

**CAPITAL AREA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
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**Palmer D. Smeltz
[1916 - 1987]**

Palmer D. Smeltz, 71, of 1012 E. Main St., died Wednesday, April 22, 1987, in Ashland State General Hospital. He was a member of St. Andrew's United Methodist Church, Valley View, and a retired employee of Rossini Coal Co., Shamokin. Surviving are his wife, Ioma Ochs Coleman Smeltz ; two sons, Palmer Jr. of Fleetwood, and James of St. Peters; a daughter, Bette Walter of Pottstown; a stepson, Gary Coleman of Winchester, Ky.; three stepdaughters, Carol Holzinger of Lanham, Md., Marcelle Stiely of Klingerstown, and Linda Fetterolf of Hegins; two brothers, Leo Smeltz of Inverness, Fla., and Robert Smeltz of Wilmington, Del.; two sisters, Alma Huntzinger of Valley View, and Mary Strohecker of Hatboro; six grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, six step-grandchildren and one step-great-grandchild. Services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday in his church, with the Rev. Dr. Donald Fishel officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Friends may call at the Buffington Funeral Home, Valley View, from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, and at the church up to an hour before services Saturday.

Note: Palmer was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Friday, April 24, 1987.

**Rev. Robert H. French
Presbyterian Minister
[1906 - 1987]**

The Rev. Robert Hughes French, 81, of the Lebanon Valley Brethren Home died Sunday, May 10, 1987, in the home. He was a pastor of United Presbyterian churches for 33 years in Clifton and Cleveland, Ohio; Topeka, Kan.; and Butler. He retired as executive of the United Presbyterian Synod of Iowa and served as staff minister at Market Square Presbyterian Church in Harrisburg. He graduated from Ohio Northern University School of Engineering, Muskingum College, American School of Oriental Research in Jerusalem, Hamma Divinity School, Wittenburg University and Pittsburgh-Xenia Theological Seminary. Surviving are his wife, Margaret Kelsey French; a daughter, Elizabeth Greer of Annville; a son, Robert H. of Milford, Conn.; a sister, Martha Smock of Ithaca, N.Y.; two brothers, Dr. William H. of Portland, Ore., and Dr. Alexander M. of Sacramento, Calif.; and five grandchildren. Services will be held at 4 p.m. Wednesday in Derry Presbyterian Church, Hershey, with Dr. Ira O. Reed officiating. Burial will be in Washington Cemetery. Friends may call after 3 p.m. Wednesday at the

church. Memorial contributions may be made to Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, 616 N. Highland Ave., Pittsburgh 15206. Arrangements are being handled by the Rothermel Funeral Home.

Note: Rev. French was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Tuesday, May 12, 1987.

Robert B. Parson
[1929 - 1987]

Robert B. Parson, 58, of 7324 Sandy Hollow Road, West Hanover Twp., died Tuesday, August 18, 1987, at home. He was an employee Bell Telephone Co.; a member of Harrisburg Lodge 629 of F&AM, West Hanover Twp. Lions Club, Telephone Pioneers of America, Friends of Fort Hunter, Dapuphin County Historical Society and Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church; a charter member of the West Hanover Twp. Historical Society and the Capital Area Genealogical Society; and a veteran of the Korean conflict. Surviving are his wife, Patricia M. Parson; two daughters, Julie L. Goss and Pamela S., and two sisters, Dorothy Uhazie and June Bell, all of Harrisburg; four brothers, Edward, Joel and John, all of Harrisburg, and Richard of Lancaster; and two grandchildren. Services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday in his church with the Rev. William Q. Stickleby officiating. Burial will be in Blue Ridge Memorial Gardens, Lower Paxton Twp. Friends may call at the Hoover Funeral Home, Lower Paxton Twp., from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday. Memorials may be made to his church, North Mountain Road and Chapel Street, Harrisburg 17112, or to the American Cancer Society, 2257 Herr St., Harrisburg 17109.

Note: Robert was a member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Thursday, August 20, 1987.

Gene M. Romberger
[1915 - 1990]

Gene M. Romberger, 75, of 1220 Hudson St. died Wednesday, May 16, 1990, in Polyclinic Medical Center. She was a retired layout designer for Harrisburg Graphics Inc., and was a member, Sunday School teacher, choir member, former member of the council and past president of the United Methodist Women and Church Women United at Derry Street United Methodist Church. Surviving are her husband, John A. Romberger; four sons, Bruce A. of Alameda, Calif., Thomas A. of San Rafael, Calif., Richard E. of Duncannon, and Kenneth A., at home; a daughter, Kathryn E. Lavin of Mount Orab, Ohio; a sister, Joyce Avery of Zephyrhills, Fla.; and 13 grandchildren. Services will be held at 10: 30 a.m. Saturday in the Fackler-Wiedeman Funeral Home. Burial will be in Prospect Hill Cemetery. Visitation will be from 9: 30 to 10: 30 a.m. Saturday at the

funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to her church, 1508 Derry St., Harrisburg 17104.

Note: Gene was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Thursday, May 17, 1990.

Robert W. Foor, Sr.
Retired Schoolteacher
[1912 – 1990]

Robert W. Foor, 78, of 2550 N. Third St. died Monday, December 24, 1990, in Polyclinic Medical Center. He retired as a teacher from John Harris High School, and was claims manager of the former PTF Insurance Co. for 25 years. He was a graduate of Dickinson College and Temple University; a World War II Navy veteran; and was a member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, Robert Burns Lodge, F&AM, Retired Officers Association, Harrisburg Branch, Navy Officers' Club, Navy League, National Organization of Office Managers, and St. Stephen's Episcopal Cathedral, where he was a member of its vestry and Men and Boys' Choir. Surviving are his wife, Ruth Anwyll Foor ; a son, Robert W. Jr. of Mechanicsburg; a daughter, Katharine F. Dix of State College; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. Services will be held at the convenience of the family. The Neill Funeral Home, Paxtang, is handling arrangements. Memorial contributions may be made to his church, 221 N. Front St., Harrisburg 17101.

Note: Wayne was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Thursday, December 27, 1990.

Lois J. Bonham
[1925 - 1992]

Lois Jean Bonham, 67, of 833 Hamilton St. died Thursday, January 16, 1992, in Carlisle Hospital. She was a retired employee of the U.S. Army War College; a veteran of the U.S. Navy Wave; and a member of Mount Zion Lutheran Church, Landisburg; Perry Historians, Newville Historical Society, Cumberland County Historical Society, Hamilton Library, Perry County Historical Society, South Central Pennsylvania Genealogical Society, Cumberland County Daughters of the American Revolution, Daughters of the Mayflower Pilgrims, Cumberland County Chapter of the National Society of U.S. Daughters of 1812, and Pennsylvania Chapter of the Palatines to America. She was the widow of William M. Bonham. Surviving are a daughter, Cheryl Jent of Landisburg, and two grandchildren. Services will be held at 10: 30 a.m. Monday at Hoffman-Roth Funeral Home. Burial will be in Centerville Memorial Park, Penn Twp.

