and later worked for Bobbie Brooks for 14 years.

On November 1, 1954, in First Presbyterian Church of Washington, she married Albert "Abbie" Rush, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Don "Duck" Rush of Avella, Albert "Abbie" Rush of Triadelphia, W.Va., and Stan Rush of Washington; four grandsons, Donny, Chas, Abbie and Bryce Rush; four sisters, Jean Robinson of McKeesport, Betty Kristoff of Pickerington, Ohio, Nadine Peterson of Coraopolis and Barbara Dellovade of McMurray; and two brothers, Ken Rohr of Washington and Herb Rohr of Naples, Fla. **WM**

Grace B. Washabaugh

Member of Canonsburg United Presbyterian Church

Grace B. Washabaugh, 93, of Canonsburg, died Monday, November 10, 2003.

She was born June 9, 1910, in Bridgeville, a daughter of George and Anna Elizabeth Bierwerth Bowers.

During the 1940s, Mrs. Washabaugh and her husband operated a fruit farm on Ridge Avenue in Canonsburg. She delivered many bushels of apples in the Canonsburg area.

She was a member of Canonsburg United Presbyterian Church.

On June 5, 1931, she married John Fulton Washabaugh, who died May 23, 1995.

Surviving are a daughter, Betty Roessler, and a son, Robert Washabaugh, both of Canonsburg; a brother, Carl Bowers of Delta, Colo.; seven grandchildren, Jay and Donald Roessler, Linda Smiley, Robert Jr., John and William Washabaugh and Robin Smith; 11 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are three brothers, Raymond, George and John Bowers, who was killed in World War II; five sisters, Hazel Wright, Elsie Bowers, who died in infancy, Mae Jackson, Anna Bowland and Lillian Banc. OS

James W. Wiegmann

WWII vet was retired from Children's Palace

James W. Wiegmann, 83, of Yorkville, Ohio, formerly of Avella, died at 4:10 p.m. Friday, November 14, 2003, in East Ohio Regional Hospital, Martins Ferry, Ohio.

He was born June 26, 1920, in Avella, a son of James M. and Sophia Gertrude Stewart Wiegmann.

Mr. Wiegmann was a 1937 graduate of Avella High School and Penn Commercial.

He served in the U.S. Army as a staff sergeant during World War II.

Mr. Wiegmann was a salesman and assistant manager of Children's Palace, from where he retired in 1985.

On November 5, 1943, he married Mary Louise Painter, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, James Roger Wiegmann of Highland Village, Texas; a daughter, Terry Ann Curnutte of Carroll, Ohio; two grandchildren, James Charles and Sarah Wiegmann; and two brothers, Robert S. Wiegmann of Colliers, W.Va. and George L. Wiegmann of San Diego, Calif. WP

William Albert Weber

Wellsburg resident raised and showed ponies

William Albert Weber, 79, of Wellsburg, W.Va., died Wednesday, November 12, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

He was born August 17, 1924, in Houston, a son of Robert Sr. and Bessie Mae Sickles Weber.

Mr. Weber was a graduate of Chartiers High School.

He served in the U.S. Marine Corps as a radar operator during World War II.

Mr. Weber was employed by Findlay Refractories for 13 years until retiring in 1982.

He was a member of AARP and a past member of Washington County Fair Board. He raised and showed ponies and was an avid breeder of Dalmatians.

Mr. Weber was a resident of the Wellsburg area for the past 11 years.

Surviving are a brother, Robert Weber Jr. of Hickory; and a sister, Aurelia Smith of Washington.

Deceased is a brother, Richard Weber.

Dennis James Boyan

Canonsburg man enjoyed Pittsburgh sports teams

Dennis James Boyan, 38, of Canonsburg, died at 8 p.m. Monday, November 10, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born May 7, 1965, in Canonsburg, a son of James Edward and Mary Ann Koch Boyan of Canonsburg.

Mr. Boyan was a member of St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Canonsburg.

He was a 1984 graduate of Canon-McMillan High School and attended Western Area Vocational-Technical School. Mr. Boyan worked at the ARC Workshop in Meadow Lands from 1984 to 1994. He also worked at Hoss's Restaurant in Canonsburg.

He was an avid Steelers, Pirates and Penguins fan

Surviving, in addition to his parents, are a sister, Cindy Spalla of Canonsburg; a niece, Shanna Spalla; a nephew, Zachary Spalla; and many aunts and uncles.

Deceased are paternal grandparents, Steve and Evelyn Popich Boyan; and maternal grandparents, Edward and Elizabeth Moore Hoch. OS

Thelma Bruno

Member of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Burgettstown

Thelma Bruno, 85, of Burgettstown, died Sunday, November 9, 2003, in Mercy Hospital, Pittsburgh.

She was born April 4, 1918, in Jefferson Township, a daughter of William and Fredricka O'Hara Howard.

Mrs. Bruno was a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church in Burgettstown.

Her husband, Peter Bruno, died December 7, 1975.

Surviving are two sons, William Bruno of Follansbee, W.Va., and Thomas Bruno of Fairfield Glade, Tenn.; two daughters, Fredricka Matalik of Burgettstown and May Yeager of Carnegie; and a brother, Ken Howard of Burgettstown.

Deceased are a brother, William Howard; and a sister, Bertha Howard, who died in infancy. RR

Albert J. Klimas Sr.

Postal carrier was bartender at McDonald tavern

Albert J. Klimas Sr., 69, of Bulger, died Sunday, November 9, 2003, in his home.

He was born August 10, 1934, a son of Leon and Stephanie Nea Klimas.

Mr. Klimas was a letter carrier for the U.S. Postal Service and a bartender at Patrick's Tavern in McDonald for 12 years.

Surviving are his wife, Rose Celi Klimas; his former wife, Jean Haun of McDonald; seven children, Albert Klimas Jr. of Oakland, Michael Klimas and Terri McLean, both of McDonald, Sally Klimas of Washington state, Albert Klimas Jr. of Pittsburgh and Michalene Wilson and Kevin Stewart, both of Bulger; a brother, Robert Klimas of McDonald; a sister, Mary Ann Pehr of Moon Township; 12 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Dallas M. Carns

Burgettstown man enjoyed Mountaineer Gaming Resort

Dallas M. (Dale) Carns, 64, of Burgettstown, Smith Township, died Tuesday, December 30, 2003, in Trinity West Hospital, Steubenville, Ohio.

He was born December 11, 1939, in Atlasburg, a son of Myron and Doris McKee Carns.

On August 10, 1979, he married Cathie Surgenor Carns, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Jared M. Carns at home; and a brother, Donald Carns of Washington. MP

Paul R. Morgan

Member of Richard Vaux Lodge and United Mine Workers

Paul R. Morgan, 94, of Washington, formerly of Burgettstown, died Saturday, November 8, 2003, in Presbyterian Senior Care, Washington.

He was born March 28, 1909, in Washington, a son of Frank and Grace Bedillion Morgan.

He is survived by his wife, Lois McClay Morgan of Washington.

Also surviving are a daughter, Patricia M. Miller of McDonald; two sons, Paul R. Morgan of Washington and James M. Morgan of Kingwood, Tenn.; nine grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Deceased, in addition to his parents, are a granddaughter, Erin Myles, who died September 24, 2001; a sister, Elsa M. Johnston; and two brothers, Floyd and Nelson Morgan. FL

Rev. Dr. William D. Auld

Claysville native

Dr. William D. Auld, 78, formerly of Claysville, died Sunday, November 9, 2003, in Claremont, Calif., following a lengthy illness.

He was born December 6, 1924, in Claysville, a son of William and Myrtle Bruner Auld.

Dr. Auld was a 1942 graduate of Claysville High School, a 1948 graduate of Waynesburg College and a 1951 graduate of Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. In 1957, he received his master's degree from the University of Pittsburgh and earned his doctor of divinity degree from San Francisco Theological Seminary in 1973.

He formerly served as the dean of students at Waynesburg College and was an associate pastor with Washington Presbytery. He served several churches in the West Greene and Waynesburg areas prior to moving to California in 1959.

He was a veteran of World War II, where he served with the U.S. Army in the First Army Headquarters Artillery in the Pacific and European theaters of war and the Philippine Islands.

On December 27, 1951, he married Ruth Livingood, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Lynn Auld Ebling of Seattle, Wash.; a son, W. David Auld of San Francisco, Calif.; a sister, Mary A. Carter of Claysville; a brother, John Auld of Vincennes, Ind.; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a sister, Dorothy A. Miller; and a brother, Roy A. Auld.

All services are being held in the state of California.

Edith I. Huber Stimpson

Edith I. Huber Stimpson, 76, of Washington, formerly of Hickory, Mt. Pleasant Township, died Sunday, November 16, 2003, in Presbyterian SeniorCare, Washington.

She was born July 29, 1927, in Cross Creek Township, a daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth Stacey Huber.

Her husband, Allison Guy Stimpson, died August 15, 2001.

Surviving are three sons, Richard Stimpson of Florida, Ronald Stimpson of Washington and Larry Stimpson of Independence Township; two daughters, Bonnie Morris and Sherry Lee Chestnut, both of Washington; seven grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; two sisters, Ruth Hampe of Washington and Mary Ann Palumbo of Ohio; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased, in addition to her parents and husband, are a son, Kenneth Stimpson; and a brother, William Huber. CC

Gladys O. Howell Shaffer

Eighty Four resident waitress at Jefferson Room

Gladys Olive Howell Shaffer, 75, of Eighty Four, formerly of Canonsburg, died Wednesday, November 26, 2003, in Washington County Health Center, Washington.

She was born January 21, 1928, in Bentleyville, a daughter of Edward and Olive Jordan Howell.

She was a resident of the Canonsburg-Houston area since 1951.

Prior to retirement, she was employed as a waitress at the Jefferson Room in Canonsburg and had worked as an assembler at RCA in Meadow Lands.

Surviving are her husband, Andrew J. Shaffer; two daughters, Phyllis Balaschak of Whitehall and Brenda Celento of Eighty Four; two brothers, Ronald Howell of Lorain, Ohio, and Robert Howell of Amherst, Ohio; two sisters, Donna Smith and Twila Harrell, both of Amherst; three grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. OS

Valeria Sue Armstrong

Resident of Sturgeon

Valeria Sue Armstrong, 60, of Sturgeon, formerly of Cecil, died Wednesday, November 19, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born July 2, 1943, in Waynesburg, a daughter of Harold and Maude Kerr Weaver.

Mrs. Armstrong retired in June 2003 from Mayview State Hospital, South Fayette Township, where she was employed as a psychiatric aide.

Her husband, George M. Armstrong, died November 15, 2002. MP

Frank DeCook Jr.

Avella coal miner and farmer

Frank DeCook Jr., 89, of Avella, died at 2:15 p.m. Monday, November 17, 2003, in his home.

He was born January 27, 1914, in Belgium, a son of Frank Sr. and Cecilia DeCook.

Mr. DeCook was a coal miner for 30 years and a farmer for 25 years.

He had been a resident of the Avella area since 1967.

His wife, Juanita Harris DeCook, is deceased.

Surviving are a son, Frank L. DeCook of Avella; three sisters, Ida Kortyna and Denise Vermeulen, both of Joffre, and Marie Cunningham of Florence; and many nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a daughter who died in infancy; two sisters, Celestine Moore and Frances Thomas; and three brothers, Joseph, Victor and Bud DeCook.

Services will be private. Jerome A. Stefkovich Funeral Home Inc., Avella, is in charge of arrangements.

Samuel W. Sickles

Samuel W. Sickles, 51, of North Franklin Township, died at 5:12 p.m. Wednesday, November 26, 2003, in Washington Hospital, following a one-week illness.

He was born August 15, 1952, in Washington, a son of Madeline Adams Sickles of North Franklin Township and the late Wilbert W. Sickles.

Mr. Sickles was a sales representative for Penn Veterinary Supply Co. Inc. of Lancaster.

He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church of Washington.

Mr. Sickles was a 1970 graduate of Trinity High School and a 1974 graduate of Waynesburg College, where he majored in biology.

He enjoyed animals and working on his horse farm.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are two sisters, Kathy Sickles of North Franklin Township and Deborah Cook of Chipewa Township; two nephews; and many aunts and uncles. W

Surviving are three sons, George Martin Armstrong of Corapolis and Terry Lee and John Melvin Armstrong, both at home; two sisters, Shirley Long of Sherman Dale and Sheila Burgard of Houston, Texas; a brother, Robert Weaver of Washington; four grandchildren, Trever and Tanner Armstrong and Anthony and Bryan Talerico; and a great-grandson.

Deceased is a child who died in infancy. MP

Raymond D. Faure Sr.

Miller Centrifugal Casting retiree was lifelong Cecil resident

Raymond D. Faure Sr., 69, of Cecil Township, died Wednesday, November 19, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born August 24, 1934, in Cecil, a son of Henry and Marie Schreiner Faure.

Mr. Faure had been employed at Miller Centrifugal Casting Co. in Cecil, retiring because of disability in 1991.

He was a member of Muse Independent Club and Slovenian National Home of Bishop.

Mr. Faure was a lifetime resident of Cecil Township and enjoyed hunting and gardening.

Surviving are his wife, Patsy Hall Faure; two daughters, Jo Ann Lemley of McDonald and Jodie Cowden of Avella; three sons, Raymond D. Jr. of McDonald, James of Marianna and Jason Faure, at home; seven grandchildren, Tara, Jenna, and Brittany Lemley, Alexis, McKenzie and Aaron Faure and McKena Cowden; a great-grandson; a sister, Lois Stutts of Muse; and a brother, Robert Faure of Cecil Township.

Deceased are two brothers, Regis and Norman Faure.

St. Mary's Cemetery.

Anna Lou Blayney Burig

RCA employee was member of Claysville Christian Church

Anna Lou Blayney Burig, 85, of Washington, died Monday, November 24, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born February 28, 1918, near Good Intent, a daughter of Carson and Carrie Wolfe Blayney.

Mrs. Burig was a member of Claysville Christian Church.

She was a 1935 graduate of Claysville High School and was employed for 25 years by RCA in Meadow Lands.

Mrs. Burig was a member of West Finley Grange and Daughters of the American Revolution, Washington Chapter.

She enjoyed flower gardening, baking and playing cards.

On April 16, 1936, in West Alexander Presbyterian Church parsonage, she married Earle E. Burig, who died June 30, 1995.

Surviving are four sons, Eugene and Doug Burig, both of Washington, Richard Burig of West Alexander and James Burig of Birdsboro; seven grandchildren, Joseph, Douglas, Michael and Linsley Burig, Jody B. Wood and Erica and Ashley Jestat; three great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are three brothers, Paul, Robert and Orrin (Pete) Blayney; and a sister, Martha Stringer. WA

Paul C. Wilson Jr.

WWII vet was loan officer for Pittsburgh National Bank

Paul C. Wilson Jr., 77, of McDonald, died Saturday, November 15, 2003, in McMurray Hills Manor, McMurray.

He was born April 6, 1926, in McDonald, a son of Paul C. and Jeannette Randour Wilson Sr.

Mr. Wilson was a 1944 graduate of McDonald High School and earned a bachelor of science degree from the University of Pittsburgh.

He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II.

Mr. Wilson was a commercial loan officer and was employed by Pittsburgh National Bank. He retired in 1989 after 31 years of service.

He was a member of St. Alphonsus Roman Catholic Church, McDonald, and St. Vincent DePaul Society.

On July 28, 1951, he married Shirley Mehall, who survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Mary Hill and Jeanne Brytus, both of McDonald, and Kathy Stamer of Leesburg, Va.; a son, Christopher Wilson of Grove City; a brother, Jack Wilson of Sun City West, Ariz.; and 11 grandchildren, Patty Hill, Paul, David and Kathleen Brytus, Erin, Kate and Daniel Stamer and Ashley, Caroline, Austin and Emma Wilson. RR

Marjorie J. Carson

Received Friend of 4-H Award



Marjorie J. (Joye) Carson, 85, of Claysville, formerly of Washington, died Monday, November 17, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born May 31, 1918, in Washington, a daughter of James M. and Edna Stewart McAllister.

Mrs. Carson was a member of North Buffalo Presbyterian Church and Order of Eastern Star. She was a secretary for the Agricultural Extension Office and received the Friend of 4-H Award.

She worked as a secretary for Washington & Jefferson College.

Mrs. Carson was a graduate of Trinity High School and Washington Business College.

On November 10, 1945, she married William Henry Carson, who died February 6, 1992.

Surviving are a daughter, Ann C. Gillett of Greensburg; two brothers, James Stewart McAllister of Phoenix, Ariz., and Robert Grant McAllister of Harrisburg; two grandchildren, Jennifer Ann and Jeannine Marie Gillett; one niece; three nephews; and several great-nieces and great-nephews. CL

Augusta Joan Blanchon

Avid camper from McDonald



Augusta Joan Blanchon, 65, of McDonald, died Saturday, November 22, 2003, in her home.

She was born August 17, 1938, in McDonald, a daughter of the late Mark and Evelyn Hagerman Denny.

Mrs. Blachon was an avid camper who spent many days enjoying camping at Wildwood Acres Campground in Andover, Ohio.

Surviving are two daughters, Jamie L. Devos Oravetz Stevens and Jodi L. Blanchon, both of McDonald; a son, James A. Devos of Kennedy Township; two stepdaughters, Sandra Heuley of McDonald and Mary Lou Booth of Washington; a stepson, Lenny Blanchon of McDonald; two sisters, Jean Wesoloski of Chicora and Janice Robinson of Butler; two brothers, Jack Denny of Allentown and Jeff Denny of McDonald; a stepsister, Roberta Alrutz of Midway; three stepbrothers, Bob Shoup of Weirton, W.Va., John Shoup of Aliquippa and Don Shoup of Bridgeville; four grandchildren; and 13 stepgrandchildren.

RR

Cecelia Carter

Member of First United Methodist Church, McDonald

Cecelia "Sis" Carter, 86, of McDonald, died Saturday, November 22, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born January 31, 1917, in Imperial, a daughter of Octave and Mary Leunis Meute.

Mrs. Carter was a homemaker who enjoyed tole painting and ceramics. She enjoyed playing cards and bingo, and taking trips to Atlantic City, N.J., and Mountaineer Park and Gaming Resort in Chester, W.Va.

She was a member of First United Methodist Church in McDonald and Variety Girls Bowling League.

On August 15, 1945, she married Joseph E. Carter, who died August 17, 1991.

Surviving are a daughter, Tamara Oblock of Oakdale; a son, Kevin Carter of Midway; and two grandchildren, Julianne and Joseph Carter.

