

Area Obituaries



John J. Markel
Dedham, MA

John J. Markel of Dedham, MA, died Nov. 21, 2017. He was the beloved husband of the late Marguerite (Connors) Markel, and devoted father of Mary Markel Murphy and her husband, David, of Weymouth. He was also the beloved brother of Stephanie Grum and Johanna Morosky both of Brown Dale.

Born in Feb. 7, 1930 in Brown Dale, one of 12 children, John was the son of the late Anthony and Mary Ravnikar Markel and was a Korean War Veteran, U.S. Navy and a retired employee of Nissan Motor Corp. He was a graduate of Forest City High School, Class of 1948.

John supported causes that alleviated the plight of U.S. Native Americans. He loved fishing, bird-watching, and gardening.

He was also preceded in death by brothers Frank, Vincent, Ivan and Anthony; and sisters, Elsie, Martha, Rose, Agnes, and Mary.

He is survived by nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

Funeral arrangements by the George F. Doherty & Sons Wilson-Cannon Funeral Home, 456 High St., Dedham, on Nov. 27 followed by a funeral Mass in St. Mary Church, Dedham. Interment in Forest Hills Cemetery, Boston.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made in John's memory to the Native American Heritage Association, P.O. Box 512, Rapid City, SD 57709.



John C. Hessling
Carbondale

John C. Hessling, 56, of Carbondale, died Sunday, December 10, 2017 at home after an illness.

Born in Carbondale, son of Joan Supon Hessling, Carbondale, and the late James J. Hessling, he was a member of Saint Rose of Lima Church, Carbondale. He was a graduate of Saint Rose High School, Carbondale, and he earned as Associate's degree in Science from Penn State Worthington Scranton. He was a US Army veteran of Operation Desert Storm and a veteran of the Pennsylvania Army National Guard. He was a member of the American Legion Post 221, Carbondale. He was employed at Tobyhanna Army Depot as a Firefinder Radar Technician.

Also surviving are two daughters: Helena Hessling, Dunmore; Paige Mandarano and her husband Paul, Scranton; a sister: Kathy Pelick and husband Bill, Brown Dale; two brothers Jim Hessling and wife Anne, Carbondale; Tom Hessling and wife Robyn, Milwaukee, WI; and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral was Wednesday, December 13 from the Brennan & Brennan Funeral Home, Inc., 55 Lincoln Avenue, Carbondale, with Mass of Christian Burial in Saint Rose of Lima Church, Carbondale. Interment, Our Mother of Sorrows Cemetery, Finch Hill.

For directions or to send online condolences, please visit the funeral home's website.



Gladys Florence Sever
Brown Dale

Gladys Florence Sever, 97, of Brown Dale, died Wednesday, December 6th at Geisinger CMC, Scranton. Her husband, Francis Leonard Sever, preceded her in death on October 31, 1994. The couple was married on October 13, 1942.

Born in Brown Dale, daughter of the late Jozef and Johana Harvatin Polonic, she resided at the homestead where she was born. She was educated in Brown Dale Schools and the Forest City High School. Prior to retirement, she was employed as a seamstress in several local garment factories. She was a member of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union and the KSKJ Slovenian Society. Gladys always had a beautiful garden at the family homestead filled with flowers. She was a magnificent cook, who loved to make baked goods, especially Slovenian baked goods. She was an expert at handcrafted items, knitting and crocheting for family members and friends. Gladys was a hard-working and kind wife, mother, and grandmother who had been devoted to her family.

She fulfilled her wish to see her grandchildren, Christine and Jennifer, graduate from college. They both brought her endless hours of great joy and she loved them dearly.

Surviving are two sons: Thomas Sever and wife Catherine and Raymond Sever; two granddaughters: Christine and Jennifer Sever, and several nieces and nephews.

She was also preceded in death by two sisters: Mary Tovornik and Jennie Casper; and two brothers: Frank and Joseph Polonic.

Private funeral services were held with a Mass of Christian Burial in Saint Joseph's Church, Forest City. Interment followed in Saint Joseph's Cemetery, Forest City. Arrangements by the Jones & Brennan Funeral Home, 430 Main Street, Forest City.

Raffle chances to support U'dale fire co.

