

## Obituaries for June, July, and August 2021 – Fall Newsletter 2021 Web Site

*Written by Tom Kashatus* The Newport Township Community Organization (NTCO) has added an obituary page to its quarterly newsletter as of the 2014 winter issue. These obituaries are in reference to individuals who have ties to Newport Township and/or Newport Township High School. This page has been receiving favorable news reviews from our readers and we hope that it continues into the future. The obituaries in this newsletter are published in abbreviated form due to limited space; thusly, it has been decided to run a more complete obituary on our web site, [www.newporttownship.com](http://www.newporttownship.com), (to include a photo, employment, survivors, predeceased family, church membership, funeral director, place of interment, etc.) as space available is not a relative issue. There is also a link leading to the original newspaper obit or that of the funeral home. As usual, your comments are always welcome; and, if someone is missed, please notify this writer at [tomkashatus@gmail.com](mailto:tomkashatus@gmail.com) or call (570) 736-6981.

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**SOSNOWSKI, Alexander J.**, 56, of Glen Lyon, passed away, June 13, 2021, at Residential Hospice Wilkes Barre. Alexander was born in Pittston; and he was the son of the late Alexander J. Sosnowski Sr. and Theresa (Thomas) Sosnowski. He is survived by his sisters, Theresa Sosnowski-Gruver and Catherine Roberts (husband, Jim); and brother, Christopher Sosnowski. Arrangements were made with Kniffen O'Malley Loeffler Funeral & Cremation Services.

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<https://www.kniffenfuneralhome.com/obituary/Alexander-SosnowskiJr>

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/citizensvoice/name/alexander-sosnowski-obituary?pid=199050109>

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**STAVETSKI, David J. II**, 33, of Sheatown, passed away Thursday, June 10, 2021, in Geisinger South, Wilkes Barre. David was born in Wilkes Barre on April 26, 1968; and he was the son of David J. Stavetski I and Frances (Lilienthal) Stavetski. David was predeceased by his stepfather, Dan Kyte. Besides his parents, he is survived by his wife, Joanna (Barkasy) Stavetski; daughters, Reigha and Bailey; son, Gage; and sisters, Melissa Hossage and Kate Stavetski. Arrangements were made with George A. Strish Funeral Home of Ashley.

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<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/citizensvoice/name/david-stavetski-obituary?pid=199050376>

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**MACK, Barbara J.** (nee Dillon), 86, of West Nanticoke, passed away Wednesday, June 9, 2021, at Residential Hospice, Geisinger South Wilkes Barre. Barbara was predeceased by her husband of 54 years, Gerald Mack, who was born and raised in Glen Lyon and a graduate of Newport township High School. Mr. Mack was also a principal in Greater Nanticoke Area School District.

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<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/citizensvoice/name/barbara-mack-obituary?pid=199044038>

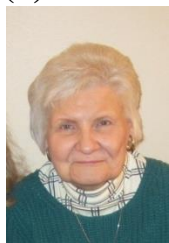
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**BROWN, Earle F.**, 83, of Slocum Township, passed away on Monday, May 10, 2021, at home. Earl was born at home in Hollenback Township on May 22, 1938; and he was the son of the late Marvin and Eve (Ungenmach) Brown. In his youth he attended Newport Township schools. He had owned and operated Earle Brown Trucking for the past 60 years. He was a member of Faith United Methodist Church in Slocum. Besides his parents, Earle was predeceased by his wife of 58 years, Judith M. (Shoemaker) Brown; brother, Elsworth Brown, sisters, Nancy Houseknecht, Shirley Desmarais, and Janet Brown. He is survived by his children, Kenneth (wife Kathy) Brown; Carlene Bravo; Pamela Judge (husband, Joel); Franklin Brown (husband Wesley Swinson); Denise Brown (companion, Leonard Cicchiello); and Nathan Brown (wife Renee); and brother, Ralph Brown of Nanticoke. Arrangements were made with Heller Funeral Home, LLC of Nescopeck.