Deceased are two brothers, Raymond and Octave Meute; and two sisters, Eleanor Ebel and Vera Lintula.

RR

Harry T. Carroll

LTV retired millwright from Cross Creek

Harry T. Carroll, 74, of Cross Creek, died Tuesday, November 25, 2003, in UPMC-Presbyterian hospital, Pittsburgh.

He was born September 14, 1929, in Cross Creek, a son of Joseph and Rose Newman Carroll.

Mr. Carroll was a graduate of Hickory High School and served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

He retired from LTV Steel as a millwright.

Mr. Carroll was a member of Cross Creek Presbyterian Church, where he participated in its dartball team and served on the cemetery board.

On June 20, 1957, he married Martha Jane Nelson, who survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Karen Warnock of Avella and Brenda and Lisa Carroll, both of Cross Creek; a son, Thomas Carroll of Zelienople; four grandchildren, Joseph Jr. and Gregory A. Warnock and Tiffany and Mark Carroll; and a brother, James Carroll of Monaca.

Deceased are a brother, Joseph Carroll; and two sisters, Helen Oliverio and Dorothy Gunnell.

CC

Anna Bertha Semple

Washington homemaker



Anna Bertha Semple, 77, of Washington, died at 9:15 p.m. Monday, December 1, 2003, in her home, following a brief

illness.

She was born September 8, 1926, in Oil City, a daughter of Joseph and Mary Receik Klinko.

Mrs. Semple was a homemaker and loved dogs.

Her first husband, Donald Wareham Semple, died July 30, 1966.

Her second husband, Dean Martine Lazear, survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Theodore Semple of Canonsburg and Michael and Ronald Semple, both of Washington; two daughters, Judith Semple Clemens and Cheryl Semple Bauer, both of Washington; two brothers, Jim Klinko of Las Vegas, Nev., and John Klinko of Buffalo, N.Y.; a sister, Irene Klinko Monroe of Pittsburgh; 11 grandchildren, Vicki Riggle, Brigitte Semple Smutney, Michele Clemens Walker, Scott Clemens, Stacy Bauer and Michael Jr., Kristina, Nathan, Kylie, Connor and Preston Semple; and seven great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two brothers, Billy Klinko and Ed (Julius) Klinko; and four sisters, Edith Thorpe, Mary Bowers, Rose Klinko and Susie K. Leavitt.

NB

Mary Lou Hardy

Washington native

Mary Lou Walters Hardy, 74, of Smiths Grove, Ky., died at 10:03 p.m. Wednesday, November 19, 2003, in Medical Center in Bowling Green, Ky.

She was a daughter of Thomas E. and Ruth Ahrns Walters.

Mrs. Hardy was a native of Washington County and a resident of Warren County since 1947.

A licensed funeral director since July 13, 1965, she and her husband owned and operated Hardy and Son Funeral Homes in Bowling Green and Smiths Grove.

Mrs. Hardy was a member of Jackson Grove Baptist Church and Smiths Grove Women's Club.

Her husband of 55 years, William B. Hardy Sr., survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Brenda Hardy Kirtley of Marietta, Ga.; a son, William B. (Bill) Hardy Jr. of Smiths Grove; a sister, Jean Simpson of Glasgow, Ky.; four grandchildren, Holly, Mallory and Mary Paige Kirtley and William B. (Will) Hardy III; and several nieces and nephews.

Interment in Smiths Grove

William Washabaugh

1985 Chartiers-Houston grad worked for Ross Mould



William Albert Washabaugh, 36, of Canonsburg, died unexpectedly of natural causes Friday, November 28, 2003, in

Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born June 4, 1967, in Washington, a son of Robert G. and Audrey J. Crawford Washabaugh of Canonsburg.

Mr. Washabaugh was a 1985 graduate of Chartiers-Houston High School and Western Area Career and Technology Center, where he graduated with honors.

A former mechanic for Daco Machine in Washington, he worked as a mold maker for Ross Mould in Washington.

Mr. Washabaugh was a member of First United Presbyterian Church in Houston.

On August 26, 1988, he married Lori Ann Hott, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, William Albert Jr. and Joseph Austin Washabaugh; two brothers, Robert G. Jr. and John A. Washabaugh, both of Canonsburg; a sister, Robin Smith of Claysville; his maternal grandmother, Edith Crawford of Canonsburg; an aunt; and three nieces and five nephews.

Deceased are his paternal grandparents, John and Grace Washabaugh; and his maternal grandfather, Alexander Crawford.

OS

Patricia B. Palmer

Member of United Presbyterian Church, Claysville

Patricia B. Palmer, 73, of Washington, formerly of Claysville, died at 11:30 p.m. Sunday, November 23, 2003, in Washington County Health Center, Washington, following a lengthy illness.

She was born September 7, 1930, in West Union, W.Va., a daughter of W.D. and Clarice Underwood Burdette.

Mrs. Palmer was a member of United Presbyterian Church in Claysville.

She was a 1948 graduate of Claysville High School and attended Penn Commercial business school.

On March 11, 1955, in Winchester, Va., she married James Walker Palmer, who died September 3, 1971.

Surviving are two daughters, Laura Morris of Washington and Ellen Louise Palmer of Philadelphia; a sister, Leona Richmond of Columbia, S.C.; and two grandchildren, Natasha Lynn and Andrew Stephen Morris.

William Edgar McDaid

Self-employed as garbage hauler

William Edgar McDaid, 80, of Eighty Four, died at 1:50 p.m. Friday, November 28, 2003, in Presbyterian Medical Center, Washington, following an eight-year illness.

He was born October 23, 1923, in Buffalo, a son of Joseph Edgar and Mary Grace McNeely McDaid.

Mr. McDaid was a member of Viewcrest Presbyterian Church in Eighty Four.

He was a welder for McGraw-Edison for 25 years and was self-employed as a garbage hauler for 45 years.

Mr. McDaid was an avid NASCAR fan and enjoyed woodcrafting, landscaping, working in his yard and gardening.

During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army in Panama.

On September 23, 1950, he married Mary Evelyn Powell, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, William Bruce McDaid of Butler; a daughter, Linda Marie McDaid of Bethel Park; two brothers, Edward Glenn and Harold McDaid, both of Eighty Four; a sister, Helen Jones of Washington; three grandchildren, Janice Kubacki, Julie Ann Hollerman and Justin Aaron McDaid; and three great-grandchildren.

A brother, Arthur McDaid, is deceased.

Mt. Zion Cemetery, Ginger Hill.

Harold B. Porter

*U.S. Army vet was retired
Donegal Twp. police chief*



Harold B. Porter, 76, of Claysville, died Friday, November 28, 2003, in the Washington Hospital emergency room.

He was born November 20, 1927, in Richhill Township, a son of Harley S. and Jessie Newland Porter.

Mr. Porter was a member of Claysville United Methodist Church.

He served in the U.S. Army as a private with the military police and also served as a ward attendant.

Mr. Porter was a policeman in Claysville for eight years and retired as the chief of police for Donegal Township following 22 years of service. He also owned and operated Porter's Small Engine Repairs.

Mr. Porter enjoyed helping youths in the community. He also enjoyed camping and working on small engines.

On February 28, 1948, he married Mabel Minor, who survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Mabel Jean Porter of Claysville, and Barbara Mounts and Sandra Rogers, both of Washington; and two grandsons, Scott and Patrick Mounts.

Mr. Porter was the last of his immediate family.

Deceased in addition to his parents, are three brothers, Delbert, Loyd and Paul Porter; and a sister, Louise Porter Loehr. **WA**

Mildred J. Blair DeZomba

*Social worker for Pennsylvania
Department of Welfare*

Mildred J. Blair DeZomba, 93, of Canonsburg, died Sunday, November 30, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born May 7, 1910, in McDonald, a daughter of Frank and Celine Blair.

Mrs. DeZomba spent most of her life in Canonsburg, where she was a member of Canonsburg United Presbyterian Church.

Prior to her retirement, she was employed by Pennsylvania Department of Welfare as a social worker.

Her husband, Frank DeZomba, died February 3, 1949.

She was the last of her immediate family.

Surviving are a son, Frank A. DeZomba of Canonsburg; a nephew; and a niece.

Deceased are three sisters, Margaret Sprowls, Florence Love and Ruth Dowler. **OS**

Lillian Gail Ewart

*Washington resident was
bookkeeper for Fisher Florist*

Lillian Gail Ewart, 74, of Washington, died at 6:25 p.m. Monday, December 1, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born June 12, 1929, in Washington, a daughter of Clarence M. and Hazel Plants Rhoades.

Mrs. Ewart was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

She was a 1947 graduate of Washington High School and attended Penn Commercial.

Mrs. Ewart was a bookkeeper for Fisher Florist.

On May 7, 1949, she married Calvin C. Ewart, who died January 7, 1990.

Surviving are a daughter, Denise Snedeker of Washington; a sister, Lois Harris of Washington; two grandchildren, Jason Scott Ewart and Peggy Sue Blumer; and a great-grandchild. **NB**

Charles R. Smalley Sr.

*Former deputy constable
in 8th Ward*



Charles R. "Big Chuck" Smalley Sr., 71, of Grove City, formerly of Addison Street, Washington, died Sunday, November

30, 2003.

He was born March 12, 1932, in Grove City, a son of Walter Sr. and Stella Peffer Smalley.

Mr. Smalley was a former truck driver for Aero Trucking.

He was a former deputy constable in the 8th Ward of Washington.

Mr. Smalley enjoyed sports, especially the Pittsburgh Steelers. He enjoyed traveling.

On July 20, 1952, he married Betty R. Crothers, who died August 7, 1996.

Surviving are three sons, The Rev. M. Jay Smalley of Seftner, Fla., and Timothy W. and Charles R. Smalley Jr., both of Washington; a daughter, Pamela J. Miller of Maryland; a brother, Walter Smalley of Winter Haven, Fla.; two sisters, Jane Virtue and Gloria Kufman, both of Grove City; nine grandchildren, Romaine Haskey, Mike, Dawn, Sarah and Chelsey Smalley, Raquel and Allyson Miller, Krista Wade and Baleigh Smalley; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Deceased is a brother, Edward Smalley.

Arrangements are incomplete and are being handled by Hummel and Barnhill Memorial Chapel, Washington. A complete funeral notice will be published in a later edition. **RR**

William A. Porter Sr.

*Member of Local 66
Operating Engineers*



William A. Porter Sr., 65, of Washington, died Monday, December 1, 2003, in his home.

He was born February 23, 1938, in Tunkhannock, a son of Albert W. and Eva May Johnson Porter.

Mr. Porter was a construction worker and worked as an engineer, operating heavy equipment. He was a member of Local 66 Operating Engineers.

He was Protestant and attended Waynesburg Bible Chapel.

Mr. Porter was an avid hunter who loved the outdoors and animals and hunted and fished all his life.

On April 4, 1958, in Washington, he married Mary L. "Mert" Malarkey, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, William A. Porter Jr. of Prosperity; two daughters, Tina L. Weaver and Tammy J. Palfreyman, both of Washington; three sisters, Betty Belcher of Uniontown, Verna Hobart of Salisbury, N.C., and Eva Major of Tunkhannock; seven grandchildren, Beth Ann, Chantel and Zachary Porter, Ryan and Jordan Palfreyman and Maria and Matt Weaver; and many nieces and nephews.

A grandson, Gary Weaver III, is deceased. **WA**

Earl D. Kennedy

*Served with Marines
during Korean War*

Earl D. "Red" Kennedy, 74, of Woodburn Road, Claysville, died Sunday, November 30, 2003, after a 12-year illness.

He was born August 9, 1929, in Donegal Township, a son of Joseph Oake and Pearl Ocie Thompson Kennedy, former Greene County residents.

Mr. Kennedy was a 1947 graduate of Claysville High School.

On May 3, 1951, he married Eleanor Sibert, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Jill Bentfield of West Virginia; two sons, Thomas Earl and Samuel Jeff Kennedy, both of Woodburn Road; a sister, Leota Newman of Burgettstown; four grandsons, Thomas, Matthew Earl, Derek and Adam Kennedy; four granddaughters, Shawna Wise, Ashley Kennedy and Marsha and Michelle Bentfield; and four great-grandchildren.

Deceased are three brothers, Harry, Cecil and James Kennedy. **CL**

Jaimee Ann Tustin

Washington homemaker



Jaimee Ann Tustin, 44, of Washington, died at 6:30 p.m. Friday, December 5, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born June 6, 1959, in Washington, a daughter of James L. and Patricia A. Schott Tustin of Washington.

She was a homemaker and a member of Chartiers Crossroads United Presbyterian Church.

She was a 1977 graduate of Chartiers High School.

Surviving, in addition to her parents, are a daughter, Megan A. Berola of Washington; a sister, Toni Ricker of Washington; two grandchildren, Shylynn and Nia; her maternal grandmother, Edna Schott of Washington; a niece and a nephew. **MP**

James E. O'Donnell

Last of the O'Donnell triplets

James E. O'Donnell, 84, of Cross Creek, died at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, December 7, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital, as a result of a stroke.

He was born March 4, 1919, in Rea, a son of Leo and Bertha White O'Donnell.

He and his deceased sisters, Kathryn Bell and Betty Strazinsky, were triplets.

Mr. O'Donnell resided in Cross Creek for the past 63 years.

He was a World War II veteran, having served in the U.S. Army from 1944 to 1946 in France with the 2836th Engineers Petroleum Distribution Company. He received the European-African-Middle East Service Medal, the Good Conduct Medal and the World War II Victory Medal.

Mr. O'Donnell was a member of Cross Creek Presbyterian Church.

He retired from Universal Cycles in Bridgeville in 1977.

One of his favorite quotes was James Whitcomb Riley's "He is not dead; he is just away."

His wife of 63 years, Hazel Tuttle O'Donnell, survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Linda Taylor of Columbus, Ohio; a son, James B. (O.D.) O'Donnell of Burgettstown; three granddaughters, Kelli Alvarez, Jamie O'Donnell and Tiffany Himmelreich; a great-granddaughter; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased, in addition to his sisters, are two brothers, Hugh and David O'Donnell; and an infant son. **CC**

Mabel Ilene Reck

Washington homemaker born in Buffalo Township



Mabel Ilene Reck, 91, of Washington, died at 7:05 p.m. Sunday, December 7, 2003, in Humbert Lane Health Care Center, Washington.

She was born December 25, 1911, in Buffalo Township, a daughter of Thomas and Annie Woodward Ashmore.

Mrs. Reck was Roman Catholic, a homemaker and a graduate of Taylorstown High School.

She enjoyed reading and spending time with her family.

Surviving are three sons, John, David and Robert Reck, all of Washington; a daughter, Margaret White of Hickory; two brothers, Leon and Merlin Ashmore, both of Washington; a sister, Marion Miller of Avella; her former husband, John Reck; eight grandchildren, Lisa Wassel, Eric White, Jennifer Balieu and Mark, Heather, Craig, Patrick and Jeremy Reck; and a great-grandson.

Deceased are a grandson, Brian John White; a sister, Evelyn Watkins; and two brothers, Robert and Kenneth Ashmore. **MP**

Anna Mae Flowers

Member of Chartiers Hill United Presbyterian Church

Anna Mae Flowers, 75, of Canonsburg, died Monday, December 8, 2003, in McMurray Hills Manor, McMurray.

She was born August 1, 1928, in Pluto, W.Va., a daughter of Frank W. and Bertha B. Meadows Adkins.

Mrs. Flowers was a member of Chartiers Hill United Presbyterian Church and was a volunteer with Meals on Wheels.

On December 13, 1947, she married James W. Flowers, who survives.

Also surviving are one son, Dale A. Flowers of Canonsburg; one daughter, Donna Bails of Canonsburg; five grandchildren, Kim and Amanda Flowers, J.D. and Matt Bails and Amy Murphy; five great-grandchildren; three brothers, Billy R., and Roger D. Adkins, both of Cleveland, Ohio, and Jim Bob Adkins of Madison, Ohio; two sisters, Bonnie Haley of Crow, W.Va., and Jean Fussi, of Manassas, Va.; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, Frank W. Adkins Jr. and Preston J. Adkins; and three sisters, Garnet Manning, Virginia Neal and Mary Metrick. **HC**

Lillian C. Scott

Retired from St. Clair Hospital

Lillian C. "Gin" Scott, 75, of Venetia, died Wednesday, December 10, 2003, at Kindred Hospital, Oakdale.

She was born March 9, 1928, in Arden, a daughter of Albert and Catherine Spanogle Cole.

Mrs. Scott graduated from Hickory High School in 1945 and retired from the outpatient department of St. Clair Hospital in Mt. Lebanon.

Surviving are her husband, Samuel Scott; two sons, Sam Scott Jr. of Pittsburgh and Robert Scott of Fayetteville Ga.; six grandchildren, Ryan, Danny, Aimee, Michael, Malaree and Samantha

Deceased are a brother, Clarence Cole; and a sister, Donna Thomas. **FL**

Mildred L. Carman

Claysville homemaker helped with Meals on Wheels

Mildred L. Carman, 77, of Claysville, died Tuesday, December 9, 2003, in Washington Hospital, following a brief illness.

She was born February 6, 1926, in West Alexander, a daughter of Allan and Margaret McBroom McAdoo.

Mrs. Carman was a member of Claysville United Methodist Church.

She was a graduate of West Alexander High School and attended Ohio Valley General Hospital School of Nursing in Wheeling, W.Va.

On September 16, 1946, she married William R. (Bob) Carman, who died December 18, 1993.

Surviving are two sons, Robert Allan and Jeffrey T. Carman, both of Claysville; two daughters, Linda Carman Skywatcher of Wellsburg, W.Va., and Susan J. Chabal of Tarentum; three brothers, Clifford "Pip" McAdoo of Washington, Ross McAdoo of West Alexander and Merle (Gene) McAdoo of Claysville; a sister, Adaline (Pete) Hilliard of Wintersville, Ohio; eight grandchildren, Daniel, Michael and Patricia Skywatcher, Brett, Scott, Jacob and Jenny Carman and Sarah Chabal; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Deceased are three brothers, Orval, Fred and Albert (Bill) McAdoo; five sisters, Bernice Thompson, Elizabeth Sutherland, Ethel Allen, Alma Whitehead, and her twin, Mary Olive McAdoo, who died in infancy. **WA**

Joseph Bushko

Canonsburg man was Steelers fan and enjoyed gardening

Joseph Bushko, 72, of Canonsburg, formerly of West Alexander, died at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, December 3, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born October 14, 1931, in Osceola Mills, a son of Michael and Rose Earnest Bushko.