Viewing will be from 7 to 9 p.m. tomorrow at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Perry Historians, Box 73, Newport 17074.

Note: Lois was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Saturday, January 18, 1992.

Russell A.E. Bramwell
[1899 - 1992]

Russell A.E. Bramwell, 92, of 1155 Jerusalem Road, Mechanicsburg died Friday, March 27, 1992, in Holy Spirit Hospital. He was retired from Harrisburg Glass Co.; was a member and trustee of Silver Spring Presbyterian Church, Silver Spring Twp.; and a member of Hampden Twp. Fire Company. Surviving are his wife, Nora M. Bramwell; a son, Edward W. of Carlisle; eight daughters, Elizabeth Sipos of Lebanon, N.J., Joan Kohler and Jean Bretz, both of Shiremanstown, Patricia Bivens of Harrisburg, Rae Kautz of Camp Hill, Leona Pospichel of Springfield, Va., Mildred Coover of Dillsburg, and Paula Hanson of Salt Lake City, Utah; 31 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren. Services will be held at 11 a .m. Monday in her church. Burial will be in Middletown Cemetery. Viewing will be from 10 to 11 a .m. Monday at the church. Myers Funeral Home, Mechanicsburg, is handling arrangements. Memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society, 236 S. Hanover St., Carlisle 17013.

Note: Russell was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Saturday, March 28, 1992.

Milford H. Cassel
[1909-1992]

Milford H. Cassel, 83, of 2812 Rosehill Road, Susquehanna Twp., died Saturday, July 11, 1992, at home. He was a retired maintenance worker for Harrisburg city; a farmer; a member of Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church, Linglestown, and its Recycled Teen-agers' Group and a Sunday School teacher; a genealogist specialist; committee member of Boy Scouts of America Webelos Pack 307 of Linglestown; honorary life member of Linglestown Fire Company; ex-official of the Board of Trustees of American Police Hall of Fame in North Port, Fla.; and a member of Pennsylvania Sheriff's Association, Hummelstown Area Historical Society, West Hanover Twp. Historical Society, Dauphin County Historical Society and Historical Society of Millersburg and Upper Paxton Twp. Surviving are his wife, Minnie F. Etzweiler Cassel; two daughters, Shirley Y. Euler of Harrisburg and Anna M. West of Gainesville, Fla.; a brother, Dr. Russell N. Cassel of Chula Vista, Calif.; 13 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and eight great-great-

grandchildren. Services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday in his church. Burial will be in Hummelstown Cemetery. Viewing will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday at Trefz & Bowser Funeral Home, Hummelstown, and from 1 to 2 p.m. Wednesday at his church. Memorial contributions may be made to his church, 1214 Crosby St., Linglestown 17112.

Note: Milford was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Sunday, July 12, 1992 .

John S. Hileman, Sr.
[1922 - 1992]

John S. Hileman Sr., 70, of 14 Woodbine Drive, Hershey died Sunday, November 22, 1992, at Hershey Medical Center. He was a retired agent for Metropolitan Life Insurance, a Navy veteran of World War II and the Korean War and a member of the Hollidaysburg American Legion. Surviving are his wife, Frances Gould Hileman ; a son, John S . Jr. of Etters; two daughters, Sydna J. Boyer of Harrisburg and Susan J. Lightner of Annville; six brothers, Harry, Paul, William and Joseph, all of Altoona, Fay of State College and James of Lancaster; three sisters, Margaret Ebert and Dorothy Smith, both of Altoona, and Mary Wagner of Camp Hill; and four grandchildren. Services will be held at 1: 30 p.m. tomorrow at Fort Indiantown Gap National Cemetery, Annville. There will be no viewing or visitation. Arrangements are being handled by the Buse Funeral Home, Hummelstown.

Note: John was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Monday, November 23, 1992.

Mary Jane Snyder
[1923 – 1993]

BRADENTON, Fla., **Mary Jane Snyder**, 70, of Bradenton, formerly of Harrisburg, died Tuesday, November 9, 1993, at home. She was a former business machine operator of UGI and a former office manager for Snyder Electric, both in Harrisburg, and a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church here. Surviving are her husband, Alton B. Snyder; a son, Robert L. of Harrisburg; a daughter, Beverly A. Zielinske of Dierks, Ark.; her stepmother, Eula Fyock of Lititz, Pa.; three sisters, Helen Pisle of Steelton, Pa., Betty Walton of Lancaster, Pa., and Joan Fyock of Lititz; and four grandchildren. Services were held recently in Bradenton. Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday in Paxton Presbyterian Church, Paxtang, Pa. Toale Brothers Funeral Home handled arrangements. Memorial contributions may be made to the Remodeling Fund of her church, 3011 19th Ave. West, Bradenton 34205.

Note: Mary Jane was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Sunday, November 21, 1993.

Harry W. Smith
Former Wire Editor of Evening News
[1931 – 1994]

Harry W. Smith, 63, retired Evening News wire editor, died Thursday, February 3, 1994, in Polyclinic Medical Center. Smith, of Linglestown, worked for The Patriot-News Co. for 35 of his 37 years in the newspaper business. A native of Beaver, he began his newspaper career there in 1956 as a reporter with the Beaver County Times. He joined The Patriot in 1958 as a general assignment reporter and later covered City Hall. He subsequently became a copy editor and was named Patriot wire editor in 1961 and later Evening News wire editor. Henry H. Young, retired Patriot-News executive editor, said, "Harry was a hard-working and conscientious newspaperman and very, very dependable. He took pride in his work and always gave his best effort." Dale Davenport, editorial page editor and former city editor, said Smith "had a great sense of news value and a sharp eye for good feature stories. He believed that readers wanted a variety of information in their newspaper, and he looked for both important and interesting stories for his pages." "I was city editor at the time of the space shuttle Challenger explosion," Davenport noted, "and I can clearly recall Harry letting me know immediately so we could send reporters out for local reaction. His skill at piecing together the bulletins from Cape Canaveral enabled us to put out a paper that day with many of the details." Evening News copy editor Doug Dohne said Smith "was one of the last of the old-time page editors at The Patriot-News. He began as a cub reporter in the so-called hot-type days of newspapering and retired in January as a telegraph [wire] editor in the computer era." "Harry," Dohne added, "had a strong sense of responsibility to his job, which was to keep the reader abreast of the stories, though breaking half a world away, which affect us all." "Harry was a no-nonsense journalist whose solid news judgment was evident each day," said executive news editor Bob Vucic. "He was as hard a worker as he was a decent human being. We'll miss him." "He was a good friend and one heckuva newspaperman," said Leon Baden, Evening News copy editor. "He always had the reader's interests at heart." Smith was a graduate of Geneva College, Beaver Falls; a Marine Corps veteran of the Korean War; a fourth-degree member of Knights of Columbus Council 869; and a member of Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church, Lower Paxton Twp., and Linglestown American Legion Post 272. Surviving are his wife, Clare McNabb Smith; a son, Roger W. of Pittsburgh; three daughters, Judy Weiser of Stevens and Molly Starsinic and Allison Brown, both of Harrisburg; a sister, Sue Haney of Rochester, Pa.; and three granddaughters. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Monday in his church. Burial will be in Indiantown Gap National Cemetery. Viewing will be from 10 to 11 a.m. Monday at the church. Hoover Funeral Home, Lower Paxton Twp., is handling arrangements. Memorial contributions may be made to his church, 6150 Allentown Blvd., Harrisburg 17112.