<http://hellerfuneral.com/Obituaries.html>

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**BEEUNAS, Joan M.**, 79, of Wanamie, passed away Tuesday, June 22,, 2021, at Birchwood Healthcare Center, Nanticoke. Joan was born on December 17, 1941, raised in Wanamie; and she was the daughter of the late Joseph and Dorothy (Kovalich) Beeunas. She was a graduate of Newport Township High School class of "59." She worked for and retired from Bell Telephone and subsequent companies. She worshipped at Saint Mary's Church in Wanamie and later at Saint Adalbert's Church in Glen Lyon. Joan is survived by her Aunt Theresa Legge (husband, Robert) of Wanamie. Arrangements were made with Davis-Dinelli Funeral Home of Nanticoke; and interment was in Saint John the Baptist Cemetery of Glen Lyon.

Published in the Citizens' Voice on June 24. 2021.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/citizensvoice/name/joan-beeunas-obituary?pid=199156168>

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**KOBAL, Arline** (nee Rogowicz), 91, of Levittown, formerly of Newport Township, passed away June 17, 2021, at home. Arline was born in Glen Lyon on September 26, 1929; and she was the daughter of the late Edward and Celia (Dutch) Rogowicz. She was raised in Glen Lyon and graduated from Newport Township High School class of "48." Early in life she worked for Trenton National Bank and retired from Wachovia, later Wells Fargo Bank in Trenton.

Arline was predeceased by her husband of over 65 years, George Kobal; sisters, Laura Sherin and Josephine "Tina" Peterfreund; and brothers, Joseph and Edward Rogowicz. Arline is survived by her children, Joanna (husband, Ron), David (wife, Amy), and John (wife, Sharon). Arrangements were made with Dougherty Funeral Home of Levittown; mass was celebrated at Cabrini Church in Fairless Hills; and interment was at All Saints Cemetery in Newtown.

Published by Bucks County Courier Times from Jun. 21 to Jun. 22, 2021.

<https://www.doughertyfuneralhome.com/obituary/arline-kobal>

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**WOLFE, Elda Jane** (nee Reider), 85, of Shickshinny, formerly of Glen Lyon, passed away Sunday, June 27, 2021, at Bonham's Nursing Center in Stillwater. Elda was born on January 16, 1936, in Glen Lyon; and she was the daughter of the late Bruce and Mable (Rineheimer) Reider. She was raised in Glen Lyon and was a graduate of Newport Township High School class of "53." She was a member of Shickshinny United Methodist Church. Besides her parents, she was predeceased by her first husband, Reynold Gregory; second husband, Joseph Wolfe; and brothers, Curtis, John, Ken, Elwood, and George. Elda is survived by her children, Clark and Dawn; and sister, Lorraine Reynolds. Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Charles L. Cease Funeral Home of Shickshinny and burial was in Sorber Cemetery of Shickshinny/

Published in the Citizens' Voice on Wednesday, June 30, 2021.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/citizensvoice/name/elda-wolfe-obituary?pid=199227221>

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**YANCHIK, Amelia "Millie,"** (nee Beeunas), 91, of Chase, formerly of Newport Township, passed away Saturday, July 3, 2021, at Residential Hospice, Wilkes Barre. Millie was born in Wanamie on August 27, 1929; and she was the daughter of the late Francis and Amelia (Latonis) Beeunas. She was raised in Wanamie and was a graduate of Newport Township High School. Amelia retired from the garment industry after many years of service; was an active member of Saint Theresa's Church and the ILGWU; and a volunteer at the Meadows Nursing Home. Besides her parents, she was predeceased by her husband, Edwin Joseph Yanchik; brothers, John, Joseph, and Thomas; and sister, Eleanor Pucylowski. Amelia is survived by her sons, Edwin (Patsy), Chris (Denice), Craig (Belinda), and Brian (Debby). Arrangements were made with Curtis L. Swanson Funeral Home Inc. of Pikes Creek and burial was in Saint Mary's Cemetery of Hanover Township.