Mr. Bushko attended Canonsburg schools. During the Korean War, he served in the U.S. Army in Germany.

He worked as a maintenance man at Continental Can Co. in West Mifflin for 35 years before retiring and also worked at Hahn's Greenhouse in Cecil Township.

Mr. Bushko was an avid Pittsburgh Steelers fan.

His hobby was gardening.

On March 31, 1951, he married Clara B. McDonald, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Pete Bushko of Canonsburg; a daughter, Leona Porco of Florida; two brothers, Mike Bushko of Canonsburg and George Bushko; two sisters, Helen Keener of Canonsburg and Leona Bentz of Washington; a granddaughter, Tiffany Bushko; and many nieces and nephews.

Deceased are four brothers, Alex, Paul, Walter and Pete Bushko; and a sister, Elizabeth.

At the request of the deceased, there will be no visitation. Interment will be private. Salandra Funeral Service, Canonsburg.

Hazel Boling

Cross Creek native

Hazel Boling, 77, of Carrollton, Ohio, died Wednesday, December 3, 2003, in Canton Aultman Hospital, Canton, Ohio.

She was born March 29, 1926, in Cross Creek, a daughter of Maynard and Elsie Collett.

On October 5, 1942, she married James "Gus" Boling, who died February 15, 2003.

Surviving are a daughter, Mildred Perkins of Hobbs, N.M.; two sons, James of Paris and Richard of Ft. Myers, Fla.; eight grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; two step-great-grandchildren; a sister, Alice Capers of Hopedale, Ohio; and two brothers, Robert Collett of Washington and Donald Collett of Cross Creek.

Deceased are a son, Calvin Boling; and a brother, James Collett.

Millcreek Cemetery, Hookstown.

Margaretta Day Rogers

Founder of Parkinson's Disease support group was teacher



Margaretta Day Rogers, 81, of Easy Living Estates, New Stanton, formerly of 330 Allison Avenue, Washington, died Friday, December 5, 2003, in Easy Living Personal Care Home.

She was born February 1, 1922, in Washington, a daughter of Leroy "Hank" Paterson, a well-known area football coach, and Sybilla Helen Drexler Day.

Mrs. Rogers was raised on the historic Day family farm in Prosperity. She had a lifelong interest in genealogy and the history of the pioneers.

She was married to William L. Rogers, who died May 10, 2001.

Surviving are five children, Clarissa Addy of Maryland, Richard G. and Jonathan L. Rogers, both of Washington, Robert L. Rogers of Latrobe, and Mary Beth Polinski of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; two brothers, Robert L. Day of West Palm, Fla., and Lawrence Day of St. Catherine, Ontario, Canada; eight grandchildren, Andrew Addy, Jennifer Harrison, Gabrielle M. Rogers, Douglas B. Rogers, David H. Polinski III, Phillip Polinski, Roxanne H. Rogers and Rebecca S. Rogers; and three great-grandchildren, George Harrison, Austin Harrison and Katherine Addy.

Deceased is a granddaughter, Mary Margaret Addy. **WA**

Elizabeth A. Dryer

Member of Grove UP Church, West Middletown



Elizabeth A. Dryer, 86, of Avella, died at 4:15 p.m. Sunday, December 14, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born April 19, 1917, in Barrow-Inn-Furnace, England, a daughter of John and Minnie Wadson Withers.

Mrs. Dryer was a homemaker and a member of Grove United Presbyterian Church in West Middletown.

On October 21, 1935, she married Horton W. Dryer, who died December 19, 1973.

Surviving are a son, John M. Dryer of Avella; a daughter, Elaine Smith of Avella; five grandchildren, David and Dean Dryer, Gary and Jonathan Smith and Elizabeth Nijenhuis; and six great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a sister, Violet Withers; infant twin sons; and an infant granddaughter, Kimberly Smith. **WM**

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 great-grandchildren; and a brother, Woodrow Tustin of Washington.

Deceased are two sisters, Edith Morgan and Gladys Prowitt; and three brothers, Clifford, Carl and Marshall Tustin.

Harold Jules Faingnaert

*Republic Steel driver
from McDonald*

Harold Jules Faingnaert, 78, of McDonald, died Friday, December 12, 2003.

He was born May 29, 1925, in Glendale, a son of Adolph Charles and Mae Caroline Orouke Faingnaert.

Mr. Faingnaert was a truck driver for Republic Steel on Pittsburgh's South Side, working in the bolt and nut division.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing, flea markets and handcrafting cane.

Surviving are his wife, Betty Jean Scott of Midway; three sons, Harold J. Jr. of Brentwood, Charles J. of Imperial and John Albert Faingnaert of Oakdale; six daughters, Jean Ann Hattarki of Fort Worth, Texas, Susan Joyce Forrester of Oakdale, Janis Gayle Zach and Joyce Ann Arden, both of Midway, Jayne Lynn Carter of Claysville and Judy Elizabeth Carter of Hickory; a brother, Jack Faingnaert of Carnegie; 28 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a brother, Charles A. Faingnaert; and a sister, Caroline Seibert.

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 grandchildren, Beth Curtis, Lisa McElhaney, Nicole and Erin Walker and Shannon Stage; and four great-grandchildren.

Florinda Ventresca

*Member of Venice Presbyterian
Church*

Florinda (Flo) Ventresca, 91, of Cecil, died Friday, December 26, 2003, in McMurray Hills Manor.

She was born November 23, 1912, in Bishop, a daughter of Marcello and Donata Montagna.

Mrs. Ventresca was a member of Venice Presbyterian Church, a lifetime resident of Cecil Township and a member of Muse Senior Citizens.

Her husband, Carl L. Ventresca, is deceased.

Surviving are a son, Carl Lee Ventresca of Cecil; a granddaughter, Meghan Elizabeth Balzama of Cecil; and a sister, Frances Petross of Raleigh, N.C.

Deceased are four sisters, Edith Moyer, Carmel Regrut, Lillian Deliere and Marcella Kojzsa; and a brother, Sylvan Montagna. **V**

Catherine Paris

*Seamstress was member
of Canonsburg UP Church*

Catherine Paris, 88, of Canonsburg, died Tuesday, December 23, 2003, in Horizon Senior Care, Canonsburg.

She was born May 21, 1915, in Strabane, a daughter of Peter and Rose Rosa Paris.

Surviving are a sister, Antonette Gabster, and a brother, Vincent Paris, both of Washington; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are four brothers, Peter, Donald, James and David Paris. **OS**

Ethel J. Miller

Member of Church of Christ



Ethel J. Miller, 87, of Claysville, died unexpectedly Monday, December 15, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

She was born August 11, 1916, in Bentleyville, a daughter of Sylvester M. and Jessie P. Dorsey Jackson.

Mrs. Miller was a member of Church of Christ in Washington and worked as a secretary for American Cancer Society.

She was a graduate of Claysville High School and attended Penn Commercial.

Surviving are a son, Robert J. Miller of Homeworth, Ohio; a foster son, Robert Wade of Stow, Ohio; two grandchildren, Shaun and Travis Miller; a stepgrandchild, Chris Pumneo; three foster grandchildren, Robert and Randy Wade and Robin Hamric; 11 nieces; 12 nephews; and seven great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, Paul A. Miller; a sister, Pearl Cassidy; a brother, Clyde Jackson; two foster sons, John McMahn and Jim Sampson; and a nephew. **WA**

Lena Ida Demnyan

*Homemaker was member
of St. Alphonsus R.C. Church*

Lena Ida Demnyan, 69, of McDonald, died Saturday, December 20, 2003, in Donnell House, Washington.

She was born November 10, 1934, in Primrose, a daughter of Bernice Horner Gilbert of Primrose and the late John B. Gilbert.

Mrs. Demnyan was a homemaker and a member of St. Alphonsus Roman Catholic Church, McDonald.

She enjoyed attending activities in which her grandchildren were involved. She also enjoyed crocheting and ceramics.

On July 25, 1953, she married Paul J. Demnyan, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Paul J. Demnyan II of Primrose; three daughters, Debra Baldigowski of McDonald and Shari and Lori Demnyan, both of Midway; two sisters, Donna Ralston of Primrose and Linda Reese of Washington; nine grandchildren, Amy Baldigowski Crisanti, Matthew, Kara and Jenna Baldigowski, Jennifer and Valerie Champion, Samantha Wagner and Megan and Mark Kasimirsky; and a great-granddaughter.

Deceased, in addition to her father, is a brother, John G. Gilbert. **C**

Coroner unsure how East Finley resident died

The Washington County coroner is unsure what caused a fatal blow to the head suffered by a man who died Friday while cutting trees.

Baum Junior Brownlee, 69, may have been struck by his chain saw if it kicked back while he was removing a tree between 2 and 4:30 p.m., Coroner S. Timothy Warco said.

A falling tree trunk also may have kicked back and struck the man in the head, Warco surmised.

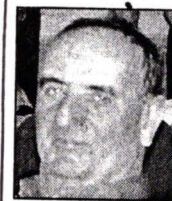
"There is no way to determine what happened forensically," Warco stated Saturday in a news release. Warco ruled the death accidental.

Brownlee was found dead by his son, Boyd, when he did not return home as expected, Warco said.

The chain saw engine was still operating when the body was found in a wooded area about 300 yards behind the Brownlee home at 289 Green Haven Road in East Finley Township, Warco said.

Baum Junior Brownlee

*U.S. Army vet and area farmer
worked for Curtis Pharmacy*



Baum Junior Brownlee, 69, of East Finley Township, died unexpectedly Friday, December 12, 2003, at his home.

He was born July 3, 1934, in East Finley Township, a son of Baum Blaine and Zona Belle Lindley Brownlee.

Mr. Brownlee was a 36-year member of Windy Gap Presbyterian Church.

On December 22, 1956, in Claysville United Methodist Church, he married Cora Breese, who survives.

Also surviving are six sons, Lloyd, Baum and James Brownlee, all of Claysville, William Brownlee of Jackson Center, John Brownlee of West Alexander and Joseph Brownlee of Prosperity; two daughters, Susan Lacock and Amy Dillie, both of Claysville; three brothers, Lehman, Sherman and Gerald Brownlee, all of Claysville; a sister, Ethel Boggs of Wheeling, W.Va.; 22 grandchildren, Tonnie Webb, Denise, David, Jessica and Elizabeth Brownlee, Bill, Jay, Lauren, Kelsey and Ethan Brownlee, John, Amanda and Kevin Brownlee, Jimmy, Kayla and Emily Brownlee, Logan, Nathan, Katherine and Jacob Dillie and Noah and Andrew Brownlee; and two great-grandchildren. **CL**

Donald Lee Smaltz

U.S. Marine Corps vet was controller in steel industry

Donald Lee Smaltz, 67, of Carnegie, formerly of Washington, died Friday, December 12, 2003.

He was born June 25, 1936, in Ponca City, Okla., a son of Glynn A. and Kathleen Cavenah Smaltz.

Mr. Smaltz served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1954 to 1962, having received a Good Conduct Medal and National Defense Service Medal.

He worked as a controller in the steel industry for more than 28 years, having worked with Combustion Engineering in Monongahela and Blaw Knox Rolls in Wheeling, W.Va.

His wife, Patricia M. Smaltz, with whom he celebrated their 39th wedding anniversary December 11, 2003, survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Terry DiGangi of Phoenix, Ariz.; and three grandchildren, Matthew, Dannon and Jala Rose.

Deceased is a sister, Bertha Marie Bilveu. **WF**

Charles E. Hampson Sr.

Weirton Steel retiree was Burgettstown fireman

Charles E. (Chuck) Hampson Sr., 61, of Burgettstown, died Friday, December 12, 2003, in Weirton (W.Va.) Medical Center, after a lengthy illness.

He was born March 25, 1942, in Weirton, a son of Gladys Powelson Hampson of Scranton, S.C., and the late William "Red" Hampson.

Mr. Hampson loved working on cars and operated his own auto body shop for many years in Burgettstown. He also was a life member of Burgettstown Volunteer Fire Department.

Mr. Hampson retired from Weirton Steel.

On January 1, 1977, he married Willa J. Froats, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Charles Hampson Jr. of Turtle Creek and William Hampson, at home; a daughter, Melanie Lawver of Royersford; two grandchildren, John and Krystin Lawver; a sister, Marion Bernard of Scranton, S.C.; and a brother, Harry L. Hampson of Georgetown.

A brother, William, is deceased.

Glennie R. Hicks

Burgettstown police officer

Glennie R. Hicks, 75, of Slovan, died Monday, December 29, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born August 12, 1928, in Burgettstown, a son of George and Mamie Alberta Lambert Hicks.

Mr. Hicks served in the U.S. Navy, was a steelworker with J&L Steel Cop., Aliquippa, and a Burgettstown police officer.

He was a member of First Baptist Church in Burgettstown.

Mr. Hicks was a member of the American Legion, Elks and McDonald Lodge F&AM.

Surviving are his wife, Evelyn Hicks; five sons, George R., John T. and Glenn L. Hicks and Preston R. Moss, all of Washington, and James E. Hicks of Akron, Ohio; a daughter, Carla R. Archie of Slovan; 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Ella Mae Douglas of Akron, Ohio, and Shirlette Tucker of Akron.

Deceased are three brothers, James E., Robert W. and Willard F. Hicks; and two grandchildren. **F**

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.

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, Dorothea 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. **MP**

Margaret L. Kovalcik

Washington woman member of St. Hilary Church

Margaret L. Kovalcik, 83, of Washington, died at 4:12 p.m. Wednesday, December 31, 2003, in Washington Hospital following a brief illness.

She was born June 10, 1920, in Tower Hill No. 2, Fayette County, a daughter of Joseph and Dora Dudash.

On November 12, 1945, she married Steve Kovalcik, who survives.

Also surviving are a sister, Sophia Ducar of Allison; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two sisters, Mary and Anna; and seven brothers, John, Joseph, Andrew, Steve, Paul, Adam and Jack Dudash. **WM**

John Force Buchanan Jr.

Korean War vet was sales rep for Champion Spark Plug Co.



John Force Buchanan Jr., 73, of Washington, died at 4:56 p.m. Saturday, December 27, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

He was born June 29, 1930, in Claysville, a son of John Force Sr. and Opal Watters Buchanan.

Mr. Buchanan was a member of Claysville Presbyterian Church.

He had been a sales representative for Champion Spark Plug Co.

Mr. Buchanan was a member of Dogwood Hills Golf Club and a member of Edwin Scott Linton American Legion Post 175.

He was a graduate of Claysville High School and received his associate's degree from Waynesburg College. He also attended University of Pittsburgh.

Mr. Buchanan served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War.

In 1954, he married Eva B. Longstreath, who survives.

Also surviving are five sons, John Stephen Buchanan of Prosperity, James Addison Buchanan of Bossier City, La., Robert Samuel Buchanan of Claysville, Joseph Patrick Buchanan of Pleasant Grove and Ricklan Lee Buchanan of Pittsburgh; a sister, Rebecca Buchanan of Pittsburgh; 10 grandchildren, Bethany, Michele, Megan, Cheryl Marie, James John, Michael, Travis, Tyler, Joseph Jr. and Samantha Buchanan; and a great-granddaughter.

Deceased is a sister, Pauline Warning.

Arthur R. Simpson

WWII vet was retired from U.S. Postal Service

Arthur R. "Sonny" Simpson, 79, of Burgettstown, died Sunday, December 28, 2003, in Weirton (W.Va.) Medical Center.

He was born August 1, 1924, in McDonald, a son of Raymond and Lena Thomassy Simpson.

Mr. Simpson was a graduate of Union High School in Burgettstown and served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

He retired from the U.S. Postal Service, where he was a rural mail carrier.

Mr. Simpson was a member of Burgettstown Presbyterian Church, a past master of Richard Vaux Lodge 454 F&AM, Burgettstown, a charter and life member of Burgettstown Veterans of Foreign Wars and a life member of American Legion Post 698, Burgettstown.

He was an avid Pittsburgh Pirates baseball fan.

His wife, Carleen M. "Kitty" Smith Simpson, whom he married October 15, 1990, survives in Burgettstown.

Also surviving are two daughters, Dorothy Jean Vincenti of Eldersville and Shirley Ann Zibert of Canonsburg; a son, Barry M. Simpson of Finleyville; four grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; six stepdaughters; nine stepgrandchildren; three stepgreat-grandchildren; and a brother, Raymond Simpson of Florida.

His first wife, Doris Helen Freeman Simpson, is deceased. **G**

Olive G. DeWalt Noviski

Bingo player was formerly of Canonsburg

Olive G. DeWalt Noviski, 80, of Cuddy, formerly of Canonsburg, died Tuesday, December 16, 2003, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born March 27, 1923, in Midland, a daughter of Clarence "Ace" and Mary Simons DeWalt.

Mrs. Noviski was a lifelong Canonsburg area resident.

She was Catholic and an avid bingo player.

Surviving are two daughters, Carol Gallo of Bridgeville and Mary Jo Woodcook, with whom she made her home; a son, Edward Noviski of Washington; 11 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; eight great-great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a son, Thomas A. Noviski; two brothers; and a sister. **OS**

Mary Jane Everly

Cecil Township woman was owner of Jane's Upholstering

Mary Jane Everly of Cecil Township, died Tuesday, December 23, 2003, in her home.

She was born June 26, 1935, in Pittsburgh, a daughter of Jennifer Tarr Reese Bell and the late Charles Reese.

Mrs. Everly was the owner of Jane's Upholstering of Cecil.

Surviving are her husband, Lawrence J. Everly; two daughters, Pam D'Amico of Cecil Township and Patricia Rogers of Pittsburgh; and two grandchildren, Laura and James D. Everly.

Joseph Lauff

Atlas Aloe fabricator

Joseph Lauff, 73, of Swisssvate (Pittsburgh), died Tuesday, December 30, 2003.

He was born August 24, 1930, in McDonald, a son of John and Rosetta Goffart Lauff.

Mr. Lauff was a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean War.

He was a fabricator for Atlas Aloe in Slovan for more than 20 years and did work for Montour Railroad.

Surviving are a daughter, Elizabeth Marlene Jameson of Bulger; a brother, Frank Lauff of McDonald; four sisters, Emma Abbott of Bulger, Mary Vega of Langeloth, Rose Marie Ludwin of Cecil and Margaret Ann Lauff of Bridgeville; two grandchildren, Joseph Smith and Eric Parrish; and a great-grandchild.

Deceased are two brothers, Phillip and Raymond Lauff.