The Union Dale Volunteer Fire Co. Sportsman's raffle with 28 chances to win in February 2018 is now available.

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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the members and officer's of UDVFC.



Sharon Rose Aileo
Carbondale

Sharon Rose Aileo, 68, a lifetime resident of Carbondale, died suddenly Sunday, December 10, 2017 at Geisinger Community Medical Center, Scranton. Her husband of 49 years is Anthony John Aileo Sr.

Born Oct. 22, 1949, in Carbondale, daughter of the late Stanley and Rose Lee Karwan, Sharon was a graduate of Lakeland High School and a member of the First United Methodist Church of Carbondale. She worked years ago at Bond's Jewelers, Carbondale, and then at St. Joseph's Center, Carbondale, for 25 years before being semi-retired.

Sharon was a kind and generous person who always saw the good in everyone. She had a heart of gold, willing to help anyone and enjoyed making special meals on birthdays for anyone in her family. She will be deeply missed by her family, especially the apple of her eye, her grandson Anthony, III, and her faithful friend, Kane, her cat.

She is also survived by two sons, Anthony "Cheezie" Aileo Jr. and wife, Mari-beth, Jessup; and Jay Aileo and wife, Cyndi, Simpson; two grandchildren, Anthony Aileo III and Gary Nestor, both of Jessup; two step-granddaughters, Summer Klikus and Kim Cost, both of Carbondale; three brothers, Christopher Karwan and wife, Paula, Vandling; Stanley and Richard Karwan, both of New York; mother-in-law, Betty Anschuetz, Carbondale; three sisters-in-law, Betty Aileo and husband, Patrick Kennedy, Clarks Green; Cindy Carney and husband, Joseph, Phoenixville; and Mary Aileo, Carbondale.

She was also preceded in death by an aunt, Betty "Lizzy" Cost; and sister-in-law, Carrie Aileo.

The funeral was Wednesday, December 13 from the First United Methodist Church of Carbondale, 20 N. Church St., Carbondale, celebrated by Pastor Donald Perry. Interment at Willow View Cemetery, Clifford.

Arrangements are entrusted to the Carmine J. & Louis C. Parise Funeral Home & Cremation Services Inc., Carbondale.

To share condolences and photos with Sharon's family, visit her book of everlasting memories at www.parisefuneralhome.com.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Sharon's name to the Griffin Pond Animal Shelter, 967 Griffin Pond Road, South Abington Twp., PA 18411.



Jerry Edward Tuttle, Jr.
Kingsley

Jerry Edward Tuttle, Jr., 29, of Kingsley, died Saturday, December 9, 2017, as a result of a motor vehicle accident in Elba, NY. His wife is the former Raechelle Rowan; the couple had just married on October 7th.

Born in Carbondale, son of Jerry E. and Crystal Swingle Tuttle, Sr., of Forest City, he was a graduate of Forest City Regional High School, Class of 2007. He was employed as a truck driver for Paul Marshall Produce, Elba, NY. Jerry loved being a truck driver, wanting to be one since he was a little kid. He was the most loving person you would ever meet, and he made friends wherever he went. Jerry was a very humble man. Those that knew him knew he was an old soul. He loved playing records and watching old movies, especially ones with Humphrey Bogart. He enjoyed fishing, and he loved the house that he and Raechelle made their own.

Also surviving are four brothers: Craig Tuttle, Milaville; Travis Tuttle, Pleasant Mount; Ryan Tuttle, Forest City; Robert Tuttle, Mayfield; a sister: Suzanna Little, Scranton; a paternal grandmother: Shirley Tuttle, Forest City; nieces and nephews: Jax and Evelyn VanNort; Lucy and Maisie Rowan; Ava Tuttle; Brooklyn Little; and Elijah Robertson; a godson: Ethan Rentner; and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins.

The funeral was Saturday, December 16 in the Brennan & Brennan Funeral Home, Inc., 55 Lincoln Avenue, Carbondale, with services by the Rev. John Hardman-Zimmerman. Interment was at the convenience of the family.

For online condolence, please visit the funeral home's website.