Note: Harry was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Friday, February 4, 1994.

Mary E. Miller
[1911 - 1995]

Mary E. Miller, 84, of 514 Myrtle Ave., Marysville, died Monday, January 9, 1995, in Leader Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Camp Hill. She was a bookkeeper for the former Keller's Chevrolet and Brenner Motors. She was a graduate of Central Pennsylvania Business School and a member of Wesley United Methodist Church. She was the widow of William A. Miller. Surviving is a daughter, Deborah G. Cook of Mechanicsburg. Services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday in Shalonis Funeral Home, Marysville. Burial will be in Chestnut Grove Cemetery, Marysville. Visitation will be from 10: 30 to 11 a.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Note: Mary was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Wednesday, January 11, 1995.

Thomas A. Driscoll
[1926 - 1996]

Thomas A. Driscoll, 70, of 38 E. Water St., Middletown, died Saturday, August 3, 1996, in Community General Osteopathic Hospital, Lower Paxton Twp. He retired from the State Revenue Department and the former Olmsted Air Force Base, Lower Swatara Twp.; was a graduate of Villanova University; a Navy veteran of World War II; vice president of Friends of the Library, Middletown; and a member of Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church, American Legion Post 594, Elks Lodge 1092 and the Historical Society, all of Middletown. Surviving are three sisters, Mary T. Chapel of Harrisburg, Ann T. Moore of Mechanicsburg and Helen R. Lynch of Southbury, Conn.; and a brother, William G. of Rosemont. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a .m. Tuesday in his church. Burial will be in Resurrection Cemetery, West Hanover Twp. Viewing will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday in Matinchek & Daughter Funeral Home, Middletown, where the rosary will be recited at 8 p.m.

Note: Thomas was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Sunday, August 4, 1996.

Elizabeth M. Moyer
[1918 - 1997]

Elizabeth Mary Moyer, 79, of Susquehanna Twp. died Thursday, January 9, 1997, in Polyclinic Hospital. She had been a museum curator for the College of Physicians of Philadelphia; was a graduate of Lehighon High School and Ursinus College; and a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Our Savior, Susquehanna Twp., the Harrisburg Civic and Garden clubs, Golden Age Club of Susquehanna Twp. and the Historical Society of Dauphin County. Surviving is her husband, the Rev. William O. Moyer. Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. Jan. 25 in her church. Burial will be in Lehighon Cemetery. Cremation Society of Pennsylvania, Lower Paxton Twp., is handling arrangements. Memorial contributions may be made to her church, 420 N. Progress Ave., Harrisburg 17109.

Note: Elizabeth was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Friday, January 10, 1997.

Robert D. Keen
[1906 - 1997]

YELLOW SPRINGS, Ohio -- **Robert Donald Keen**, 91, of 151 King St., formerly of the Camp Hill, Pa., area, died Monday, July 7, 1997, at home. He retired as a registered architect from Gannett-Fleming, Camp Hill; had practiced in the offices of Clayton J. Lappley and Lawrie and Green; was a Wiconisco, Pa., native; a graduate of the former Pennsylvania State College and a charter member of Triangle fraternity there; and a member of the Harrisburg Friends Meeting and Harrisburg Art Association. Surviving are his wife, Enid Keen ; two sons, Dr. William P. of Washington, Pa., and Dr. James P. of Yellow Springs; a daughter, Barbara K. Kinloch of Chagrin Falls; a sister, Marion C. of Cornwall, Pa.; six grandchildren; and a great-grandchild. There were no services. Rose Hill Crematory, Springfield, handled arrangements.

Note: Robert was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Wednesday, July 30, 1997.

John H. Paulding
Active Volunteer and Former Lower Allen Commissioner
[1920 - 1998]

John Holmes 'Jack' Paulding , 78, of 11 Amherst Drive, Lower Allen Twp., died Monday, April 6, 1998, in Harrisburg Hospital. He retired as vice president for public affairs from UGI Corp. and was named its 1994 Community Volunteer of the Year; was a

former Lower Allen Twp. commissioner and past president of that board; had been president of the Salvation Army advisory board and a member of its board of managers; and a Harrisburg Hospital trustee, volunteer, ethics committee member and advisory board chairman and a member of the PinnacleHealth Systems board of ethics. 'He had a tremendous amount of energy,' said Ray Rhodes, Lower Allen Twp. manager and a former township police chief. 'He had the ability to get people with different points of view to sit down and discuss ideas. He helped complete many projects. He was a tireless worker.' 'He served the Salvation Army with great distinction,' said Maj. Ronald Dake. 'He was deeply appreciated for his volunteerism and financial support through the years. He was deeply respected because of his concern for others.' John C. Cramer, PinnacleHealth president and chief executive officer, said Paulding was 'an astute board member, always focused on the interests of the community.' 'After his retirement from the board,' Cramer added, 'I knew him as a very active volunteer at Harrisburg Hospital. One could always count on seeing him in his red volunteer] jacket as he escorted patients. He was always kind and reassuring, a real ambassador for Harrisburg Hospital.' Paulding attended Drury College, Springfield, Mo.; was an Army veteran of World War II; had been a Harrisburg Area Community College board member; president of the Executive Club of Pennsylvania and the West Shore Council of Governments; a director of the Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce; a United Way campaign chairman; a member of the Mellon Bank advisory board; and chairman of Community Services of Pennsylvania. He was a Rotary Club past president and the first member to receive its Community Service Award; had been an American Red Cross and Boy Scouts of America board chairman and a recipient of Scouting's Silver Beaver Award; was a member and elder of Christ Presbyterian Church, Lower Allen Twp., and a Carlisle Presbytery trustee; and a Habitat for Humanity volunteer. Surviving are his wife, Mary W. Paulding ; two sons, John H. of King of Prussia and Robert A. of Lewisberry; a daughter, Catherine Ketchum of Etters; two brothers, James and George, both of Florida; and four grandchildren. Memorial services will be held at 7: 30 p.m. April 22 in his church. Visitation will be from 6: 30 to 7: 30 p.m. April 22 in the church. Cremation Society of Pennsylvania, Lower Paxton Twp., is handling arrangements. Memorial contributions may be made to Salvation Army, 1122 Green St., Harrisburg 17102, or his church, 421 Deerfield Road, Camp Hill 17011. Caption: PHOTO PAULDING

Note: John was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Wednesday, April 8, 1998.