RR

Mildred Williamson

*Longime member
of Trinity Presbyterian Church*

Mildred "Tutie" Williamson, 79, of McDonald, died Wednesday, December 17, 2003, in Sewickley Hospital.

She was born June 20, 1924, a daughter of Peter and Bertha Nimal Descutner.

Mrs. Williamson was a clerk for Conrail and a longtime member of Trinity Presbyterian Church and its chancel choir.

Her husband, T. Dale Williamson, died in 1979.

Surviving are two daughters, Judy Deer of Mechanicsburg and Kathy Tornabene of McDonald; two granddaughters, Kristin Goehring and Mellisa Deer; and a sister, Evelyn Kennedy.

Deceased are a brother, Paul Descutner; and four sisters, Margaret Schaffer, Arlene Stitsel, Wilma Descutner and Elma Lemon.

RR

Robert A. Campbell

Former Canonsburg resident

Robert A. Campbell of Bloomfield, formerly of Canonsburg, died Tuesday, December 30, 2003.

Surviving are his wife, Loretta Sciulli; two daughters, Tracey Levensgood and Kimberly Schorr; a son, Robert Campbell; two stepdaughters, Susan Beam and Annette Gray; four grandchildren, Gena and Brett Levensgood and Steven and Caroline Schorr; four stepgrandchildren, Jennifer and Jim Beam and Erica and Jake Gray; a sister, Jane Lane; a brother, Dr. William Campbell; and many nieces and nephews.

Deceased are his parents, Dr. F. Harley and Frances Campbell; a daughter, Pamela Campbell; a grandson, Dylan Campbell; a step-granddaughter, Annamarie Gray; and a sister, Virginia Mattison.

Burial will be in St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church, Bloomfield.

Robert W. Archer

*Retired farmer was member
of Dallas Presbyterian Church*

Robert W. Archer, 77, of West Alexander, died at 5:15 p.m. Saturday, December 27, 2003, in Crestview Health Care Center, St. Clairsville, Ohio, after being in failing health for several months.

He was born June 30, 1926, in West Finley Township, Washington County, a son of Jesse Robert and Lottie Gertrude Milliken Archer.

He was a lifelong resident of the West Finley and Claysville areas. He moved to West Alexander in 1985.

He was a member of Dallas Presbyterian Church in Dallas, W.Va., where he formerly served as an elder and trustee.

Mr. Archer was a self-employed farmer in West Finley Township prior to retiring in 1982.

On September 29, 1962, he married Gertrude Ann Supler, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Rebecca A. Alsalehi of Franklin Park, Pittsburgh; a grandson, Matthew D. Alsalehi; and several nieces and nephews.

Mr. Archer was the last of his immediate family.

Deceased are a brother, Harold D. Archer Sr.; and three sisters, Madolyn and Gladys Day and Phoebe Braddock.

WA

Jean M. Bedillion

*50-year member of Chartiers
Crossroads U.P. Church*



Jean M. Bedillion, 76, of Chartiers Township, died Saturday, January 3, 2004, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, following a brief illness.

She was born October 30, 1927, in North Strabane Township, a daughter of Aaron B. and Mary Winifred Galwix Mansfield.

Mrs. Bedillion was a homemaker who formerly worked as a craft buyer for Four Seasons of Washington Mall and as a clerk at G.C. Murphy Co.

She was a 50-year member of Chartiers Crossroads United Presbyterian Church, where she

On her 21st birthday, in 1948, she married Norman P. Bedillion, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Roger P. and Jay R. Bedillion, both of Houston, and Jon Darrel Bedillion of Washington; a brother, A. Boyd Mansfield of Washington; a sister, Betty Morgan of Greensburg; and seven grandchildren, Norman P., Kristin D., Magen D., Julie M., Jason R., Justin R., and Jared R. Beillion.

Deceased is a brother, Clifford P. Mansfield.

MP

Leo B. Gray

*Longtime Lamar Advertising
employee from West Alexander*

Leo B. Gray, 68, of West Alexander (West Finley Township), died Tuesday, December 16, 2003, in Washington Hospital.

He was born March 18, 1935, in West Finley Township, a son of George B. and Martha A. Hartzell Gray.

Mr. Gray was a 1953 graduate of West Alexander High School and served in the U.S. Army in an armored division at Fort Knox, Ky., from 1955 to 1957.

He was employed by Lamar Advertising for 33 years.

Mr. Gray enjoyed camping and fishing.

Surviving are two sons, Michael of Claysville and Joseph Gray of West Alexander; a brother, Dale Gray of Dallas, W.Va.; a sister, Diane Keener of Malvern, Ohio; and four grandchildren, Michael, Brandon, Cassie and Kelsey Gray.

Deceased are a two daughters, Beverly Gray and an infant daughter; and a sister, Marty Hogan.

WA

August Bauduin Sr.

*Retired from Universal Cyclops,
Bridgeville*

August Bauduin Sr., 90, of Weirton, W.Va., formerly of Avella, died Saturday, January 3, 2004, in Weirton Medical Center.

He was born January 5, 1913, in McDonald, a son of Gustave and Mary Longree Bauduin.

Prior to retirement, Mr. Bauduin was employed by Universal Cyclops in Bridgeville.

His wife, Freida Holloway Bauduin, survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Richard and Leroy Bauduin, both of Avella, and Leonard Bauduin of St. Petersburg, Fla.; three daughters, Dorothy Chambers of Weirton, Mary Lou Evans of Bulger and Arlene Gamble of Titusville, Fla.; 22 grandchildren; 40 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, August Bauduin Jr., who died in April 2003; two brothers, John and Earl Bauduin; a sister, Jane Doriso; and two grandchildren, Mark Gamble and Tina Bauduin.

BE

Barbara Lee Bredniak

*Member of Holy Trinity
National Catholic Church*



Barbara Lee Bredniak, 70, of Hopewell Township, died Tuesday, January 6, 2004, in Washington Hospital, following a lengthy illness.

She was born April 28, 1933, in Washington, a daughter of Cyril and Sara Jennings Davidson.

Mrs. Bredniak was a Washington High School graduate.

She was a homemaker and enjoyed cooking, baking and gardening.

Mrs. Bredniak was a past member of Buffalo Homemakers and a member of Holy Trinity National Catholic Church of Washington.

On September 3, 1950, she married Edmond Jacob Bredniak, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Robert Arthur Bredniak of Avella and Edward Steven Bredniak of Paduca, Ky.; two daughters, Amy Craft of Hickory and Rebecca Szolek of Avella; a sister, Norma Jean Hupp of Banetown; 13 grandchildren, Kristen, Renee, Bobby, Daniel, Laura, Amanda and Bryan Bredniak, Jennifer Colacito, Jeff Craft and Alicia, Shaina, Kayla and Jacob Szolek; and three great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, Daniel Edward Bredniak; and a brother, Donald Davidson.

Trinity National Catholic Church Cemetery.

Downie Donati

Burgettstown homemaker

Downie Donati, 82, of Burgettstown, died Monday, January 5, 2004, in Weirton (W.Va.) Medical Center.

She was born May 8, 1921, in Harmon Creek, a daughter of Petar and Mildred Padezenan Mirich.

Mrs. Donati was a homemaker. Her husband, James Donati, died in November 1998.

Surviving are a son, Dennis Donati of Burgettstown; a daughter, Diane Donati of Burgettstown; and a sister, Amelia Donati of Burgettstown.

A brother, Michael Mirich, is deceased.

Anna F. Sporka

*Former Avella resident enjoyed
knitting and crocheting*

Anna F. Sporka, 93, of Beverly Healthcare, Shipperville, formerly of the Avella area, died at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, January 14, 2004.

She was born January 4, 1911, a daughter of Andrew and Anna Stefka Sporka.

Surviving are a sister, Helen Horton of Knox; and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, great-great-nieces and great-great-nephews.

Deceased are two sisters, Mary Malinky and Emily Wilson; and four brothers, Andrew Jr., John, Milan and Joseph Sporka.

WP

John L. Testa

*WWII veteran from McDonald
born in Italy*

John L. Testa, 98, of McDonald, died Wednesday, January 7, 2004, in his home.

He was born January 29, 1905, in Italy, a son of Guytano and Anna Maria Testa.

Mr. Testa worked at Bulger Coal Mine and Pittsburgh Coal Co. and later tended bar in the local area.

He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II and was a member of McDonald Veterans of Foreign War and American Legion.

Mr. Testa was a member of Canonsburg Sons of Italy and Midway Volunteer Fire Department.

Surviving are his wife of 61 years, Jennie Romiti Testa; two stepgrandchildren, Priscilla Haley Fini and Charles Haley, both of McDonald; a stepgreat-grandson, Mitchell Edward Fini; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a stepdaughter, Virginia Mitchell Haley, who died in 1992; two sisters, Rose Pradeto and Mary D'Alessandro; and a brother, Dominic Testa.

RR

Flora Virginia McCombs

*Lifelong member of Muse
Presbyterian Church*

Flora Virginia McCombs, 87, of Washington, died Monday, January 5, 2004, in Humbert Lane Health Care Center, Washington, following a one-year illness.

She was born December 4, 1916, in Westland, a daughter of Edward and Hazel Welch Frye.

Mrs. McCombs was a lifelong member of Muse Presbyterian Church.

She was a 1935 graduate of Cecil High School.

Mrs. McCombs worked locally prior to her marriage and during World War II.

Her husband of 60 years, David M. Rowdy McCombs, died May 13, 2002.

Surviving are a son, David M. McCombs Jr. of Columbus, Ohio; a daughter, Nancy DiBello of Buffalo, N.Y.; four grandchildren, Louis and Christopher DiBello, Jennifer Jae Takeuchi and Samantha McCombs; a great grandson; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are four sisters and two brothers.

MR

Jack Charlton Dixon

Veteran of World War II



Jack Charlton Dixon, 84, of Houston, died Monday, January 5, 2004, in Donnell House, Washington.

He was born October 25, 1919, in Gladden, a son of Charlton and Anna Jane DeZomba Dixon.

Mr. Dixon worked for Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Co. as a supervisor.

He was a graduate of South Fayette High School.

Mr. Dixon was a member of Canonsburg United Presbyterian Church.

On March 9, 1944, in Paris, Texas, he married Rose Carmella Sciabica, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Lynne Brown of Harrisburg; a grandson, Michael H. Brown; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased is a sister, Dorothy Nagy.

Burl J. Nichols

*Lifelong Canonsburg resident
worked for PENNDOT*



Burl J. "Jack" Nichols, 46, of Canonsburg, died Tuesday, January 6, 2004, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, following a six-week illness.

He was born July 18, 1957, in Canonsburg, a son of the late Inell Sr. and Dorothy M. Baytops Nichols.

Mr. Nichols was a lifelong Canonsburg resident and attended Canon-McMillan schools.

He was a member of Canonsburg Lodge of the IBPOE.

He was employed by Pennsylvania Department of Transportation as a highway worker.

Surviving are his wife, Cindy D. Wade; two sons, Burl J. Jr. and Brian Inell Nichols, both at home; three sisters, Olivia Nowlin of Washington and Valerie Barsody and Vanzeller Nichols, both of Canonsburg; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased is a brother, Inell Nichols Jr.

OS

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Robert Lee Crawford Sr.

*Retired owner of R.L. Crawford
Roofing & Remodeling*

Robert Lee Crawford Sr., 65, of Bulger, died Saturday, January 10, 2004, in his home.

He was born May 11, 1938, in Primrose, a son of the late Clarence and Velma Scott Crawford.

For 30 years, Mr. Crawford owned and operated R.L. Crawford Roofing & Remodeling in Bulger, before retiring in 1993.

He was a member of Trinity Presbyterian Church, McDonald.

On February 27, 1960, he married Janet Marie Penderville, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Joan Marie Crawford of Bulger; three sons, Robert Lee Crawford Jr. of Burgettstown, Mark Andrew Crawford of Bulger and Cory Scott Crawford, at home; a brother, George Crawford of Canonsburg; three sisters, Elizabeth Lancaster of Bentleyville, Florence McMurrian of North Carolina and Patricia Chappell of Cross Creek; and five grandsons, Shaun, Clayton, Cody, Jesse and Colten Crawford.

Deceased are two daughters, Lisa Jane and Jill Ann Crawford; a brother, Clarence "Bud" Crawford; and a sister, Evelyn Gibson.

RR

Charles H. Dunn

*Active member of Canonsburg
United Presbyterian Church*

Charles H. Dunn, 90, of 217 Belmont Avenue, Canonsburg, died Saturday, January 17, 2004, in Manor Care of McMurray.

He was born May 15, 1913, in Canonsburg, a son of Charles Howard and Romaine Walters Dunn.

Mr. Dunn was a 1933 graduate of Canonsburg High School.

He was employed as a Prudential Life Insurance agent for 28 years.

Mr. Dunn was a member of Canonsburg United Presbyterian Church, where he served as an elder, deacon and trustee.

He also was active with Canonsburg Fourth of July Committee and Jefferson College Historical Society.

On June 4, 1935, he married Helen Smith, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Charles and Thomas Dunn, both of Canonsburg, and Stephen Dunn of Aurora, Colo.; a daughter, Margery Hornyak of Canonsburg; six grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a brother, James W. Dunn; two sisters, Della Spry and Virginia Christensen; and a grandson, Charles W. Dunn.

OS

Eldmira Hannan

*McDonald woman worked
at Woodville State Hospital*

Eldmira Hannan, 88, of McDonald, died Monday, January 19, 2004, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born March 8, 1915, in McDonald, a daughter of James and Emma Benard Stokes.

Mrs. Hannan worked in the dietary department of the former Woodville State Hospital for 20 years, before retiring in 1976.

She was a member of McDonald Senior Citizens Center and First United Methodist Church in McDonald for more than 50 years and was a volunteer for McDonald Meals on Wheels program and McDonald Food Bank.

Her first husband, Joseph Brower, died in November 1952. Her second husband, Gilbert Hannan, died in May 1970.

Surviving are a daughter, Sheron Sweetie; a brother, William McClain; and a sister, Vera Purdy, all of McDonald; three grandchildren, Michael Joseph, Patrick Martin and Tiffany Rennee Sweetie; and seven great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a daughter, Bonnie Jo Brower; two brothers, Edwin Stokes and Melvin McClain; and two sisters, Thelma Dewey and Loretta Bellairt.

RR

**Virginia Throckmorton
Wilkison**

*Member of Canonsburg
UP Church*

Virginia Throckmorton Wilkison, 92, of Green Meadows of Latrobe, formerly of Spruce Street, Canonsburg, died Tuesday, January 6, 2004.

She was born April 22, 1911, in Canonsburg, a daughter of Dr. Charles Benton and Mary Donaldson Throckmorton.

Mrs. Wilkison was a graduate of Canonsburg High School and was an avid bridge player.

She was a member of Canonsburg United Presbyterian Church, where for many years she headed the Arts and Crafts Bazaar.

Mrs. Wilkison was a member of Chartiers Chapter 97 Order of Eastern Star, Jefferson College Historical Society and Women's Auxiliary of Canonsburg General Hospital.

On January 16, 1940, she married Dr. Paul B. Wilkison, who died January 30, 1987.

Surviving are a son, Robert P. Wilkison of Sunbury; a daughter, Sue W. Carnahan of Latrobe; two grandchildren, Candace and Marc Carnahan.

Deceased are a sister, Carolyn Epoch; and two brothers, William and Charles Throckmorton.

OS

Yvonne Prevost

*PNC Bank retiree
from McDonald*

Yvonne Prevost, 77, of McDonald, died Tuesday, January 20, 2004, in UPMC-Presbyterian hospital, Pittsburgh.

She was born July 19, 1926, a daughter of Lawrence and Maria Rolland Frazee.

Mrs. Prevost was employed at Mellon Bank and retired as a customer service representative for PNC Bank.

She was a member of Trinity Presbyterian Church in McDonald, where she faithfully attended Sunday school.

Surviving are her husband of 56 years, Ronald E. Prevost; a son, Ronald Prevost Jr. of Oregon; a daughter, Dr. Rebecca Hughey of McDonald; four grandchildren, C. Douglass Hughey, Bonnie Kousoulakis, Robert Eastman and Christina Prevost; three great-grandchildren; a brother, Ronald G. Frazee of Paris, France; a sister, Marianne Watters of McDonald; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a grandson, Matthew Prevost; a sister, Aline Knox; and two brothers, Charles and Lawrence Frazee. RR

Mary C. Brinkley

*York Springs resident formerly
of Canonsburg*

Mary C. Brinkley, 86, of York Springs, formerly of Canonsburg, died at 6:10 p.m. Sunday, January 11, 2004, in The Village of Laurel Run, Fayetteville.

She was born September 21, 1917, in Duquesne; a daughter of Stephen and Stella Masiyowski.

Mrs. Brinkley was a devoted Catholic and lived most of her life in Canonsburg.

She was a housewife and family caregiver who loved gardening and being outdoors.

On August 11, 1938, she married Varney Brinkley, who died April 13, 1989.

Surviving are a son, James R. Brinkley of York Springs; a sister, Nellie Kostelnik of Duquesne; a brother, Peter Masiyowski of Washington; three grandchildren, Scot Brinkley, Susan Raffensberger and Donna Haggerton; five great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, Joseph and John Masiyowski. OS

Barbara A. Plants

*1970 graduate of McGuffey
High School*

Barbara A. Ingram Plants, 51, of Claysville, died Sunday, January 11, 2004, in her home.

She was born May 1, 1952, in Washington, a daughter of the late P. Hayward and Dorothy Murray Ingram.

Mrs. Plants attended Claysville United Methodist Church.

She was a 1970 graduate of McGuffey High School and a graduate of Penn Commercial in Washington.

Mrs. Plants was employed first as an accounting associate for Washington & Jefferson College and later worked for Bon Ton for 10 years and Wal-Mart, both in Washington, for more than eight years.

She enjoyed gardening, crocheting, reading, collecting Franklin Mint dolls, Michael Bolton music and attending his concerts and celebrity softball games.

On February 22, 1971, in Washington, she married Thomas (Jay) Plants, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Jay Christopher and Brian Anthony Plants, both of Claysville; a daughter, Angela Marie Moore, of Claysville; and three grandchildren, Jenna Comfort, Tylar Plants and Cameron Moore. CL

Mona L. Richey

All-Clad Metals employee



Mona L. Richey, 47, of Claysville, Donegal Township, died Saturday, January 17, 2004, in Donnell House, Washington.

She was born April 12, 1956, in Washington, a daughter of the late Donald Albert and Reita I. Morton Seibel.