James Richards Johnson

Pompton Plains, NJ

James Richards (Jim) Johnson passed away after a short illness. He was 85. Jim was born in Dover, NJ to Howard C. Johnson and Helen (Richards) Johnson. He attended local schools, and graduated from Lehigh University with a Business Administration degree in 1954. After serving time in the US Navy as a naval aviation cadet and then aboard the aircraft carrier USS Bennington from 1954 - 1956, Jim married Verna Lou Banks in 1957. They resided in Succasunna, NJ, Rockaway Township, NJ, and in retirement at Cedar Crest Village, Pompton Plains, NJ. Jim and Verna spent many weekends and summers at Cottrell Lake, Union Dale, PA with friends and extended family.

Jim joined his father as the third generation operating the family business in Dover, NJ providing moving and storage services, delivering

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& Grandparents
~ Mary & Edward Debevec ~
Rest in Heavenly Peace
Love, Mary Ann,
Jim, & Ian*



Blue Coal to homes, and then as a heating oil dealer, including many years servicing heating and air conditioning systems, until his retirement in 2001.

Jim is survived by Verna Lou, his wife of 60 years, his children David (Beverly) of Essex Fells, NJ, Eric (Linda) of West Chester, PA, Steven (Sandy) of Midland Park, NJ, and Kristin Shute (Josh) of Allendale, NJ, and seven grandchildren, Katie Johnson, Becky Johnson, Sara (Johnson) Baginsky, Kyle Johnson, Pierson Shute, Morgan Shute, and Chesley Shute.

Jim was active in local history as his ancestors were founding fathers of Dover and surrounding areas. He was a member of the Dover and Rockaway Historical Societies, helped start the Dover History Museum, and was passionate about local geology, rocks and minerals, collecting antique toys and tools, researching the iron mines of the North Jersey area, and crafting jewelry from silver and stones. Jim was an elder and trustee of the First Memorial Presbyterian Church in Dover, and was an assistant Scoutmaster with Boy Scout Troop 14. During summer months, Jim and family camped and traveled though every state in the US, visiting many National Parks and Monuments, and collecting and trading rocks along the way. Jim enjoyed his eleven years at Cedar Crest, especially working the TV Studio for nine years and giving talks on his many interests including rocks, minerals, and local history.

A memorial service will be held at the Cedar Crest Interfaith Chapel, Pompton Plains, NJ on Saturday, December 30, 2017 at 11:00 am, with a reception to follow. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Jim can be made to either the Memorial Fund at the First Presbyterian Church, 51 West Blackwell Street, Dover, NJ 07801, or to the Scholars Fund, Cedar Crest Philanthropy Office, 1 Cedar Crest Village Drive, Pompton Plains, NJ 07444.

Arrangements are by Codey & Jones Funeral Home, Caldwell, NJ. Visit the Codey & Jones website at <http://CodeyJonesFH.com> for more information.



Ann M. Cyzeski
Forest City

Ann M. Cyzeski, 86, of Forest City, died Sunday morning, December 17, 2017 at Wayne Woodland Manor, Waymart. Her husband of 54 years, Frank J. Cyzeski died September 21 2017.

Born June 25, 1931 in Forest City, son of the late John and Ann Dunleavy Clark. She was a parishioner of Ascension Parish, playing the organ in church from when she was 12. She was a member of the Forest City American Legion Auxiliary and the Knights of Lithuania.

Ann attained two Master Degrees, one from Seton Hill College, NJ and the other from the University of Scranton. She taught Latin in NJ and later was Forest City High School Principal from 1962 until the early 80's and then Forest City Elementary School Principal until her retirement in 1997.

Her biggest joy was becoming a mother and later a grandmother. She was lovingly devoted to her family her whole life.

Surviving is a son Frank Cyzeski, Forest City and a daughter Dr. Margaret Cyzeski, Timonium, MD; a grand daughter Annika Hambleton; nieces and nephews.

Also preceded in death by a sister Margaret Holmes.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be Friday, December 22 at 10 AM in St. Joseph's Church, Forest City. Viewing will be Thursday from 4 to 7 pm in the Joseph W. Scotchlas Funeral Home, Inc., 621 Main Street, Simpson and from 9:30 until Mass time at the church. Interment in St. Anthony's Cemetery.

Condolences: www.lesjack-funeralhome.com.

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