Tribute to Jack Paulding

Please allow me to add my voice to the others paying tribute to John H. (Jack) Paulding, president of the Lower Allen Twp. Board of Commissioners, who died April 6. I have known Jack as a neighbor and a friend for more than 30 years. If ever there was a man who deserved to be remembered and honored as a selfless public servant, it was Jack Paulding. Without seeking publicity for himself, Jack poured himself into every one of the good works in which he was involved right up to the end of his days. The many

things that he accomplished during his 78 years will live on, but his greatest legacy to his community, his family and his large and richly deserved circle of friends is the example he set for us all to put service above self. Besides all that, Jack was good company. He had a lovely sense of humor. What a man. We need more people like Jack Paulding.

-- Robert H. Fowler Camp Hill

This article appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Sunday, April 12, 1998.

Frances G. Hileman
[1925 - 1998]

Frances Gould Hileman, 73, of Hershey, died Monday, November 23, 1998, in Twin Oaks Nursing Center, Campbelltown. She was a member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society and the Hershey Garden Club; was a Navy WAVE during World War II; and had volunteered more than 5,000 hours at the Hershey Medical Center. She was the widow of John S. Hileman Sr. Surviving are a son, John S. Jr. of Etters; two daughters, Sydna J. Boyer of Steelton and Susan J. Lightner of Annville; and four grandsons. Graveside services will be held at 11: 30 a.m. Wednesday in Indiantown Gap National Cemetery. Buse Funeral Home, Hummelstown, is handling arrangements. Memorial contributions may be made to Bethesda Mission, P.O. Box 3041, Harrisburg 17105-9982.

Note: Frances was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Tuesday, November 24, 1998.

Kenneth G. Lebo
[1923 - 1999]

Kenneth Garber Lebo, 76, of Lower Paxton Twp. died Wednesday, January 27, 1999, at Polyclinic Hospital. He was a retired PAR coordinator for the Post Office; a member of Progress Immanuel Presbyterian Church; a Navy veteran of World War II; and a member of Robert Burns F&AM Lodge 464, National Association of Federal Retired Employees, of the Tall Cedars of Lebanon Harrisburg Forest 43, Harrisburg Area Postal Employee Pistol and Rifle Club, the Capitol Area Genealogical Society and American Legion Post 730. Surviving are his wife, Patricia Lebo ; two sons, Keith Lebo of Middletown and Donald Parkhurst of Carlisle; three daughters, Sharon Hays of San Diego, Beth Parkhurst of Enola and Linda Nelson of Camp Hill; a brother, Donald of Timonium, Md.; 10 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. Services will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday in his church. Cremation Society of Pennsylvania, Lower Paxton Twp., is handling arrangements. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, 1019 Mumma Road, Suite 200, Wormleysburg 17043, or the Diabetes Foundation, 2600 N. Third St., Harrisburg 17110.

Note: Kenneth was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Tuesday, February 2, 1999.

Donald R. Brown
[1920 - 1999]

Donald R. Brown, 79, formerly of Enola, died Tuesday, September 21, 1999, in Forest Park Health Center, Carlisle. He was a retired letter carrier; an Army veteran of World War II; and a member of the Disabled American Veterans and the National Association of Letter Carriers. He was the widower of Grace Brown. Surviving are two sons, Kenneth R. and Stuart W., and a daughter, Donna L. McBride, all of Enola; a sister, Agnes Stephens of Bloomington, Ind.; six grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren. Services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday in Sullivan Funeral Home, Enola. Burial will be in Woodlawn Memorial Gardens, Lower Paxton Twp. Viewing will be from 9 to 10 a.m. Saturday in the funeral home.

Note: Donald was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Wednesday, September 22, 1999.

Mary H. Redus
[1923 - 2000]

Mary Hunter Redus, 77, of Harrisburg died Tuesday, May 2, 2000, in Harrisburg Hospital. She attended Seiler School, Harrisburg, Greenwood School in Ruxton, Md., and the Harrisburg Center for Higher Education; was a life member of Historic Harrisburg Association and St. Stephen Episcopal Cathedral; and a member of Friends of the State Museum, Friends of Fort Hunter and the Historical Society of Dauphin County. Surviving is a brother, James B. Jr. of Mechanicsburg. Services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday in her church. Burial will be in Harrisburg Cemetery. There will be no viewing. Memorial donations may be made to her church, 221 N. Front St., Harrisburg 17101. Musselman Funeral Home, Lemoyne, is handling arrangements.

Note: Mary was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Wednesday, May 3, 2000.

David E. Hartman
[1923 - 2000]

David E. Hartman, 77, of Fishing Creek Valley Road died Monday, September 25, 2000, at home. He retired as a deliveryman from Stroehman Bakeries; was a graduate of Susquehanna Twp. High School; a Marine Corps veteran of World War II; a past president of the Charlton-Paxtonia Lions Club and Harris Ferry Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution; a former leader of Cub Scout Pack 230 and Boy Scout Troop 307, a member of scouting's Order of the Arrow and the Lutheran Adult Scouters Association; a member of Christ Lutheran Church, Lower Paxton Twp., past president of its Congregational Council, teacher of the Fellowship Class and congregational liaison for Boy Scouting; a life member of VFW Post 148; and a member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society. He was the widower of Helen V. Rexrode Hartman. Surviving are a son, Edward A., and a daughter, Dava E. Gurkoff, both of Lower Paxton Twp.; and two grandsons. Services will be held at noon Saturday in his church. Burial will be in Woodlawn Memorial Gardens, Lower Paxton Twp. Viewing will be from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday in the church. Hoover Funeral Home, Linglestown, is handling arrangements. Memorial donations may be made to his church, 1214 Crosby St., Harrisburg 17112.

Note: David was a member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society/

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Thursday, September 28, 2000.

Fred M. Cardene, Jr.
[1924 - 2001]

Fred M. Cardene, Jr., 77, of Camp Hill, formerly of Scranton, died Tuesday, May 8, 2001, in Holy Spirit Hospital. He retired from the wholesale cosmetics supply business; was a graduate of Scranton Central High School and attended Williamsport Technical Institute; was an Army Air Forces veteran of World War II and a member of Linglestown American Legion Post 272; had been an officer of Harris Ferry Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution; was a member of the Johannas Schwalm Historical Association; and a life member of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Gratz Historical Society, Capital Area Genealogical Society and the Keystoneians. Surviving are his wife, Helen Stanulis Cardene; two daughters, Judith and Michelle, both of New Cumberland; a son, Robert Barry of Camp Hill; a brother, Thomas of Seminole, Fla.; five grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday in Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church, Enola. Entombment, with full military honors, will be in Rolling Green Memorial Park Chapel, Lower Allen Twp. Cremation Society of Pennsylvania, Colonial Park, is handling arrangements. Memorial donations may be made to American Heart Association, 1517 Cedar Cliff Drive, Camp Hill, 17011.