She was a member of Windy Gap Presbyterian Church, West Finley, and had been attending West Alexander United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Richey was a 1974 graduate of McGuffey High School.

She was employed as an accounting and payroll specialist in the human resources department of All-Clad Metals, Canonsburg.

On February 16, 1973, in Bethel Presbyterian Church, South Franklin Township, she married George Scherich, who died August 17, 1990.

On May 16, 1992, in United Presbyterian Church, Claysville, she married Ed Richey, who survives.

Also surviving, in addition to her husband, are two sons, Rick Scherich of West Finley and Jamie Scherich of Washington; two brothers, Byron Seibel of Rockbridge, Ohio, and Gerald Seibel of West Finley; two sisters, Marilyn Dorsey of Prosperity and Donna Wildman of Jefferson Hills; two grandchildren, Camden and Jordan Scherich; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased, in addition to her parents and first husband, are a brother, Donald Lee Seibel, and her stepmother, Connie Seibel. CL

Blanche C. Minnies

*Washington woman enjoyed
playing cards and crocheting*

Blanche C. Minnies, 87, of Washington, died Tuesday, January 13, 2004, in Kade Nursing Home, Washington, following a lengthy illness.

She was born May 21, 1916, in Buffalo Township, Washington County, a daughter of Mack and Ella Jane Jones Carson.

Mrs. Minnies was a graduate of Taylorstown High School and a member of North Buffalo Presbyterian Church.

She enjoyed playing cards, crocheting and cooking.

On July 20, 1936, she married Clarence W. Minnies, who died February 8, 1991.

Surviving are three sisters, Helen Hathaway and Hazel Westfall, both of Claysville, and Mary M. Sprowls of Washington.

Deceased are a daughter, Ella Patricia White; and a sister, Pearl Stollar. CL

Martha J. Culley Liggitt

*Member of Church
of the Nazarene*

Martha J. Culley Liggitt, 73, of McDonald, Mt. Pleasant Township, died Wednesday, January 14, 2004, in Sewickley Valley General Hospital, Sewickley.

She was born January 15, 1930, in Oakdale, a daughter of Ord and Viola Campbell Culley.

Mrs. Liggitt was a member of Church of the Nazarene.

Her husband of 55 years, Merle W. Liggitt, survives.

Also surviving are a son, Gary L. Liggitt of St. Marys; five grandchildren, Janette, Daniel, Rebecca, Andrea and Nathan Liggitt; two brothers, Ord Culley of Mercer and Clyde Culley of McDonald; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a son, Merle L. Liggitt Jr., who died February 17, 2002; and a brother, William Culley. RR

Anita M. Moore

*Avella graduate worked
at health care center, day care*



Anita M. "Gator" Moore, 40, of Canonsburg, formerly of Avella, died Tuesday, January 20, 2004, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born March 3, 1963, in Canonsburg, a daughter of Gloria J. Moore of Houston and the late Clarence "Hump" Moore.

Mrs. Moore was a 1981 graduate of Avella High School and was employed by Humbert Lane Health Care Center, Tandem Health Care and Just Us Kids day care.

She had previously been a Special Olympics coach in Houston, Texas, and enjoyed spending time with her nieces and nephews.

She made her home with Donald Lesko of Canonsburg.

Surviving, in addition to her mother, are two brothers, Richard and Fred Moore, both of Avella; a sister, Darleta Clayton of Meadow Lands; nine nephews; four nieces; and several great-nieces and great-nephews.

A sister, April Moore, is deceased. VM

Mason Alexander Reid

Mason Alexander Reid died Wednesday, January 14, 2004, in Conemaugh Valley Memorial Hospital, Johnstown.

He was born January 7, 2004, a son of James A. Reid Jr. of Eighty Four and Suzanne Hinkle of Canonsburg.

Surviving, in addition to his parents, are a brother, Zachary Hinkle; a sister, Kayla Hinkle; his maternal grandparents, Mark Hicks

of Savanna, Ga., and Ilona Diggins of Canonsburg; his maternal step-grandfather, Richard Diggins of Canonsburg; and his paternal grandparents, James A. Sr. and Patricia Reid of Eighty Four.

Private services were held Saturday, January 17, 2004, in Bogan Funeral Homes Inc., 164 West Pike Street, Canonsburg, with the Rev. Carl Martin officiating. Burial was in Woodruff Memorial Park, Canonsburg. WF

Ruth A. Powers

Claysville homemaker



Ruth A. Powers, 91, of Claysville, died Wednesday, January 21, 2004, in Hillsview Personal Care Home, Claysville.

She was born May 11, 1912, in Greene County, a daughter of Charles and Arrabelle Gump Westfall.

Mrs. Powers was a member of Claysville United Methodist Church.

She was a homemaker and enjoyed participating at McGuffey Senior Center, doing crossword puzzles and spending time with her family.

On December 23, 1934, in Rockwood, Md., she married Harley I. Powers, who died May 15, 1976.

Surviving are a daughter, Connie Ruth Filby of Claysville; a sister, Fern Councilman of Wellsburg, W.Va.; and two grandsons, Jeffrey and Terry Filby.

Mary Ferrell Houser

Registered nurse at Jessop, Washington Steel

Mary Ferrell Houser, 85, of Kunkletown, formerly of Washington, died at 10 a.m. Friday, January 23, 2004, in Pleasant Valley Manor Nursing Home, Stroudsburg.

She was born October 28, 1918, in West Middletown, a daughter of John L. and Nellie Brownlee Ferrell.

Mrs. Houser was a member of Third United Presbyterian Church in Washington.

She was a registered nurse who had done private duty and served as an industrial nurse at Jessop Steel and Washington Steel.

Mrs. Houser was a 1937 graduate of East Washington High School and a 1940 graduate of Washington Hospital School of Nursing.

She was a member of Washington Hospital School of Nursing Alumni Association.

On April 24, 1947, in Washington, she married Kurtz L. Houser Jr., who died May 7, 2003.

Surviving are a daughter, Janet H. Skinner of Kunkletown; a brother, John L. Ferrell of Hickory; a sister, Janet F. McKee of Washington; two granddaughters, Beth Anne Skinner and Meredith S. Regina; a great-granddaughter; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, Donald L. and Howard V. Ferrell; and an infant son, Kurtz Houser III.

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 golfer.

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.

MP

James L. Thompson

Longtime member of Chartiers Volunteer Fire Department

James L. Thompson, 70, of Houston, died Thursday, January 22, 2004, in Washington Hospital.

He was born October 8, 1933, in Waynesburg, a son of Arthur Raymond and Irene Rogers Thompson.

Mr. Thompson was a member of First United Presbyterian Church, Houston.

He was a longtime member of Chartiers Volunteer Fire Department and a former youth umpire.

On August 6, 1960, he married Elsa Morgan, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Eric Thompson, and two daughters, Judith and Rebecca Thompson, all of Houston; two brothers, Howard Thompson of Scottsdale and Ralph Thompson of Bridgeville; two sisters, Alma Cederquist of Camby, Ore., and Dorothy Gregg of Falling Waters, W.Va.; and several nieces and nephews.

FL

Frances Ann Youschak

Hookstown homemaker

Frances Ann Youschak, 53, of Hookstown, died Friday, January 23, 2004, in UPMC-Presbyterian hospital, Pittsburgh.

She was born May 31, 1950, a daughter of the late Tom and Irene Teresi.

Mrs. Youschak was a homemaker.

Surviving are her husband, Jack Youschak; a son, Brian Youschak of Enon Valley; a granddaughter, Ciera Youschak; and three sisters, Irene Teresi of Florida, Sandra Schidlmeier of Bridgeville and Carol Teresi of Meadville.

Deceased are a son, John (Jack) Youschak, who died August 4, 2001; and two sisters, Linda Teresi and an infant sister.

F

Angeline Cortis

Member of First UM Church, Houston

Angeline Cortis, 95, of Canonsburg, died Sunday, January 25, 2004, in Donnell House, Washington.

She was born May 30, 1908, in Midland, Chartiers Township, a daughter of Louis and Mary Bessolo Sebelia.

Mrs. Cortis was a member of First United Methodist Church.

She was a homemaker and enjoyed crocheting and reading.

On December 1, 1927, she married Samuel Cortis, who died August 3, 1983.

Surviving are a daughter, Camille Cortis of Canonsburg; a son, Samuel Cortis of Uniontown; four grandchildren, Samuel and Stephen Cortis, Denise Russell and Jeanne Howard; and four great-grandchildren.

She was the last of her immediate family. Deceased are two brothers, Anthony and Louis Sebelia; and a sister, Ellen Klink.

OS

Jeremy Robert Spina

Member of McGuffey High School senior class



Jeremy Robert Spina, 18, of East Finley Drive, Claysville, died Friday, January 23, 2004, in his home.

He was born November 17, 1985, in Washington, a son of Frank and Mary Jo Logue Spina of Claysville.

Surviving, in addition to his parents, are several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Deceased are his maternal grandparents, Janet D. and Brady Logue; and his paternal grandparents, Joseph and Mary Spina.

CL

Marjorie L. Bryner

Worked for G.C. Murphy Co. and taught Sunday school



Marjorie L. Bryner, 98, of Claysville, died at 6:45 p.m. Friday, January 23, 2004, in Humbert Lane Health Care Center, Washington, following a brief illness.

She was born February 19, 1905, in Buffalo Township, a daughter of Emmitt and Margaret Chase Wolfe.

Mrs. Bryner attended Washington High School.

She had been employed by G.C. Murphy Co.

Mrs. Bryner was a member of Church of the Nazarene and had attended Wesleyan Methodist Church. She taught Sunday school and was president of the missionary society.

She enjoyed flowers, reading and bird-watching.

On January 31, 1922, she married John Henry Bryner, who died July 6, 1990.

Surviving are four sons, John H. Bryner Jr. of Roland, Iowa, Gene P. Bryner of Anchorage, Alaska, Andrew L. Bryner of Winchester, Ind., and Phillip M. Bryner of Severn, Md.; five daughters, Dorothy Slick of Los Angeles, Calif., Carol Mace of Claysville, Merrylin Meeks of Aurora, Colo., Iris J. Woods of Londonderry, N.H., and Daunce J. Norris of Ashland City, Tenn.; 17 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a grandson, Mickey Slick, and a brother, George Wolfe.

CL

Opal Kennedy

50-year member of American Legion auxiliary

Opal Kennedy, 86, of Langeloth, died Monday, January 26, 2004, in Weirton (W.Va.) Medical Center.

She was born February 1, 1917, in Lone Pine, a daughter of John and Eliza Orndoff Frye.

Mrs. Kennedy was a member of the American Legion auxiliary in West Alexander for 50 years.

Her husband, David E. Kennedy, died April 13, 1988.

Surviving are two daughters, Patty Amos of Wicomico, Va., and Nancy Griffith of Langeloth; eight grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Margaret Russo and Ruth Snyder, both of Baltimore, Md.; and a brother, John Frye of West Alexander.

Deceased are four sisters, Inis Clutter, Helen Durbin, Mabel Durbin and Gladys Wright; and a brother, Charles Frye.

WA

An autopsy determined a 69-year-old Donegal Township man drowned Monday afternoon after falling into a well that he had been repairing.

Washington County Coroner S. Timothy Warco released results of an autopsy performed Tuesday morning on James Wood of Dry Ridge Road.

Wood had been working on a pump that had frozen when he apparently fell into the 8-foot well, Donegal police said.

Sachiko Wood told police her husband started working on the well about 1 p.m. The well was located about 30 yards from their home. She said she checked on him periodically, but when she no longer saw him about 4 p.m., she went outside and found he had fallen headfirst into the well.

Firefighters from West Alexander were unable to get a response from Wood when they pulled him from the well. He was taken to Washington Hospital and pronounced dead at 5:39 p.m.

James G. Wood

West Alexander Purple Heart recipient

James G. Wood, 69, of West Alexander, died unexpectedly Monday, January 26, 2004, in his home.

He was born May 13, 1934, in Donegal Township, a son of Glen and Anna Mae Acker Wood.

Mr. Wood was a member of West Alexander Christian Church.

A self-employed excavator for many years, he enjoyed gardening, hunting, fishing and beekeeping.

Mr. Wood was a veteran and served for more than 20 years in the U.S. Army, including duty in Vietnam. He received numerous awards for service, including the Bronze Star, Purple Heart and Good Conduct medals.

Surviving are his wife, Sachiko Kondo Wood; three daughters, Annie Jones of Modesto, Calif., Judy Keller of Junction City, Kan., and Barbara Walters of Gastonia, N.C.; a son, Glen Wood of Merritt Island, Fla.; and a sister, Jean Newland of Piement, Ohio.

Deceased are a brother, William Wood; two sisters, Mary Rodgers and Annie Myers; and a daughter, Tammy Wood.

Additional information was received for the obituary of James G. Wood, published Wednesday. A surviving daughter is Barbara Wood and a surviving son, Glen Wood, is from Orlando, Fla. Omitted were six grandchildren, Michelle Waters Carrier, Shannon Setzer, Daniel, John and Amanda Whitefoot and Christina Waters; and two great-grandchildren.

Mildred A. Zapotosky

Westland woman served in WWII

Mildred A. Zapotosky, 80, of Westland, died Monday, January 26, 2004, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born May 12, 1923, in Lawrence, a daughter of Harry and Bessie Clarke Simpson.

Mrs. Zapotosky served in the Women's Army Corps during World War II.

On May 25, 1955, she married Charles W. Zapotosky, who died January 19, 1985.

Surviving are a daughter, Millie Walker of Canonsburg; a granddaughter, Laura Lowe; and two great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, Charles M. Zapotosky; two sisters, Myrtle Rennie and Faye Harmen; and two brothers, Harold and Frank Simpson.

Marie P. Legrand

McDonald homemaker, member of Calvary Presbyterian Church

Marie P. Legrand, 95, of McDonald, died Thursday, January 29, 2004, in Tandem Village, Canonsburg.

She was born March 6, 1908, in Gilly, Belgium, a daughter of Armand and Ida Claus Verelst.

On April 20, 1927, she married Joseph Legrand, who died February 26, 2002.

Surviving are a daughter, Ida M. Menke of McDonald; a brother, Octave "Oscar" Verelst of Frankfort Springs; a sister, Eva M. Supinski of McDonald; seven grandchildren, William, David, Daniel and Robert McGraw, Kathleen Toothman, Susan Kernen and John Mencke; 16 great-grandchildren; and seven great-great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a daughter, Eva I. McGraw; three brothers, Cornell, John and Armand Verelst Jr.; and a sister, Melanie "Minnie" Budness.

Charles A. Battistone Jr.

U.S. Army veteran

Charles A. Battistone Jr., 75, of Canonsburg, died Wednesday, February 4, 2004, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born March 16, 1928, in McDonald, a son of Charles and Julia Nahodile Battistone.

Mr. Battistone retired from the former Fischer Body Manufacturing plant in West Mifflin.

On December 10, 1954, he married Barbara Jane Weaver, who died February 2, 1989.

Surviving are a daughter, Barbara Mours of McDonald; one son, William A. Battistone of Lake Villa, IL.; and four grandchildren, Caitlin Anne and Jimmy Mours and Billy and Lisa Battistone.

Josephine E. Stacko

Avella dairy farmer

Josephine E. Stacko, 70, of Avella, died at 1:06 p.m. Monday, February 2, 2004, in Washington Hospital.

She was born August 22, 1933, in Jefferson Township, a daughter of Augustus and Sophie Kubik Pastor.

Mrs. Stacko was a 1951 graduate of Union High School in Burgettstown. She resided in Avella since 1969 and was a self-employed dairy farmer.

Mrs. Stacko was a member of First United Methodist Church of Washington.

She was a devoted housewife who was an avid gardener and sang with the Avella Aires.

On March 12, 1952, she married William S. Stacko Sr., who died June 19, 1991.

Surviving are three daughters, JoAnne Yukevich and Roberta Allison, both of Avella, and Mary Jeanne Peterson of Burgettstown; a son, William S. Stacko Jr. of West Liberty, W.Va.; five grandchildren; three great-grandsons; and a sister, Agnes Anderson of Burgettstown.

David E. Defibaugh

David E. Defibaugh, 59, of Washington, died unexpectedly at 4:35 a.m. Sunday, February 1, 2004, in the Washington Hospital emergency room, following a seven-month illness.

He was born May 2, 1944, in Wheeling, W.Va., a son of Donald Defibaugh of Hickory and the late Helen O. Kerekes Defibaugh.

Mr. Defibaugh was a vice president of business development at Henry F. Teichman Inc. at the time of his death. He had been employed there for 37 years.

He was a 1962 graduate of Fort Cherry High School.

Mr. Defibaugh was a member of Washington Sportsman Club, Mariner Bassmasters, Indian Springs Rod and Gun Club and Phoenix Award Committee, a professional glass industry club.

He was an avid deer hunter and fisherman. He enjoyed shooting sporting clays.

Mr. Defibaugh served in the Army National Guard, based in Canonsburg.

His wife of 37 years, Karen L. Kurnal Defibaugh, whom he married May 6, 1966, survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Dallas Defibaugh of Chester Springs and Nathan Defibaugh of Richmond, Va.; two brothers, Ronald Defibaugh of Canton, Ohio, and Richard Defibaugh of Avella; two grandchildren, Ryder and Quinn Defibaugh; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a brother, Donald Defibaugh; and a sister, Linda Kraushaar.

Rose H. Pyda

Retired dietary worker for Western Center

Rose H. Pyda, 80, of Meadow Lands, died at 4:30 p.m. Monday, February 2, 2004, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

She was born September 19, 1923, in Snowden Township, Allegheny County, a daughter of George and Julia Haget Dupesko.

Prior to her retirement in 1985, Mrs. Pyda was a dietary worker in Western Center for 18 years.

Surviving are a daughter, Betty Piasente of Meadow Lands, with whom she made her home; two brothers, John and Charles Dupesko, both of Canonsburg; seven sisters, Irene Smoke, Rebecca Hodgson, Sophie Dupesko and Bertha Smith, all of Canonsburg, Mary Carothers of Bridgeville, Cecelia Warmingham of Prosperity and Margaret Ostrander of Strabane; two grandsons, John and Scott Piasente; two great-grandsons; and many nieces and nephews.

Deceased are three brothers, George and Joseph Dupesko and Michael Dupesko who died in infancy; and two sisters, Julia Pribish and Betty Louise Dupesko, who died in infancy.

Darlene Taggart

Lifetime member of Third United Presbyterian Church



Darlene Taggart, 62, of Lagonda Road, died unexpectedly Saturday, January 31, 2004, in her home.

She was born September 23, 1941, in Washington, a daughter of Helen Crowe McKay of Washington and the late Morgan Charles McKay.

Mrs. Taggart was a graduate of Washington High School.

She had worked for Gwen's Daycare in Washington and was a lifetime member of Third United Presbyterian Church in Washington, where she taught Sunday school for more than 20 years.

On October 1, 1961, she married Lee G. Taggart, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, James L. Taggart of Washington; three daughters, Bethann Frank and Lesa McCartney, both of Washington, and Amy S. Cole of Slidell, La.; a sister, Karen Brice of Washington; and nine grandchildren, Mindy, Ashley and Michael Frank, Angelica, Courtney and Jamie Taggart, Ronald and Brian McCartney and Kaitlyn Cole.

A brother, David McKay, is deceased.

Prosperity Cemetery.

Helen D. Donaldson

Teacher in Peters Township School District

Helen D. Donaldson, 93, of O'Brien, Fla., formerly of Thomas, died Wednesday, February 4, 2004, in O'Brien.

She was born November 19, 1910, in Nottingham Township, a daughter of Oscar and Edith Zediker Devore.

Surviving are a daughter, Janet Harpster of O'Brien; five grandchildren, John, Robert and Douglas Harpster, Jody Czap and Erica Dipytic; eight great-grandchildren; a sister, Dorothy Davidson of Thomas; and five nephews.

Deceased are her husband, Robert J. Donaldson; a son, William C. Donaldson; and two brothers, Wade and Russell Devore.

OS

Kathleen A. Ungvari Brautigam

Member of St. Michael Church, Avella



Kathleen A. Ungvari Brautigam, 46, of Cooke Road, Avella, died at 10:05 a.m. Saturday, January 31, 2004.

She was born April 28, 1957, in Suffern, N.Y., a daughter of the late Peter P. and Greta L. Gallo Ungvari.

Her former husband, Mark D. Brautigam of Canonsburg, survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Mark D. Jr. and Matthew S. Brautigam, both of Washington; a daughter, Alyssa M. Brautigam of Avella; and two sisters, Linda Ungvari and Donna Duritza, both of Washington.

A son, Michael (Shane) Brautigam, is deceased.

MP

Michael Brautigam

Avella fourth-grader



Michael (Shane) Brautigam, 10, of Cooke Road, Avella, died at 10:05 a.m. Saturday, January 31, 2004.

He was born July 20, 1993, in Upper St. Clair, a son of Mark D. Brautigam of Canonsburg and the late Kathleen A. Ungvari Brautigam.

Surviving, in addition to his father, are two brothers, Mark D. Jr. and Matthew S. Brautigam, both of Washington; a sister, Alyssa M. Brautigam of Avella; and paternal grandparents, Clyde M. Brautigam of Washington and Helen Rittenhouse Brautigam of Cecil.

Deceased are maternal grandparents, Peter P. and Greta Gallo Ungvari.

MP

John R. Battaglia

40-year resident of Cecil

John R. (Russ) Battaglia, 75, of Cecil, died Tuesday, February 3, 2004, in Canonsburg General Hospital.

He was born February 13, 1928, in Carnegie, a son of Jack and Rose Laccuba Battaglia.

Mr. Battaglia was a 40-year resident of Cecil, where he was a member of St. Mary Church.

He retired February 5, 1993, from J&L Steel Corp. and was a member of United Steelworkers of America.

Mr. Battaglia was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II.

On April 2, 1951, he married Virginia Peyric, who survives, and with whom he celebrated 52 years of marriage.

Surviving, in addition to his wife, are three daughters, Rosemary Zaney of Cecil, Laurie Owens of Houston and Deanna L. Kratt of Carnegie; a son, Russell J. Battaglia of Kansas City, Kan.; two sisters, Pauline Heil of San Bernardino, Calif., and Jennie Bird of Long Beach, Calif.; a brother, Carmen Battaglia; and five grandchildren, Michelle Zaney Clingan, Maria Battaglia, Joseph Walker, Sarah Kratt and Abigail Kratt.

A brother, Joseph Battaglia, is deceased.

RR

AVELLA - An early morning fire Saturday killed a Cross Creek Township woman and her 9-year-old son.

Kathleen Brautigam, 46, and her son, Shane, died as Brautigam attempted to rescue the boy from their burning home at 126 Cooke Road.

Brautigam's boyfriend, William Mitchell, and her 11-year-old daughter, Alyssa, were able to escape the house and get to the next-door neighbor.

Paul Koenig of 136 Cooke Road awoke sometime after 6 a.m. to Mitchell and Alyssa frantically beating on his side door.

"I went over to find Shane, but I couldn't find them," Koenig said, choking back tears. "They said there was a fire. I thought the stove was on fire, but it was engulfed."

Koenig made his way into Brautigam's basement through the open garage door but could not reach the ground floor.

"The fire was coming through the door and down the steps. I was yelling up the steps for Shane," he said.

But there was no answer.

Alyssa Brautigam was flown to Mercy Hospital, where she was listed in serious condition. William Mitchell was treated at an unidentified local hospital.

Washington County Coroner S. Timothy Warco said an autopsy showed Kathleen and Shane Brautigam died of smoke inhalation.

Ferne McKissick

Longtime Claysville resident was convenience store owner



Ferne McKissick, 92, of Claysville, died at 9:45 a.m. Tuesday, February 3, 2004, in Good Shepherd Nursing Home, Wheeling, W.Va., after being seriously ill the past month.

She was born September 2, 1912, in Time, Morris Township, Greene County, a daughter of Harry Stephen and Dora May Clutter Clutter.

She had resided in the Claysville area since 1941.

Mrs. McKissick was a member of Claysville United Methodist Church. She also was a member of Claysville Tripoli Club for 22 years.

On July 15, 1935, she married Paul Douglas McKissick, who died May 17, 1987.

Surviving are two daughters, Kay Meinzer of Claysville, with whom she made her home since 1988, and Connie Fidler of Dallas, W.Va.; a sister, Ines Minton of Waynesburg; eight grandchildren, Dick, Debbie, Jeffrey, Lisa and Susan Moore, Doug and David Walker and Christina Poggi; six stepgrandchildren, Janette Meinzer, Charlene and Amy Scherich, Fred Meinzer III, Denise Brownlee and Chris Meinzer; 23 great-grandchildren; 25 stepgreat-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; and a stepgreat-great-grandchild.

Deceased, in addition to her husband, is a stepgrandson, James Earl Jay Fidler; a sister, Ivy Mankey; and a brother, Von Clutter.

Virginia R. Kimberland

Member of Burgettstown Presbyterian Church

Virginia R. Kimberland, 87, of Atlasburg, died Thursday, January 29, 2004, in her home.

She was born October 26, 1916, in Washington, a daughter of Elzworth and Charity Rush Hartzell.

On April 19, 1938, she married James W. Kimberland, who died August 1, 1979.

Surviving are a son, Jack Kimberland of Atlasburg; a daughter, Patricia Kendrick of Rosemont, Minn.; a sister, Gail McAvoy of Friendswood, Texas; and five grandchildren, Marcy Chuchna, Amy Dwyer, Cari Waleslagle and Christa and Craig Kimberland.

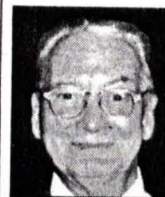
Deceased are a brother, Jack Hartzell; and a sister, Charlene Hopewell.

Services were private and under the direction of Hayden-Taucher Funeral Home, Burgettstown.

CP

Herbert H. Rawnsley

Washington obstetrician-gynecologist



Dr. Herbert H. Rawnsley, 85, died Monday, February 2, 2004, in Washington Hospital. He had been in declining health, but his death was un-

expected.

He was born January 3, 1919, in Philadelphia, a son of Walter and Elizabeth Melody Rawnsley.

Dr. Rawnsley was a graduate of Rank and Marshall Academy, Franklin and Marshall College and University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine.

Following an internship at Philadelphia General Hospital, he served in the U.S. Army Medical Corps during World War II and was discharged in 1946 with the rank of captain.

After additional study in the graduate program of University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, he completed obstetrics and gynecology residencies at St. Luke Hospital in Bethlehem and Magee Womens Hospital in Pittsburgh.

He became a member of the Washington Hospital medical staff in 1953 and served as chief of staff from 1962 to 1964.

On September 4, 1965, he married Anica Barlow Donnan, who survives.

Also surviving are a brother, Dr. Howard M. Rawnsley of Hanover, N.H.; and two nieces, Jill Rawnsley and Sue Rawnsley Ferguson.

Mildred Nyswaner Cowden

Nurse operated day care at Washington Park

Mildred Nyswaner Cowden, 81, of Scenery Hill, died Thursday, January 29, 2004, in Washington Hospital.

She was born December 17, 1922, in Clarksville, a daughter of C. Ray "Dude" and Hazel Pearson Nyswaner.

Mrs. Cowden attended Lippencott School, was a 1940 graduate of Jefferson High School and received her degree in business administration at Penn Commercial College in 1941.

She was a licensed practical nurse at Waynesburg Hospital for many years and also worked in Washington area nursing homes.

In 1943, she married James M. Cowden, who died in 1966.

Surviving are three sons, James R. of Scenery Hill, Stanley R. of Amity and Michael S. Cowden of Graysville; two daughters, Brenda and Mary Ann Cowden, both of Scenery Hill; and two grandchildren, Annette Lynn Franell and James D. Cowden.

Twin brothers died in infancy. Buckingham Cemetery, Clarksville.

Mary Catherine Arnold Minges

Taught in West Virginia schools for 39 years

Mary Catherine Arnold Minges, 93, of Weirton, W.Va., died Thursday, February 5, 2004, in Weirton Medical Center.

She was born April 16, 1910, in Washington County, a daughter of Cyrus D. and Catherine B. (Katie) Neely Arnold.

Mrs. Minges earned her bachelor's degree from West Liberty College and master's degree from University of Pittsburgh.

She taught in Hancock County (W.Va.) schools for 39 years.

Mrs. Minges was a member of Cove Presbyterian Church in Weirton, its Myrtle McHendry Sunday school class, Presbyterian Women's Association and LaBelle Chapter 414 Order of Eastern Star in Steubenville, Ohio.

She was a member of Hancock County Retired School Employees, National Teachers Association, West Virginia Teachers Association and Steubenville Art Association.

Her husband, John Emery Minges, is deceased.

Surviving are a stepson, E. Jay Minges of Florence; three step-grandchildren; six stepgreat-grandchildren; a nephew, Carol A. Mercer of Florence; a niece, Betty L. Eaton of Clinton; seven great-nieces and nephews; 10 great-great-nieces and nephews; and two great-great-great-nieces.

Deceased are her stepmother, Ara E. Foreman Arnold; and a sister, Jeannette Ralston.

Union Cemetery,
Steubenville, Ohio.

Freda Reynolds

Active in Claysville community

Freda Gail Carter Reynolds, 94, of Claysville, died Monday, February 9, 2004, in Washington Hospital.

She was born October 13, 1909, in Sparta, a daughter of Dean and Maude Scott Carter.

Mrs. Reynolds was a former member of United Methodist Church and was a member of Claysville Christian Church.

She was a graduate of Morris Township High School and Waynesburg College and was a teacher before and after her marriage.

On February 22, 1936, in Wheeling, W.Va., she married David Gaylor Reynolds, who died August 17, 1976.

Surviving are a son, David Scott Reynolds of Claysville; four grandchildren, Scott and Kevin Shifflett, Michelle Hilpert and David Carter Reynolds; and three great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a daughter, Linda Shifflett; a sister, Lois Ryan; and two brothers, Harry and Wray Carter.

CL

Mary Walker Schneider

Longtime member of Friendship Community Church



Mary Walker Schneider, 101, of Washington, died at 2 p.m. Tuesday, February 10, 2004, in Washington Hospital, following a brief illness.

She was born March 20, 1902, on a farm in Washington County, a daughter of William Warren and Hester Ann Ashbrook Walker.

On August 15, 1927, she married James P. Schneider, who died October 27, 1968.

Mrs. Schneider attended school in a one-room schoolhouse and was a 1921 graduate of Union High School in Burgettstown.

She did clerical work, as well as acting as a long distance operator for Bell Telephone Co., before retiring February 1, 1958, with 35 years of service.

She made her home with her great-niece, Ruthann Ruecroft.

Also surviving are several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Deceased is a son, James Warren Schneider; five brothers; and nine sisters.

MP

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.

MP

Julia Mae Hawkins

Member of Venice Presbyterian Church

Julia Mae Hawkins, 84, of Canonsburg, died Monday, February 9, 2004, in Washington Hospital.

She was born May 25, 1919, in Cherry Valley, a daughter of John and Annie Petrum Duni.

Mrs. Hawkins was a former resident of Cecil Township and Southminister Place in Washington.

She was a member of Venice Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Hawkins had been employed in the cafeteria at Cecil Junior High School and the dietary department at Woodville State Hospital in Collier Township before retiring in 1990.

Her husband, James Wesley Hawkins, died November 4, 1964.

Surviving are two daughters, Brenda J. Thornburg of Canonsburg and Sharon M. Thomas of Bulger; a son, Delmar James Hawkins of Phoenix, Ariz.; eight grandchildren, Dean A. and Mark L. Thornburg, Suzanne Reeser, Timothy P. and Matthew J. Thomas, Wendy Hawkins, Joy A. Mullins and Westley J. Hawkins; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Deceased are six sisters, Martha Halulko, Mary Boyd, Margaret Wilson, Kathryn Kiger, Sue Setesky and Ann Deikman; and six brothers, George, John, Pete, Steve, Joseph and Mike Duni.

V

Amelia H. Miller

Midway resident

Amelia Hainaut Miller, 79, of Midway, died Thursday, February 12, 2004 in St. Clair Hospital, Mt. Lebanon.

She was born December 11, 1924 in Primrose, a daughter of Phillip and Theresa Verzaleza Hainaut Sr.

On September 24, 1949, at Trinity Presbyterian Church in McDonald, she married John L. Miller Jr., who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Gerald L. Miller of New Castle; four grandchildren, Gerald L. Miller II, John William Miller, Joey Nicole Miller, and Alexa Forsythe; three sisters, Wanda Bennett of Conway, Gloria Dillon and Bonnie Hainaut, both of Midway; two brothers, Phillip Hainaut Jr. of McDonald and Frank Hainaut Sr. of Bridgeville; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased, in addition to her parents, is a sister, Mildred Baronio.

Margaret Edith Cunningham

Active member of Eldersville United Methodist Church

Margaret Edith Cunningham, 80, of Eldersville, died Friday, February 13, 2004, in Weirton (W.Va.) Medical Center.

She was born October 18, 1923, in Bethany, W.Va., a daughter of John Cameron and Edith Mozingo DeGarmo.

On November 16, 1942, she married Willis Cunningham, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, John Cunningham of Bethany and Willis (Tom) Cunningham Jr. of Monroeville; three daughters, Janet Kolman of Indiana, Debbie Barrett of Summerville, S.C., and Stacey Koerbel of Murdocksville; a sister, Evelyn Cline of Wellsburg, W.Va.; 14 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two brothers, David and Earl DeGarmo; and four sisters, Violet Hercules, Irene Puskarich, Betty Baileys and Helen Puskarich.

BE

Alice May Fullum

North Fayette Twp. resident

Alice May Fullum, 72, of North Fayette Township, died Thursday, February 12, 2004.

She was born April 23, 1931, in Sturgeon, a daughter of John Joseph and Eleanor Anna Winter May.

Mrs. Fullum was an assistant manager at Holiday Inn.

Her husband, Kenneth Fullum, is deceased.

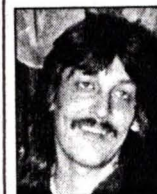
Surviving are a son, Elzie W. Fullum of Oakdale; a sister, Mary Ann Walker of McDonald; four grandchildren, Frank DeGennaro and Shawn, Melissa and Brittney Fullum.

A son, William R. Fullum, is deceased.

RR

Michael McAllister

Cooper Industries millwright



Michael McAllister, 36, of Washington, died Thursday, February 12, 2004, in UPMC-Presbyterian hospital, Pittsburgh.

He was born March 11, 1967, in Pittsburgh, a son of Emily Snyder McAllister Constant of Washington and the late John J. McAllister.

Mr. McAllister worked as a millwright for Cooper Industries.

Surviving are a daughter, Shelby McAllister of Washington; a brother, Mark McAllister of Canonsburg; a sister, Alisa McAllister of Washington; and four nieces, Amelee Huggins and Megan, Amber and Ashly McAllister.

FL

Betty Carroll Walker

Retired Claysville postal clerk



Betty Carroll Walker, 79, of Claysville, died at 7:25 a.m. Monday, February 16, 2004, in her home.

She was born July 3, 1924, in Claysville, a daughter of William Aaron and Elizabeth P. Jackson Carroll.

Mrs. Walker resided all her life in Claysville, where she was a member of Claysville United Presbyterian Church, serving as elder, benevolence treasurer and Sunday school teacher.

She was a 1942 graduate of Claysville High School and graduate of Washington Women's Seminary. In 1950, she graduated summa cum laude from Bethany College with a degree in psychology.

On September 16, 1950, she married Max Ringland Walker, who died July 27, 1968.

Surviving are a daughter, Kimberly Brownlee of Claysville; a sister, Joyce Emeterio of Claysville; two granddaughters, Jessica Lauren and Elizabeth Anne Brownlee; five nieces; 11 great-nieces; a great-great-niece; four nephews and eight great-nephews.

Deceased are five sisters, Emma Jean Carroll, who died in infancy, Sally Westlund and Virginia Stewart and twin sisters Wanda Scheffer and Wilda Duvall; and two brothers, Willard and Frank Carroll, both who died in infancy. **CL**

Martha E. Bodmer

Oldest Member of Canonsburg United Presbyterian Church



Martha E. Bodmer, 98, of Houston, died Wednesday, February 18, 2004, in McMurray Hills Manor.

She was born August 7, 1905, in Brazil, Ind., a daughter of Thomas and Anne Alexander Page.

Mrs. Bodmer was the oldest member of Canonsburg United Presbyterian Church.

She had been a bookkeeper for Thompson Hardware, Washington.

On May 22, 1929, she married Howard Bodmer, who died June 16, 1962.

Surviving are two daughters, Barbara J. Bodmer of Dallas, Texas, and Jeanne Hordies of McMurray; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Deceased are one son, John H. Bodmer Jr.; one brother, Alex Page; and three sisters, Edith Galbraith, Ruth Moran, and Jeanne Page, who died in infancy. **OS**

Esther B. Ewing

Member of Abundant Life Church in Washington

Esther B. Ewing, 85, of Washington, died Wednesday, February 18, 2004, in Washington Hospital, following a five-year illness.