Note: Fred was a member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Thursday, May 10, 2001.

Beatrice P. Simmers
[1913 - 2001]

Beatrice Penn Simmers, 88, of Paxtang, died Tuesday, December 18, 2001, in Messiah Village, Upper Allen Twp. She retired from the state Department of Public Welfare and had worked for the former Pomeroy's department store and the state Department of Labor and Industry; was a genealogist and author; and a member of Paxton Presbyterian Church and its Women's Bible Class. Surviving are her husband, Joseph L. Simmers; three sons, Alan P. of Crescent City, Fla., Lee P. of Camp Hill and John P. of York; a brother, Albert K. Penn of Tucson, Ariz.; and three grandchildren. Services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday in Neill Funeral Home, Paxtang. Burial will be in Paxtang Cemetery. Viewing will be private.

Note: Beatrice was a Charter Member of Capital Area Genealogical Society.

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Walter C. Good
Road Accident Victim
[1919 - 2002]

Walter C. Good, 83, of 167 Colebrook Road, Londonderry Twp., died Monday, January 28, 2002, in Harrisburg Hospital from complications of a Nov. 17 traffic accident. He retired as a spectrometric tester from the former New Cumberland Army Depot; earlier worked at the former Olmsted Air Force Base, Lower Swatara Twp.; was a graduate of the former Middletown High School; and an Army Air Forces veteran of World War II. He had been a chair caner; operated a stand at the Middletown Arts and Crafts Fair; and was a member of Evangelical United Methodist Church, Middletown. Surviving are his wife, Elizabeth Buterbaugh Good ; three sons, Toby L. of Elizabethtown, Ronald V. of Morning Sun, Iowa, and R. Scott of Barnegat, N.J.; a sister, Margaretta Hartwell of Hummelstown; and eight grandchildren. Services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday in his church. Burial will be in Hillsdale Cemetery, Londonderry Twp. Viewing will be from 9 to 10 a.m. Saturday in the church. Coble-Reber Funeral Home, Middletown, is handling arrangements.

Note: Walter was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

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Joseph L. Simmers
[1911 - 2002]

Joseph Lloyd Simmers, 91, of Country Meadows, Hampden Twp., formerly of Paxtang, died Friday, February, 15, 2002, in the Claremont Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Middlesex Twp. He retired from Western Union; was a member of Paxton Presbyterian Church, Paxtang, and its Men's Bible Class; and had been active with its Boy Scout committee. He was the widower of Beatrice Penn Simmers . Surviving are three sons, Alan of Crescent City, Fla., Lee of Camp Hill and John of York; and three grandsons. Services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday in Neill Funeral Home, Paxtang. Burial will be in Paxtang Cemetery. Viewing will be from 10 to 11 a.m. Saturday in the funeral home. Note: Joseph was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

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John A. Romberger
[1927 - 2003]

John A. Romberger, 76, of Harrisburg, died Thursday, April 24, 2003 in Harrisburg Hospital. He was a retired Postmaster for the United States Postal Service; an Air Force Veteran of World War II; member of Derry Street United Methodist Church, Harrisburg; member of the Kabob Hiking Club and NARFE. He is survived by his wife, Betty W. Reinhold Romberger; three sons, B. Asa Romberger of Alameda, CA, Richard E. Romberger of Duncannon, Kenneth A. Romberger of Middletown; one daughter, Kathryn E. Lavin of Cincinnati, OH; one step-son, Robert A. Woland of Harrisburg; one step-daughter, Jane L. Woland of Brooklyn, NY; two brothers, Joseph Romberger and R. Kenneth Romberger , both of Millersburg; 20 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, April 29, 2003 in the Fackler-Wiedeman Funeral Home. Burial will be in Prospect Hill Cemetery. Visitation will be from 12 noon-1 p.m., Tuesday, in the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Derry Street United Methodist Church, 1528 Derry Street, Harrisburg, PA 17104 or American Heart Association, Capital Region Division, 1517 Cedar Cliff Drive, Camp Hill, PA 17011. www.wiedemanfuneralhome.com.

Note: John was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

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Irene M. Gipe
[1923 - 2004]

Irene M. (Hetrick) Gipe, 80, of Harrisburg, passed away peacefully at her home on Saturday, February 7, 2004. Born December 27, 1923 in Grantville, she was the daughter of the late Wilson M. and Mary E. (Bomgardner) Hetrick. She retired from G.C. Murphy Company in 1985 and was a member of the Hershey Historical Society; the East Hanover Township Historical Society; the Historical Society of Dauphin County; the Capital Area Genealogical Society; and attended the East Hanover One Room School House gatherings. Surviving are her four daughters, Carla Jean Menchey of Elizabethtown; Mildred Virginia Merrell and Nancy Lou Shaffer, both of Harrisburg and Linda Deane Heefner of Palmyra; a brother, Carl Eugene Hetrick of Palmyra; 10 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. Memorial services will be held at 1 p. m. Saturday, February 14, 2004 at Buse Funeral Home, 9066 Jonestown Road, Shellsville. Burial will be in Shells Cemetery, Shellsville. Visitation will be one hour prior to the memorial service. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be sent to Hospice of Central Pennsylvania, P.O. Box 266, Enola, PA 17025-0266, or to the Capital Area Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 4502, Harrisburg, PA 17111-0502. Condolences may be shared at ww.BuseFuneralHome.com.

Note: Irene was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Tuesday, February 10, 2004.

Kay P. Frazel
[1945 - 2004]

Kay P. Frazel, 59, of Grantville, died Monday, September 20, 2004, at the M.S. Hershey Medical Center. Born August 27, 1945, in Fargo, North Dakota, she was the daughter of the late Elwood and Arlene Patricia (Pellman) Shelley. She graduated from Penn State University, with a degree in accounting and co-founded the Harrisburg Genealogical Society and the Harrisburg Chapter of M.A.D.D. Surviving are her husband, Roy B. Frazel, Jr.; children, Roy B. Frazel III, Kristi A. Frazel and Kari A. Frazel; grandchildren, Kayla A. Barbaretta, Korey A. Dishong, and Kaitlin A. Norman; and six brothers and sisters. Services will be held at the convenience of the family. Burial will be in Indiantown Gap National Cemetery, Annville. Condolences may be shared at www.BuseFuneralHome.com.

Note: Kay was the founder and first President of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Wednesday, September 22, 2004.