She was born February 11, 1919, in Chartiers Township, a daughter of George A. and Carrie Ervin Barney.

Mrs. Ewing graduated from Trinity High School in 1938.

She was a homemaker and member of Abundant Life Church, formerly Allison Avenue Baptist Church, in Washington.

On January 25, 1942, she married Clarence Edgar Ewing, who died March 27, 1989.

Surviving are a son, Phillip E. Ewing of Washington; a daughter, Lois Merrin Ewing Podwils of Dumfriest, Va.; two granddaughters, Debra Louise Holly and Pamela Sue Kurtz; two great-grandsons; one great-granddaughter; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are three sisters, Nevada Taylor, Hazel Cruzen and Ellen Anderson; five brothers, Russell Barney, Archie Milligan Barney, Alvie L. Barney, and infant brothers, David and Wilbur. She was the last of her immediate family. **FL**

Martha Rebecca Hoop

Martha Rebecca Hoop, 89, of Brownsville (Blainesburg), died at 6:55 p.m. Tuesday, February 17, 2004, in UPMC-Presbyterian hospital, Pittsburgh, following a brief illness.

She was born April 4, 1914, in Centerville Borough, a daughter of William and Anna Adaline Ruble (Henry). **BINNS**

Mrs. Hoop was a 1933 graduate of Centerville High School.

She was a lifetime member of Taylor United Methodist Church, where she was a Sunday school teacher and participated in United Methodist Women.

Mrs. Hoop enjoyed volunteering at Golden Age Nursing Home in Brownsville for more than 12 years and being a Girl Scout leader.

On June 9, 1941, she married James Carothers Hoop, who died August 24, 1982.

Surviving are two daughters, Kathleen Abbadini of Centerville Borough and Rebecca Gayle Mayer of Washington; four grandchildren, Robert J. Abbadini and Michael D., Marissa R. and Matthew R. Mayer; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, Harry and Layton Binns; and two sisters, Lucy Gillis and Millie Wright.

Taylor Cemetery, Brownsville.

Gregory D. Bowman

Band member from McDonald

Gregory D. Bowman, 41, of McDonald, died unexpectedly Tuesday, February 17, 2004, in his home.

He was born May 16, 1962, in Canastota, N.Y., a son of Jane A. Whitmeyer Bowman of Wichita Falls, Texas, and the late Donald S. Bowman.

Mr. Bowman was a member of Hedge, a band with whom he was vocalist and played lead and rhythm guitars. During the past 20 years, he played for several different local bands.

He loved hunting and fishing and enjoyed cooking.

His fiancée, Alexis Roessler, is deceased.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are two sons, Benjamin B. and Mark Bowman, both of Canonsburg; a brother, Brian Bowman of Wichita Falls; a sister, Susan E. Bowman of Anchorage, Alaska; and a nephew and a niece.

Emma Marion Anderson

McMurray resident



Emma Marion Anderson, 83, of McMurray, died Friday, February 20, 2004.

She enjoyed gardening, traveling and spending time with her family.

Surviving are her husband of 58 years, Charles H. Anderson Jr.

Also surviving are two daughters, Karen Zeiler of Canonsburg and Barbara McDowell of Butler; two sons, Charles H. III of Finleyville and Richard Anderson of Carnegie; four grandchildren, Thomas McDowell Jr., Amy Sherwin, Kelly Knetzer and Edward Zeiler Jr.; and two great-grandchildren. **WF**

Ruth A. Walter

McDonald homemaker

Ruth A. Walter, 68, of McDonald, Mt. Pleasant Township, died Thursday, March 4, 2004, in her home.

She was born February 22, 1936, in Carnegie, a daughter of Joseph G. and Ruth M. Neiser Apitsch.

Mrs. Walter was Presbyterian and a homemaker.

Surviving are a son, James B. Walter Jr. of Primrose; a daughter, Peggy Iskey of Cecil; six grandchildren; five brothers and sisters; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a son, Robert Walter; and four brothers. **OA**

Roy G. Dunkle

Former Suwak Trucking mechanic



Roy G. Dunkle, 89, of Chartiers Township, formerly of Brush Run, died Saturday, February 21, 2004, in Washington

County Health Center, Washington.

He was born June 4, 1914, in Taylorstown, a son of Frank and Edith E. Collier Dunkle.

Mr. Dunkle was a graduate of Claysville High School.

He had been employed as a mechanic at the former Suwak Trucking Co. of Washington. He also had worked at Citizens Library and the former Reicharts furniture store, both in Washington.

He was a member of First Baptist Church of Washington.

He was a veteran of World War II, serving with the U.S. Army's 316th Air Service Squadron in Cuba.

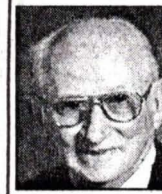
His first wife, Gladys M. Watkins Dunkle, died October 4, 1965. He later married Alma Chase Dunkle, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Karen Revis of Claysville and Edith Ann O'Brien of San Juan Capistrano, Calif.; a brother, Robert Dunkle of Washington; and three grandchildren, Dayna Marie Toland, Allen Roy Koziol and Jessica Kim O'Brien.

Deceased are two brothers, Alvin K. and Delbert "Bud" Dunkle; and two sisters, Ila Meloy and Florence Ford. **CL**

Alan M. McPeak

Retired from Reliance Electric



Alan M. McPeak, 93, of Mt. Pleasant Township, died Sunday, February 22, 2004, in Humbert Lane Health Care Center, Washington, following a three-week illness.

He was born November 18, 1910, in Mt. Pleasant Township, a son of Walter K. and Tressa McDowell McPeak.

Mr. McPeak retired as a machinist from Reliance Electric after many years and had also been a lifelong self-employed farmer.

He was a member of Hickory United Presbyterian Church and a former member of Gretna Grange and later Buffalo Grange.

On December 25, 1935, he married Grace Herron, who died April 14, 2003.

Surviving are a son, David A. McPeak of Washington; a grandchild, Pamela Carlini; and a great-grandchild.

A sister, Elizabeth (Betty) Johnson, is deceased. **MP**

Ethlyn Mae Stevenson Scott

Member of Burgettstown
Presbyterian Church

Ethlyn Mae Stevenson Scott, 95, of Washington, formerly of Highland Avenue, Burgettstown, died Sunday, February 22, 2004, in Presbyterian Senior Care, Washington.

She was born October 15, 1908, in Oakdale, a daughter of Robert B. and Minnie E. Mowery Stevenson.

Mrs. Scott was a member of Burgettstown Presbyterian Church and worked for Pennsylvania Railroad.

On July 14, 1956, in Burgettstown, she married Walter C. Scott, who died April 7, 2002.

Mrs. Scott was the last of her immediate family and is survived by nieces and nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, Harold and Alfred Stevenson; and a sister, Hazel Scott. **MP**

Albert P. Lamb Sr.

WWII vet worked for Shenango

Albert P. Lamb Sr., 83, of McDonald, died Tuesday, February 24, 2004, in Washington County Health Center, Washington.

He was born September 7, 1920, a son of Robert Paul and Anna Haugh Lamb.

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

He was a life member of McDonald Veterans of Foreign Wars, McDonald American Legion and McDonald Volunteer Fire Department.

Mr. Lamb was a maintenance worker for Shenango Inc.

On March 25, 1955, he married Frances Holland, who survives.

Surviving, in addition to his wife, are two sons, Gary Lamb of Cecil and Albert (Sonny) Lamb; a daughter, Ann Myers of Bulger; a brother, Robert Lamb of Scott Township; seven grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a sister, Dorothy Nimal; and three brothers, Lawrence, John Edward and Howard Lamb. **RR**

Milford P. Kelly

Born in Canonsburg

Milford P. Kelly, 90, of East Grand Rapids, Mich., died February 14, 2004.

He was born April 5, 1913, in Canonsburg.

His wife, Dorothy Jane Kelly, is deceased

Surviving are a daughter, Nancy Thomas of Cascade Township, Mich.; a son, Milford P. Kelly Jr. of Williamsburg, Va.; three grandchildren, Kimberly, Ronald and Cindy Thomas; and four great-grandchildren. **OS**

CREMATION

Genevieve Stoner Morgan

Sang in Laboratory
Presbyterian Church choir

Genevieve M. Stoner Morgan, 92, of Washington, died Thursday, February 19, 2004, in Christopher's Personal Care Home, Washington.

She was born March 18, 1911, in DuBois, a daughter of Laura Laudistoner.

Mrs. Morgan was a homemaker who had been employed at Canonsburg Pottery for several years.

She was a member of Laboratory Presbyterian Church, where she sang with the choir for 40 years. She also was a member of Order of the Eastern Star.

On March 11, 1938, she married Ernest Floyd Morgan, who died May 4, 1997.

Surviving are two sons, William F. and David L. Morgan, both of Washington; two grandchildren, Amy Barr and Lisa King; and several great-grandchildren and nieces.

Deceased are a sister, Helen Chambers; and two half sisters, Dorothy Cooper and Mary Vestal. **W**

Edythe M. Schrader

Member of West Washington
United Methodist Church



Edythe M. Schrader, 77, of Washington, died Saturday, March 6, 2004, in Washington Hospital. She had been in declining health.

She was born on December 16, 1926, in Washington, a daughter of Glenn and Sylvia Mounts Sprowls.

She worked for five years in catalog sales at Sears.

Mrs. Schrader was a 1944 graduate of Trinity High School.

She enjoyed crocheting, gardening and classic movies.

On February 14, 1968, she married John A. (Jack) Schrader, who died April 12, 2000.

Surviving are a son, David N. Seaman of Los Angeles, Calif.; two daughters, Katherine Clift of Elyria, Ohio, and Karen Ely of Kettering, Ohio; two brothers, Gaylord "Cub" Sprowls and Wayne Sprowls of Washington; three sisters, Marguerite Boyle of Elyria, Laura McDowell of Washington and Shirley Chambers of Claysville; four grandchildren, Todd Ely, DeeAnn Stawicki, Denise Clift and Jeff Baker; and five great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a sister, Joann Martin; and three brothers, Glenn R., William and Donald Sprowls. **CL**

Pauline Potts McClead

Lifelong Avella resident
was Legion auxiliary member

Pauline Potts McClead, 77, of Avella, died at 4:47 a.m. Saturday, February 28, 2004, in the Washington Hospital emergency room.

She was born January 16, 1927, in Hanlin Station, a daughter of John and Mary McKinley Reed.

Mrs. McClead was a lifelong resident of Avella, where she was a 55-year member of Bert C. Siders American Legion Post 643 Ladies Auxiliary.

On October 12, 1946, she married Donald Raymond Potts, who died July 10, 1958.

In October 1986, she married George Edward McClead, who died November 13, 1998.

Surviving are five daughters, Mary and Shirley Potts, Donna West and Sandy Yankura, all of Avella, and Geraldine Rosa of Prosperity; a son, Donald Potts of Moundsville, W.Va.; six grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and a brother, John Reed of Wellsburg, W.Va.

Deceased, in addition to her husband, are a son, Raymond Potts; three brothers, Eugene, James and Elmer Reed; and two sisters, Louise Dight and Margaret Smith. **WP**

Blanche Moore

Member of St. Ann Roman
Catholic Church, Bulger

Blanche Camp Moore, 77, of Burgettstown, died Friday, March 5, 2004, in Ohio Valley Hospital, McKees Rocks.

She was born July 22, 1926, a daughter of Harry and Hazel Lemasters Camp.

Mrs. Moore was a homemaker and a member of St. Ann Roman Catholic Church in Bulger.

On August 10, 1946, she married William E. Moore, who died October 16, 1981.

Surviving are two daughters, Sandy Conley of Florida and Debra Slepiski of Burgettstown; four grandchildren, Shelly Roman, Chad and Karissa Conley and Marcie Moore; six great-grandchildren; five brothers, Robert Camp of Weirton, W.Va., Charles Camp of Joffre, Oscar Camp of Washington, Ralph Camp of Florida and Richard Camp of Hopewell; two sisters, Patricia Balser of Claysville and Judith Blankenship of North Carolina; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased, in addition to her parents and husband, are a son, William Moore; and a sister, Roberta Turner. **MP**

Bernice Lane Edwards

Longtime aide
at Canonsburg library



Bernice M. Lane Edwards, 88, of Washington, formerly of Canonsburg and Strabane, died Sunday, February 29, 2004, in the

Greenery, North Strabane Township.

She was born July 29, 1915, in Canonsburg, a daughter of George Wilmer and Anna Neely Lane.

Mrs. Edwards was a 1933 graduate of Canonsburg High School.

She worked as a library aide at Greater Canonsburg Public Library for many years and also was a library assistant at Canonsburg Junior High School.

On December 27, 1935, she married Clarence H. "Carnie" Edwards Jr., who died September 4, 1981.

Surviving are a daughter, Pamela Lane Rossero of Canonsburg; a son, R. Barry Edwards of North Canton, Ohio; a brother, Clair Lane of Cape Coral, Fla.; four grandchildren, Elizabeth Perry, Stacey Kail, Todd Saller and Garrett Rossero; and six great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two brothers, George W. "Web" Lane Jr. and Allan Lane. A sister, Margaret, and a brother, Carl Alexander Lane, died in the Canonsburg Opera House Panic. **OS**

Betty L. Caldwell

Member of Belmont
Christian Church



Betty L. Caldwell, 68, of Canonsburg, died Sunday, February 29, 2004, in Donnell House, Washington.

She was born October 7, 1935, in Parkersburg, W.Va., a daughter of Harry and Pearl Tanner Lycans.

Mrs. Caldwell was a member of Belmont Christian Church of Canonsburg.

She was a devoted housewife and loved to sing.

On March 10, 1950, she married Fred R. Caldwell, who died December 27, 2003.

Surviving are two sons, Daniel R. Caldwell of Canonsburg and David R. Caldwell of Atlasburg; a daughter, Jody L. Ward of Bentleyville; and eight grandchildren.

Mrs. Caldwell was the last of her immediate family.

Deceased are two sisters, Violet Sheppard and Frances McCarrell; and two brothers, Gene and Glen Lycans.

Evelyn M. Nokovich

McDonald native

Evelyn M. Nokovich, 84, formerly of Mechanicsburg, died Thursday, March 4, 2004, in Kinkora Pythian Home, Penn Township.

She was born April 10, 1919, in McDonald, a daughter of Casper and Martha Campbell Daniels.

Mrs. Nokovich was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Mechanicsburg.

Her husband, Joseph Nokovich, is deceased.

Surviving are two sons, Joseph R. Nokovich of New Cumberland and Lt. Col. Charles R. Nokovich of Upper Marlboro, Md.; a daughter, Hilda M. Brenneman of Camp Hill; seven grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Mechanicsburg Cemetery.

James K. Delaney

U.S. Army veteran served in Vietnam War

James K. Delaney, 52, of Pittsburgh, died Saturday, February 28, 2004.

He was born May 10, 1951, a son of Elizabeth M. Wilbert Delaney of McDonald and the late James K. Delaney Sr.

Mr. Delaney was a U.S. Army veteran of the Vietnam War.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are two sons, James Delaney Jr. of Washington and Kenny Delaney of Wisconsin; a daughter, Tonya Delaney of Cecil; five sisters, Marsha Maga of Dravosburg, Arlene Delaney, Terri Blanchon and Nancy Borella, all of McDonald, and Darlene Matthews of McKees Rocks; and two grandchildren.

RR

Arthur A. Froats

Retired from USAir

Arthur A. Froats, 64, of Mesa, Ariz., formerly of Burgettstown, died Saturday, February 28, 2004.

He was born September 23, 1939, in Burgettstown, a son of Margaret Donati Froats of Burgettstown and the late Willis G. Froats.

Mr. Froats was employed with USAir prior to his retirement.

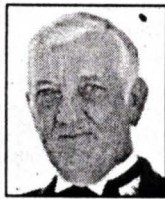
Surviving are his wife, Betty Wagner Froats; two sons, Tim Froats, formerly of Moon Township, and Ted Froats of Oakdale; a daughter, Julie Mincenberg of Ambridge; a stepson, Frank Kimmel of Saegertown; a stepdaughter, Cindy Hecht of Arizona; nine grandchildren; and a brother, Robert Froats of Weirton, W. Va.

A granddaughter is deceased.

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Charles W. Sprowls Jr.

WWII vet served as president of local organizations



Charles W. Sprowls Jr. of Washington died Wednesday, March 3, 2004, in UPMC-Presbyterian hospital, Pittsburgh.

He was born in West Alexander, a son of Charles W. Sprowls Sr. and Fern Travis Sprowls.

Mr. Sprowls was a 1942 graduate of West Alexander High School, attended Waynesburg College on a basketball scholarship and graduated from University of Pittsburgh in 1950.

He served during World War II in the U.S. Army Air Forces.

Mr. Sprowls retired as senior manager from Beneficial Finance Co. after 28 years.

He had served as a past president for Washington Lions Club, West Alexander Post 656 American Legion and Southwest Pennsylvania Lenders Exchange. Mr. Sprowls was a life member of Golf Club of Washington, a charter and life member of the board of directors of Washington Independent Political Club and a life member of BPOE Lodge 776.

On September 4, 1948, in Washington, he married Edith Martin, who survives.

Surviving, in addition to his wife, are a daughter, Mary J. Sprowls-Harris; a brother, D.C. Sprowls of Houston, Texas; and a sister, Jean Sprowls Pattison of National City, Calif.

Deceased are three brothers, Dr. Leo Travis, Wallace Sprowls and James Sprowls. W

Ethel L. Meneely

Enjoyed gardening, playing bingo

Ethel L. Meneely, 73, of Washington, died Tuesday, March 2, 2004, in her home.

She was born December 27, 1930, in Mannington, W. Va., a daughter of John and Mary Yost Looman.

Mrs. Meneely enjoyed gardening, playing bingo and collecting cardinals.

On October 6, 1961, she married George Wiley Meneely, who died July 16, 1995.

Surviving are three sons, Richard D. and Linden R. Booth, both of Washington, and Danny P. Booth of Virginia; a brother, Russell Looman of Cleveland, Ohio; a sister, Nancy Lee Williams of Mannington, W. Va.; 11 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two sisters, Mary E. Riggs and Mildred Kellar. MP

MP

Dorothy Laskowski

Former employee for CoGo's, LoBlaws and Star Market

Dorothy Laskowski, 84, of Canonsburg, died Saturday, March 6, 2004, in Washington Hospital.