Robert E. Byrnes
[1915 - 2005]

Robert E. Byrnes, 90, a resident of Brethren Village, Lancaster, passed away on Wednesday, January 26, 2005 in Brethren Village Nursing Facility. He worked at the former Olmsted Air Force Base, Middletown, PA, and retired from the Naval Air System Command in Washington, D.C., with 30 years of service. He was a life long member of the Fifth Street United Methodist Church, Harrisburg and an associate member of the First United Methodist Church in Ormond Beach, Florida, where he and his wife lived for 26 years before moving to Brethren Village in 2001. He was born in Harrisburg, the son of the late James M. and Mary Elizabeth (Bessie) Foulk Byrnes. Surviving are his loving wife of 55 years, Bessie Black Byrnes; a step-daughter, Mary Jane Kelly of South Carolina; a step-son, John C. Hoffer of Texas; 6 step-grandchildren and 11 step-great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his brothers, Paul, John, Charles, James, Herbert and Donald and a sister, Dorcas Holtz. Memorial services will be held on Wednesday, February 2nd at 11 a.m., in the Chapel of Brethren Village, 3001 Lititz Pike, Lancaster, PA 17606. Burial will be in East Harrisburg Cemetery, Harrisburg following the service. Visitation will be from 10: 30-11 a.m. Wednesday in the Chapel. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Brethren Village Endowment Fund or to a charity of your choice. Neumyer Funeral Home, Inc., 1334 N. 2nd Street, Harrisburg, is handling arrangements.

Note: Robert was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Monday, January 31, 2005.

Dr. John A. Fritchey, Jr.
[1907 - 2006]

Dr. John A. Fritchey, Jr., 99, of Harrisburg, PA, died Friday, August 18, 2006 in the Palmyra Nursing Home. He was born July 18, 1907, in Harrisburg, son of the late John A. and Eleanor Shoop Fritchey. John was a retired Dermatologist, a graduate of Dickinson College, Carlisle and the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia. He was an avid conservationist and the founder of the Doc Fritchey Chapter of Trout Unlimited. Surviving are his wife, Dorothy E. Stone Fritchey; two sons, John A. III, of Boiling Springs and Robert S. of Golden Meadow, LA; a grandson, John A. IV; a granddaughter, Michelle Martz; and a great-grandson, David Martz. He was preceded in death by a son, Michael S., in 1999. Services will be held at the convenience of the family. Burial will be in Mt. Zion Lutheran Church Cemetery, Boiling Springs. Memorial contributions may be made to Compassionate Care Hospice, 100 Brown Street, Suite 23, Middletown, PA 17057 or to the Doc Fritchey Chapter of Trout Unlimited, P.O. Box 6592, Harrisburg, PA 17112. Hoover Funeral Homes & Crematory, Inc., 6011 Linglestown Road, Harrisburg, PA, is handling the arrangements.

Note: Dr. Fritchey was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

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'Doc' fought to preserve land along Stony Creek
Author: REGGIE SHEFFIELD, of The Patriot-News

Dr. John A. Fritchey, Jr. 1907-2006

The man who 40 years ago began a lonely battle to preserve a 16-mile stretch of land popular with nature lovers, hunters and anglers along Stony Creek in northern Dauphin County has died. On an obituary page last month was news of the Aug. 18th death of Dr. John A. Fritchey, Jr. of West Hanover Twp., a physician, dermatologist, son of a three-time Harrisburg mayor, fisherman, conservationist, husband and father. He was 99.

"Doc" Fritchey, as he was known, is credited with beginning the movement to save the Stony Creek Valley to the north of Fort Indiantown Gap, first from a PPL plan in the mid-1960s to build a hydroelectric plant in the area. More recently, conservationists followed Fritchey's example and joined to stop the Pennsylvania National Guard's attempt to obtain more than 1,000 acres of that land for use as a safety buffer for its artillery range. The valley stretching through Dauphin and Lebanon counties, from Dauphin to south of Tower City, has long been popular for its beauty and wildlife and is known as one of the few unspoiled tracts of land that's easily reached from nearby metropolitan areas. "I always told him he was a conservationist before the word was ever invented," said his wife, Dorothy, known as Dottie to friends. "I met him in 1939. It was right before the war. He was a patient. He was going to the University of Pennsylvania graduate school," said Dottie, who was a student nurse at Polyclinic Hospital. Dottie, now 91, first helped him get over a throat infection. Then she married him. The two bought a home in West Hanover Twp. in 1948. Fritchey was a graduate of Dickinson College and the University of Pennsylvania. He ran a practice in the 700 block of North Second Street from 1940 to 1972. Fritchey celebrated the outdoors, Dottie said, having learned to enjoy its benefits as a child from his father, also a physician. But he also feared the potential harm caused to the environment by people attracted by that publicity.

"The Game Commission and the PPL were fighting with him and they gave him a rough time, but he kept fighting on," Dottie Fritchey said. "He had absolutely no one to back him. He just had this crusade on his own." Bolstered by the 1972 Pennsylvania Scenic Rivers Act and in 1980 The Stony Creek Wild and Scenic River Act, which gave the valley some legal protections, Fritchey nonetheless remained wary as late as 1979. "We've had so many downs, and so few, if any, ups that it's very difficult to be optimistic until everything is in writing," Fritchey was quoted as saying in a November 1979 newspaper article. Robert Pennell of Harrisburg, the past president of the Doc Fritchey Chapter of Trout Unlimited, a nonprofit organization dedicated to the preservation of clean water and wild trout and salmon fisheries, last saw Fritchey just before his 99th birthday in June. The chapter was renamed in his honor for his efforts at saving Stony Valley. "Doc was one of the most persistent men that I've ever been involved with," Pennell said last week. "He wouldn't take no for an answer if he felt he was right about something. The job would get done. It might take time, but it would get done." Pennell

explained how Fritchey, who at the time was waging his one-man battle against what he felt was governmental and industrial intrusion, realized he couldn't continue to do it alone. "As he got further and further into this, he realized that maybe he needed to get the forces of a conservation-oriented organization behind him. That's when he went to Trout Unlimited," he said. "He built on that and, as more and more interest was generated to save Stony Valley, he was able to attract more and more members, and more and more members meant more and more publicity for his particular fight," Pennell said. A man of many hobbies, Fritchey made his own fishing rods. His desk at home is still strewn with the tools of a fly fisherman, his wife said. A self-taught artist, Fritchey enjoyed capturing the area's birds with paint and brush. John Fritchey's health took a downturn after he fractured his hip at home on Father's Day. He had been fishing the day before and was, his wife believes, watching a deer on his property when he fell on a flagstone porch at his house. He died Aug. 18.

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William J. Doyle
[1939 - 2006]

William J. Doyle, 66, of Lower Paxton Twp., passed away on Saturday, September 30, 2006 at home. He was born October 6, 1939, in Wilkes Barre PA, son of the late Dr. William J. and Catherine (Murray) Doyle. He was a 1957 graduate of St. Mary's High School and attended King's College in Wilkes-Barre. He was a retired financial analyst for General Motors Acceptance Corporation, Harrisburg PA, and had held several management positions with pharmaceutical delivery companies after his retirement from GMAC. He was one of the founders of the Lower Paxton Historical Society, having served as a director since its inception. Bill loved local history, and was an active member of The Paxtang Historical Society, West Hanover Historical Society, East Hanover Historical Society, Camp Curtin Historical Society, Hummelstown Historical Society, and The Friends of Fort Hunter. He was also a member of the Central Pennsylvania Conservancy, The Paxton Creek Watershed and Education Association, the Capital Area Genealogical Society, and the Linglestown Fire Company No. 1. He was a very active member of The American Legion Post # 272, and served on the legion board of directors for many years. He was also a member of The Lower Paxton Lions Club, and the Harrisburg BPOE Elks Lodge #12. Bill was a member of Faith Presbyterian Church, Colonial Park. He was a graduate of the Penn State extension Master Gardener's Program, and took great pride in bragging "There is not a single dandelion on my lawn" and about the flower arrangements that he grew. His other avocation was his extensive involvement with his computers, he was known for sending political satire, and 'old folks' jokes to friends all across the country. He was a long time member of the Republican National Committee. Bill was an Army Veteran, having served during the early stages of Vietnam, the Berlin Wall crisis, and the Cuban Missile affair. He is survived by his wife, Janet (Brehmer) Doyle; a son, William Doyle IV and his companion, Carrie Knapp of Camp Hill; daughters, Tracy (Bly) of Virginia Beach, VA and her husband, Kirk, and

their three children, Kyle, Kyra, and Micheala; and Robin (Yingling) of Harrisburg and her husband, Steve and their three children, Bailey, Brenden, and Gavin. He is also survived by his sister, Ellen (Mondlak) and her husband, Jerry of Pittston, PA; his brother, Robert and his wife, Judy of Lewes, DE; and his sister-in-law, Cathy (Cefaly) Doyle of Kingston, PA- wife of his youngest brother, Gerald Doyle, who passed away in January 2003; nine nieces and nephews; and eight great-nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be Wednesday, October 4, 2006 at 10 a.m., at Faith Presbyterian Church, with Rev. John A. Schmidt officiating. Burial in Indiantown Gap National Cemetery. Viewings will be Tuesday evening from 6-8 p.m., at Hoover Funeral Homes & Crematory Inc., 6011 Linglestown Road, Harrisburg and at the church Wednesday from 9: 30 a.m., until time of services. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Faith Presbyterian Church, 1801 Colonial Road, Harrisburg PA 17112; the Lower Paxton Historical Society, 425 Prince Street, Harrisburg PA 17109 or to the Linglestown American Legion Post 272, (building & exterior maintenance fund) 505 North Mountain Road, Harrisburg PA 17112.

Note: William was a member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Sunday, October 1, 2006.

Ruth A. Foor
[1912 - 2007]

Ruth Anwyll Foor, 95, of State College, formerly of Harrisburg, died Thursday, May 10, 2007, at Outlook Pointe. Born January 14, 1912, in Harrisburg, she was a daughter of Katharine Coleman and Harry Leeds Anwyll. She married R. Wayne Foor, Sr., who preceded her in death. She was a graduate of the College of William and Mary, where she was a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority. She taught at the former New Cumberland Senior High School and was a charter member of the faculty of Cedar Cliff Senior High School. Ruth was a member of the Auxiliary of the Retired Officer's Association, the Navy Club, Paxtang Civic Club and Rutherford House Civic Center; and was a life long member of St Stephens Episcopal Cathedral in Harrisburg. She is survived by a son, Robert W. Foor, Jr., of Weaverville, NC; a daughter, Katharine F. Dix of State College, four grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren. A graveside service will be held on Monday, May 14, 2007 at 2: 30 p.m., at the East Harrisburg Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Rutherford House, 330 Parkview Lane, Harrisburg, PA 17111.

Note: Ruth was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Sunday, May 13, 2007.

Mary W. Paulding
[1920 - 2007]

Mary W. Paulding, 87, of Mechanicsburg, joined her husband of 57 years, Jack, in eternal rest on November 14, 2007. Born June 19, 1920, she was the daughter of the late Jesse and Mabel (Johnson) Williamson. In addition to her parents and husband, John H. Paulding, sister, Frances Miller and niece, Linda Campbell, preceded her in death. Mary is survived by a daughter, Catherine Ketchum; 2 sons, Robert A. Paulding (Marge) and John H. Paulding, Jr.; 3 grandchildren, Benjamin Ketchum, Jay Paulding and Leiland Paulding; and 2 nieces. Mary was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother with a keen sense of fashion. She spent her early professional years as a fashion model in NYC. She was a member of Christ Presbyterian Church. In the past she was very active in her church and also served as an Elder. She volunteered many hours to the Meals on Wheels, Harrisburg Hospital and Country Meadows, and participated in the walk for Alzheimer's for many years. She was an avid baseball fan, especially loved attending the Harrisburg Senator's games. Mary enjoyed playing golf, especially with Jack, as they were both members of the Carlisle Country Club. She also enjoyed barbershop quartet music. Memorial service will be held Monday, November 19, 2007 at 2 p.m., at Christ Presbyterian Church, 421 Deerfield Road, Camp Hill, PA, with Dr. Tim Roach officiating. The family will receive friends from 1 p.m., until the time of service. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Pinnacle Health Hospice, 3705 Elmwood Drive, Harrisburg, PA 17110. Arrangements by Auer Memorial Home and Cremation Services, Inc., Harrisburg.

Note: Mary was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Saturday, November 17, 2007.

Jean C. Row
[1923 - 2008]

Jean C. Row of Dover, died Thursday, August 21, 2008 in her home. She was 85. Jean Row was born April 15, 1923 in Shippensburg, PA, to the late John E. Coffey and Kathryn Fogelsanger Coffey. She graduated from Shippensburg High School in 1940 and earned her B.S. in Education Degree at Shippensburg State Teachers College, now Shippensburg University in 1943, having taken an accelerated program because of World War II. From 1943 to 1949, she was a teacher in the public schools at Mount Union, Pennsylvania. On May 21, 1944 Jean and Howard E. Row of Millersburg, PA, were married at Grace Reformed Church, now known as U.C.C in Shippensburg. They moved to Dover, February 1953. Jean has been a teacher in Sunday schools, a director at Church activities, a leader in Girl Scouts and coordinator of a recreational program for children of migrants. At St. Andrews Evangelical Lutheran Church in Dover she was Luther League Advisor in the 1960's and historian for its first 32 years. She compiled an extensive genealogical record of the Coffey, Fogelsanger, Row, and Elicker families and

wrote historical accounts of individual members which are available for research at the appropriate historical society libraries. Jean was a guide for Dover Heritage Trail, Inc., from 1980 to 1992 and tour director from 1985 to 1992. She researched and wrote a guidebook for the Victorian Dover Historic District and researched and expended the guidebook for the Old Dover Historic District. Jean donated photo portraits of Sarah Wistar Miller to the Leon DeValinger Hall of Records. These were hung near the vault where the charter documents from Charles and James Duke of York are preserved. The documents were gifts for the State of Delaware from Sarah Wistar Miller in 1909. She is survived by her husband of 64 years, Howard E. Row of Dover; two sons, David A. Row and his wife, Mary of Colorado Springs, Colorado, and John H. Row; granddaughters, Julie B. Row Ingram and Debbie Row Whately and her husband, Shane; great grandchildren, Aspen, Nickolas, Katie Whatley and Grant T.J. Ingram. Services will be private. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions be made to St. Andrews Lutheran Church, 425 N. Dupont Highway, Dover, DE 19901 and gifts designated to be used for maintaining historical records. Arrangements by Torbert Funeral Chapels, Dover. Letters of condolences may be sent, and guestbook signed at torbertfuneral.com.