She was born September 2, 1919, in Canonsburg, a daughter of William and Viola Modlinski Laskowski.

Miss Laskowski had attended Weavertown School in Canonsburg.

She had been employed by the former Star Market in Canonsburg, LoBlaws in Bridgeville and CoGo's in Washington.

Surviving are two sisters, Elizabeth Totterdale of Houston and Katherine Pastovich of Canonsburg; and a brother, Herman Laskowski of St. Cloud, Fla.

Deceased are three brothers, Edward, Albert and Theodore Laskowski; and four sisters, Eleanor Totterdale, Florence Laskowski, Gertrude Rogers and Dolores Ciehanoski. OS

Donald H. Vanderhoof

Former Claysville resident was Vietnam veteran

Donald Herman Vanderhoof, 62, of Pittsburgh, formerly of Claysville, died at 4:10 p.m. Tuesday, March 2, 2004, in his home.

He was born March 3, 1941, in Washington, a son of Herman and Isabel Ryan Vanderhoof.

Mr. Vanderhoof graduated from Claysville High School.

He served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War.

Mr. Vanderhoof was a member of James R. Hunt American Legion Post 639, Claysville.

He was an avid sports fan.

Mr. Vanderhoof was the last of his immediate family.

Services were private and under the direction of Heinrich Funeral Home, Claysville.

Mildred Nokovich

Member of National Slovenian Society

Mildred Nokovich, 91, of Atlasburg, died Thursday, March 4, 2004, in Presbyterian Senior Care, Washington.

She was born October 27, 1912, in Ohio, a daughter of Mike and Catherine Martin Nokovich.

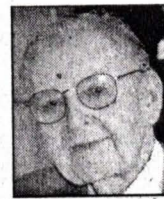
Surviving are a brother, Stanley Nokovich of New York; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are five brothers, Mike, Joseph, Philip, Randolph and Nick Nokovich. MP

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Francis P. Comer

Music teacher of Bobby Vinton wrote C-M alma mater



Francis P. Comer, a school music teacher of singer Bobby Vinton, died Saturday, March 6, 2004, in Friendship Village, Upper St. Clair. He was 91.

Mr. Comer had lived in Friendship Village for the past 10 years. He was formerly of the Canonsburg and Houston areas and Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

He was born June 25, 1912, a son of Frank and Mary Acton Comer.

Mr. Comer was a graduate of Duquesne University and Carnegie Mellon University.

He served in the military and directed in the Army Band.

Mr. Comer taught music in Canon-McMillan School District for many years. His contributions included writing the alma mater for the school. This was only one of the compositions he wrote during his teaching years.

He was a personal friend of singer Perry Como, and singer Bobby Vinton was a student in Mr. Comer's music class. Annual trips to Branson, Mo., to see Vinton perform was a highlight of Mr. Comer's retirement years.

He considered his most thrilling musical experience to be when he played at the White House during the Eisenhower years with famed violinist Fritz Kreisler.

Viola B. Bratton was his companion and caregiver for 10 years.

Deceased, in addition to his parents, was his wife of 50 years, Jean McBride Comer.

Elizabeth Catola

Formerly of Sturgeon

Elizabeth Catola, 80, formerly of Sturgeon, died Tuesday, March 2, 2004, in Beverly Health Care Center, North Strabane Township.

She was born August 31, 1923, in Pittsburgh, a daughter of Theodore and Anna Lasch Zierden.

Mrs. Catola was a homemaker. She enjoyed playing bingo, solitaire and fill-in puzzles.

On June 10, 1940, she married Louis Catola, who died January 2, 1971.

Surviving are a son, Louis R. Catola of New Philadelphia, Ohio; a daughter, Kathryn Conn of Carnegie; six grandchildren, Kenneth Conn Jr., Michael Conn, Ryan Catola, Jennifer Catola, Kimberly Conn and Louis R. Catola Jr.; and two great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a brother, Theodore Zierden; and a sister, Kathryn Kelly. RR

RR

Dorothy Spotti

Midway resident loved music and polka dancing

Dorothy Spotti, 71, of Midway, died Monday, March 1, 2004, in St. Clair Memorial Hospital, Mt. Lebanon.

She was born March 19, 1932, in Carnegie, a daughter of John and Christina Pronco Selensky.

Mrs. Spotti was a homemaker. She enjoyed reading the Bible and loved music and polka dancing.

On October 14, 1951, she married Raymond Spotti Sr., who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Robert J. Spotti of Oakdale and Raymond Spotti Jr. and Don E. Spotti, both of Midway; a daughter, Kathy Spencer of Midway; three brothers, Thomas Selensky of Englewood, Fla., and Nicholas and Robert Selensky, both of Imperial; a sister, Christine Stonebreaker of Hopewell Township; five grandchildren, Marion Galloway, Angela and Don Spotti Jr., Jenelle Kehn and Denise Boland; and four great-grandchildren.

Deceased is a brother, John Selensky.

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Paul M. Plunkett Jr.

Vice president for Toastmaster, National Electric Coil

Paul M. "Bub" Plunkett Jr., 76, of Boonton, N.J., formerly of Houston, died Sunday, March 7, 2004, in his home.

He was born October 2, 1927, in Houston, a son of Paul M. and Dorothy Blosier Plunkett.

Mr. Plunkett was a 1946 graduate of Chartiers High School in Houston.

On May 1, 1953, he married Virginia L. (Ginger) Donaldson, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Gary D. Cannon of Boonton and Paul M. "Skip" Plunkett III of Oak Ridge, N.J.; two daughters, Nancy J. Todd of Dublin, Ohio, and Eleanor A. Moore of Andover, N.J.; nine grandchildren, Brett and Kristin Cannon, Natalie and Dustin Todd, Paul M. Plunkett IV, Brian J., Paige M. and Emma L. Plunkett and David A. Moore; six sisters, Mary Donaldson of Redondo Beach, Calif., Jean Woznichak and Marge Calvert, both of Washington, Dorothy "Toots" Meeks of Tidioute, Patti Dillie of Houston and Millie Koceski of Canonsburg; and five brothers, Charles Plunkett of Henderson, Nev., William Plunkett of Houston, James Plunkett of Washington, Thomas Plunkett of Avella and Wallace Plunkett of Baltimore, Md.

OS

Robert David Torboli

Member of Raccoon Valley Sportsmen Club

Robert David Torboli, 65, of Sloan, 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 Sloan.

He was a member of Raccoon Valley Sportsmen Club and Veterans of Foreign Wars in Burgettstown.

On July 7, 1973, he married Sandra 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.

WP

Margaret Ann Weir Small

U.S. Marine Corps veteran served during World War II

Margaret Ann Weir Small, 81, formerly of McDonald, died Thursday, March 11, 2004.

She was born December 9, 1922, in Colorado Springs, Colo., a daughter of James J. and Mary Margaret "Mayme" Ferguson.

Mrs. Small was a graduate of McDonald High School.

She served in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II. Mrs. Small was a member of American Legion Post 485 in McDonald and was a home health care nurse.

On February 4, 1946, she married Alex J. Small Jr., who died in 1985.

Surviving are three daughters, Margaret Ann Pietrzak of San Antonio, Nancy Jean Roessler of Primrose and Roberta Elizabeth McCabe of McDonald; a brother, James J. Weir of Escondita, Calif.; seven grandchildren, Nancy Cooper, Charles Roessler III, William McCabe, Heather Santek, Russell Roessler and Cindy and Samantha McCabe; and eight great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two sisters, Mary Jean and Roberta Weir; and a granddaughter, Alexis Roessler.

Esther A. O'Donnell

Member of Avella Presbyterian Church

Esther A. O'Donnell, 81, of Avella, died at 6:45 a.m. Monday March 8, 2004, in the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Gretcher and Dave Scruppi, of Avella.

She was born March 30, 1922, in Patterson's Mill, Avella, a daughter of Stanley and Lydia Ferguson Andrews.

Mrs. O'Donnell was a graduate of Avella High School.

During World War II, she worked at the shipyard in Aliquippa. She also worked for Dr. Darwir Hoop, K-Mart Corp. and was a tour guide at Meadowcroft Village in Avella.

Mrs. O'Donnell was a member of Avella Presbyterian Church and Bert C. Siders American Legion Ladies Auxiliary Post 643 of Avella.

On September 21, 1941, she married Hugh "Buck" O'Donnell who died October 16, 1965.

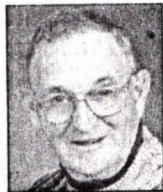
Surviving, in addition to her daughter, are a granddaughter Erin Scruppi; and several nieces and nephews.

A twin brother, William J. Andrews, is deceased.

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Grover Lehman Brownlee

East Finley farmer was glass plant employee



Grover Lehman Brownlee, 72, of East Finley Township, died at 12:06 p.m. Monday, March 8, 2004, in the Canonsburg

General Hospital emergency room after being seriously ill for the past month.

He was born February 27, 1932, in East Finley Township, a son of Baum Blaine and Zona Belle Lindley Brownlee.

Mr. Brownlee was a member of Fairmount United Methodist Church, where he formerly served as trustee and served on the pastor-parish relations committee.

He attended Claysville High School and was a veteran of the Korean War, serving with the U.S. Army as a sergeant with Company I, 65th Infantry Regiment, in Korea.

On December 4, 1955, he married Joann Brownlee Brownlee, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Carol Ann Yates of East Finley Township and Janice L. Brownlee, at home; two brothers, Sherman and Jerry Brownlee, both of East Finley Township; a sister, Ethel Boggs of Wheeling, W.Va.; and several nieces and nephews.

A brother, Baum Junior Brownlee, died December 12, 2003.

Fairmount Cemetery.

Dennis James Pacyna

Diesel mechanic from Cross Creek Township

Dennis James Pacyna, 50, of Cross Creek Township, died Saturday, 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. Pacyna 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.

Isabel Coligan

Member of St. Mary Church

Isabel Coligan, 84, of Cecil, died Sunday, March 7, 2004, in Beverly Health Care, Mt. Lebanon.

She was born July 13, 1919, in Cuddy, a daughter of William and Martha Jiblets.

She was a member of St. Mary Church and Hilltoppers, both of Cecil.

She worked at Mayview State Hospital for 15 years.

Her husband, Ernest Coligan, died in 1997. Together, they had celebrated 59 years of marriage.

Surviving are a son, Gerald Coligan; a daughter, Janet Colley; two sisters, Nellie Gossett and Francis Coligan; five grandchildren, Theresa Hutchinson, Cheryl and Lisa Dabat and Jennifer and Sarah Coligan; and five great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a son, Dennis Coligan; a grandson, Sean Coligan; three brothers, George, William and Joseph Jiblets; and a sister, Mildred Hoffman.

RR

Elizabeth Betarie

Canonsburg homemaker
was avid bingo player



Elizabeth (Betty) Betarie, 89, of Canonsburg, died at 1:35 p.m. Saturday, March 13, 2004, in Manor Care, McMurray.

She was born September 7, 1914, in Canonsburg, a daughter of Pete and Carmella Gattola DeNardo.

Mrs. Betarie spent her entire life in the Canonsburg area.

She worked at Continental Can Co. in Canonsburg, Mt. Lebanon Country Club and Hidden Valley Country Club.

Mrs. Betarie was a member of Canonsburg Senior Citizens.

*She was a homemaker and an avid bingo player.

Her husband, Joseph Betarie, died March 5, 1947.

Surviving are a son, Joseph Betarie of Eastlake, Ohio; two daughters, Marlene White of Auburn, N.Y., and Carol Ann Tost of Lady Lake, Fla.; two sisters, Marjorie Perry of North Strabane Township and Gilda Ramsey of Green Tree; seven grandchildren, Cheri Duball, Kim Strnisa, Stacey Gray, Joe Simms, Joe Betarie, Maryann Bauer and Michelle Betarie; 13 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are a brother, Dominick DeNardo; and four sisters, Jean Doran, Mary L. Eonda, Viola and Alberta Chierra. OS

Deborah Kay Stefka Schwab

D.C. accountant
was Avella graduate

Deborah Kay Schwab, 46, of Great Falls, Va., died Wednesday, March 3, 2004, in her home after a lengthy battle with cancer.

She was born December 25, 1957, in Washington, a daughter of Kathryn M. Vujanich Stefka of Carnegie and the late Joseph Stefka.

Mrs. Schwab was a 1975 graduate of Avella High School and a 1979 graduate of Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

Surviving, in addition to her mother, are her husband, John Schwab; two stepchildren, Amy Schwab of Arlington, Va., and Nicholas Schwab of Denver, Colo.; a brother Joseph Stefka Jr. of Slovan; a sister, Patricia Graham of Toronto, Ohio; and two nieces.

A brother, David Alan Stefka, is deceased.

Services were held in Great Falls, under the direction of Adams-Green Funeral Home. Interment was in Avella. WP

William P. Mortakis

Commercial artist from Hickory

William P. Mortakis, 82, of Hickory, died Saturday, March 6, 2004, in St. Clair Hospital, Mt. Lebanon.

He was born December 28, 1921, in Wheeling, W.Va., a son of George and Elizabeth Mortakis.

Mr. Mortakis was a graduate of Ringling Brothers School of Arts in Miami, Fla., and was a self-employed commercial artist.

On June 1, 1946, in Puerto Rico, he married Dolores B. Homs, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Brian A. Mortakis of Ohio; two daughters, Bridget K. Wintner of Pittsburgh and Melissa S. Maynard of Hickory; two sisters, Mary Jacobs of Wheeling, W.Va., and Cathy Dasisich of Detroit, Mich.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Deceased, in addition to his parents, are two brothers, Steve and Neil Mortakis.

John H. Resnik

Weirton Steel retiree
from Burgettstown

John H. Resnik, 89, of Burgettstown, died Monday, March 15, 2004, in Latrobe.

He was born May 27, 1914, in Maynard, Ohio, a son of Anton and Thersa Yoke Resnik.

Prior to retirement in December 1977, Mr. Resnik was employed by Weirton Steel Corp.

He was a member of SNPJ Lodge in Avella and the 25-year Club of Weirton Steel. BE

Leota Mae Curtis

Member of Claysville
U.M. Church

Leota Mae Curtis, 73, of Claysville, died Wednesday, March 10, 2004, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh.

She was born July 3, 1930, in Mannington, W.Va., a daughter of John Howard and Maude Hamilton. Also deceased are her adoptive parents, Harry M. and Estella Campbell.

Mrs. Curtis was a member of Claysville United Methodist Church.

On May 18, 1956, in Claysville, with the Rev. J.B. Burwell officiating, she married Samuel W. Curtis, who survives.

Also surviving are two brothers, Clarence and Earl Wayne Hamilton; two sisters, Wanda Ezersky of Washington and Cora Belle Bonestell; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are three brothers, Paul Campbell and Virgil and Charles Hamilton; and three sisters, Catherine Cottrill, Imogene Robeon and Helen Hamilton. CL

Zelinda Montgomery

Noblestown native

Zelinda M. Dalla Piazza Montgomery, 86, died Tuesday, March 9, 2004, in Kane Regional Center, Scott Township.

She was born March 19, 1917, in Noblestown, a daughter of Fortunato and Angelina Dalla Piazza.

Mrs. Montgomery was a school bus driver.

Her husband, Robert J. Montgomery, died in 1978.

Surviving are a sister, Olympia; three brothers, Bill, Frindo and Bruno Dalla Piazza; four grandchildren James, Robert, Ryan and Michael; and three great-grandchildren.

Deceased are a daughter, Sandra Greer; two sisters, Ida and Carmalla; two brothers, Warren and Gilbert; and a great-grandson. RR

Carl Harris

Retired 45-year employee
of Climax Molybdenum

Carl Harris, 85, of Langeloth, died Monday, March 8, 2004, in his home.

He was born July 15, 1918, in Langeloth, a son of Nicholas and Axenia Harris.

Prior to his retirement, Mr. Harris was employed as a shipping supervisor at the Climax Molybdenum plant in Langeloth for 45 years and seven months.

He served as a paratrooper in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II.

Mr. Harris was a member of Langeloth Presbyterian Church and Slovan Veterans of Foreign Wars.

In 1946, he married Helen Marie Martincheck, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Carl Harris Jr. of Burgettstown and Michael Harris of Washington; two daughters, Donna Brenlove of Upper St. Clair and Christine Dale of Iron River, Mich.; five grandchildren, Molly and Eli Brenlove, Benjamin Harris and Adelaide and Jessica Dale; and a brother, Michael Harris.

A brother, Pete Harris, is deceased.

There will be no visitation and all services will be private. Arrangements are under the direction of Lee & Martin Funeral Home, Burgettstown.

Isabelle Kathryn Carter

Member of Emmanuel
UP Church

Isabelle Kathryn Carter, 89, of Washington, died Tuesday, March 9, 2004, in Donnell House, Washington.

She was born September 20, 1914, in Primrose, a daughter of Alphonse and Mary Collige Dhans.

Mrs. Carter was a 1932 graduate of Hickory High School, where she played basketball on the 1930 county championship team. She also was a graduate of George Washington Commercial College.

On October 6, 1934, she married William H. Carter, who died January 8, 1990.

Surviving are a son, William Carter of Hillsborough, N.C.; three daughters, Carole Main of Holbrook, Mary C. Carter of Washington and Kerry Cooper of Hickory; a brother, Bernard Dhans of West Palm, Fla.; eight grandchildren; two stepgrandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and 10 step-great-grandchildren.

Deceased are two daughters, Joan Lee and Terry Suzette Carter; a brother, Frank Dhans; and two sisters, Flora Dhans and Angeline Liggitt. MP

Ruth Snatchko Augustine

Heidelberg woman born
in Sturgeon

Ruth Snatchko Augustine, 72, of Heidelberg, died Monday, March 15, 2004, in Kane Regional Medical Center, Scott Township.

She was born December 31, 1931, in Sturgeon, a daughter of Charles and Anna Kargle Snatchko.

In 1948, she married Frank J. Augustine, who died in 1987.

Surviving are three sons, Frank D. of Carnegie, Allen W. of Scott Township and Mark Augustine of Heidelberg; a daughter, Cheryl L. Shillcut of Georgia; nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren; three sisters, Dorothy Leonard of Sturgeon, Rosanna Pancirov of Midway and Betty Cairns of South Fayette Township; three brothers, Roy and Robert Snatchko, both of McDonald, and Rene Snatchko of Elk County; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are three sisters, Lorraine Dewey, Joan Gordon and Florence Cook; and five brothers, Howard, George, Jim, Peter and Charles Snatchko. RR