Note: Jean was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Saturday, August 23, 2008.

William A. Miller, Jr.
[1930 - 2009]

William A. Miller, Jr., 78, of Harrisburg, passed away with his family by his side on Monday, April 20, 2009. He was born in Harrisburg on December 28, 1930, the son of the late William A. Sr., and Anna R. (McAuliffe) Miller. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Joan Marie. He was a graduate of Harrisburg Catholic High School, Class of 1950 and was an Army Veteran of the Korean War as a member of Headquarters Company of the 28th Division. He was retired from the Harrisburg Post Office and was a lifelong Notre Dame fan. He was also a member of the West Shore NARFE and St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church. Surviving are his loving wife of 55 years, Mary E. (Gummo) Miller; children, William C. Miller and his wife Ann Miller, Katherine Scheib and her husband Ronald Scheib, Patricia Lenker and her husband James Lenker, Richard Miller and Beth Miller; 2 sisters, Mary Frances Miller and Barbara Decker; a brother, Richard M. Miller; 9 grand children and 8 great grand children. Viewing will be held on Monday from 6-8 p.m., at Dailey Funeral Home, Penbrook. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m., on Tuesday April 28, 2009 in his church, St. Margaret Mary. Burial with military honors will be in Indiantown Gap National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in his memory to the American Heart Association, 1517 Cedar Cliff Drive, Camp Hill PA 17011 or a charity of one's choosing. The Dailey Funeral Home is honored to serve the Miller family. www.daileyfuneralhome.com.

Note: William was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Sunday, April 26, 2009.

Annajane O. Wise
[1921 - 2010]

Annajane O. Wise, 89, of Shiremanstown, died Monday April 19, 2010 in Holy Spirit Hospital, East Pennsboro Twp. She was born in Enid, OK to the late John T. and Ora Z. (Buzard) Overheim. In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by a brother John T. Overheim, Jr. and a sister Margaret E. Herold. She is survived by her husband David N. Wise; a son Stanley Hollenbaugh and wife Andrea of East Berlin, PA; a sister Marcella Z. Patterson of Butler, PA; two grandchildren, Beth Ann Shover and Daniel Hollenbaugh; and four great grandchildren. Graveside services will be held at 10:30 am on Thursday April 22, 2010 in Rolling Green Cemetery, Lower Allen Twp. Memorial contributions may be made to Shriners Hospital for Children, c/ o Zembo Shrine, 2801 N. Third Street Harrisburg, PA 17110. To send messages of condolence to Mr. Wise, please visit www.Parthemore.com.

Note: Annajane was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Wednesday, April 21, 2010.

Betty S. Hummel
[1926 - 2010]

Betty Mae Sandt Becker Hummel, 84, of Dauphin, passed away on December 16, 2010 at Osteopathic Hospital. She was the daughter of Edward Clarence and Florence (Meyers) Sandt, born in Stockertown, PA, on March 6, 1926. Betty graduated from Nazareth High School, Nazareth, PA; from Geisinger Memorial Hospital, Danville, PA as a U.S. Cadet Nurse; and later from Temple University, Philadelphia, PA. as an R.N. She was employed at Harrisburg State Hospital as Director of Nursing and Assistant Clinical Director until retirement in 1986. She was a member the Dauphin/Middle Paxton Garden Club, Dauphin Red Hats, Board member of Central Region PARSE, Board member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society, Board member of the Harrisburg State Hospital Blood Bank, President of First Step to Nutrition, Inc., President of the Harrisburg State Hospital Historical Society, and Past President and twice Woman of the Year of the Millersburg Charter Chapter of American Business Women's Association. Betty was predeceased by husbands Carl Wilson Becker and Robert Lee Hummel, Sr. She is survived by a brother Edward C. Sandt, Jr. of Trexlertown, PA, sons William Carl Becker, wife Jayne of Northfield, NH, Mark Alan Hummel, wife Lisa of Dauphin, PA, stepdaughter Patricia Jane Shatto, husband M. Thomas of Galeton, PA, stepson Robert Lee Hummel, Jr., wife Melissa of Everett, PA, one granddaughter Katlin Ashley

Hummel of Dauphin, PA, 8 step-grandchildren and 8 step-great-grandchildren. A memorial service will be held on January 8, 2011 at Clarks Valley Evangelical Church at 10:30 am. Interment will be private. Memorial donations may be made to the Scholarship Fund, Millersburg Charter Chapter of American Business Women's Association, c/o President Rose Paulus, 44 Dividing Ridge Road, Halifax, PA 17032. Memorial condolences can be made at www.geiglefuneralhome.com.

Note: Betty was a Director and a Board Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Tuesday, December 21, 2010.

Warren W. Wirebach
[1916-2011]

Warren W. Wirebach, 95, of Middletown died Thursday night, December 8, 2011, at the Middletown Manor. He was the son of the late Warren E. and Olive Nothacker Wirebach. He had retired from State service as Personnel Director at South Mountain Restoration Center at South Mountain, PA and had been office Manager for Consolidated Cigar Corporation of West Pittston. He was the Librarian at The Historical Society of Dauphin County for 21 years, retiring in 2005. He was a member of St. Matthews Evangelical Lutheran Church of Scranton and Post #27, American Legion, Harrisburg. For 36 years he was president of the Weyerbacher Family Reunion of Bucks County, of which he was the co founder. There are no immediate survivors. The funeral service will be held on Saturday at 11:30am from the Trinity Lutheran Church, 205 W. Grove St. Clarks Summit, PA. Interment will be in Shady Lane Cemetery, Chinchilla, PA. Friends may call on Saturday from 11 a.m., until the time of the service at the church. Arrangements entrusted to the Lawrence E. Young Funeral Home, 418 S. State St., Clarks Summit. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the Good Shepherd Foundation, Good Shepherd Plaza, 850 S. 5th St., Allentown, PA 18103 or to the Historical Society of Dauphin County, Attn: Endowment Fund, 219 S. Front St. Harrisburg, PA 17104.

Note: Warren was a Charter Member of the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

This obituary appeared in Patriot-News, The (Harrisburg, PA) - Saturday, December 10, 2011.