Published in the Citizens' Voice on July 5, 2021.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/citizensvoice/name/amelia-yanchik-obituary?pid=199336334>

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**MARSHALL, Michael J.,** 34, of Mountain Top, passed away April 26, 2021, at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital in Philadelphia. Michael graduated from Crestwood High School and Duquesne University and worked as a flight attendant. He was the son of Dawn and Michael Marshall, an Alden native and former Newport Township police officer.

Published in the Citizens' Voice on April 29, 2021.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/citizensvoice/name/michael-marshall-obituary?pid=198490674>

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**MICELI, Vera R.**, (nee Lupini), 91, a longtime resident of Washington, D.C., formerly of Newport Township, entered into eternal rest on April 14, 2021. She was a first generation Italian-American born in Glen Lyon on July 5, 1929; and she was the daughter of the late Augusta and Adella Lupini. She was raised in Glen Lyon and was a graduate of Newport Township High School class of “47.”

She was also a graduate of Temple University in 1951 with a degree in Medical Technology. She volunteered much of her time to her community over the years. Vera was predeceased by her husband, Frank A. Miceli; sons, Orazio A. Miceli (wife, Debbie) and John A. Miceli (wife, Mary). She is survived by her daughters, Nina Guthridge (husband, Tom) of Winchester, VA; Maria Sawyer (husband, Tim) of Silver Spring, MD; and Frances Whetsone (husband, Shawn) of Fairfax Station, VA. Arrangements were made with Universal Mortuary of Washington, D. C.; and interment was at Fort Lincoln Cemetery in Brentwood, MD.

Published in the Washington Post on June 26, 2021.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/washingtonpost/name/vera-miceli-obituary?pid=199121270>

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**DYMOND, Thomas**, 81, of Glen Lyon, passed away Wednesday, July 7, 2021, in the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Plains Township. He was preceded in death by his wife Alice P. (Hillman)

Dymond, who was born and raised in Wanamie and a graduate of Newport Township High School class of “60.” He is survived by his daughter, Tammie; and grandson, Steven. Arrangements were made with George A. Strish Inc. Funeral Home of Glen Lyon.

Published in the Citizens’ Voice on July 9, 2021.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/citizensvoice/name/thomas-dymond-obituary?pid=199381528>

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**YANINAS, Walter J.**, 68, of Glen Lyon, passed away Wednesday, July 7, 2021, in Geisinger South, Wilkes Barre. **Walter was a veteran of the US Navy.** Funeral arrangements were made with George A. Strish Inc.

Funeral Home of Glen Lyon.

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<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/citizensvoice/name/walter-yaninas-obituary?pid=199429084>

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**HAMRICK, Dennis “Den-Den”**, 87, of Glen Lyon, passed away June 26, 2021, in the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Plains Township. **“Den-Den” was a veteran of the US Navy.** He is survived by his wife of 31

years, Eleanor (Ricci) Wrubel; and sister, Beatrice. Arrangements were made with Stanley S. Stegura Funeral Home Inc. of Nanticoke; and burial was at Chapel Lawn Cemetery of Dallas.



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<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/citizensvoice/name/dennis-hamrick-obituary?pid=199436823>

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**STELTZ, Stella** (nee Zurek), 57, of Nanticoke, and formerly of Glen Lyon, passed away Saturday, July 10, 2021, in Geisinger South Wilkes Barre. Stella was born in Wilkes Barre on February 24, 1964; and she was the daughter of the late Edward and Patricia Zurek. She was a graduate of John S. Fine High School of Greater Nanticoke Area class of "82." Besides her parents, she was predeceased by her husband, David Steltz Sr. Stella is survived by her sons, David Steltz Jr., and Brian Steltz; partner, James Yale; and siblings, David Zurek, Beverly Wilcox, and Patricia Zurek. Arrangements were made with Stanley S. Stegura Funeral Home Inc. of Nanticoke.

Published in the Citizens' Voice on Wednesday, July 14, 2021.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/citizensvoice/name/stella-steltz-obituary?pid=199448018>

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**ARNEIL, Michael A.**, 31, of Glen Lyon passed away Thursday, July 8, 2021, in Glen Lyon. Arrangements were made with George A. Strish Inc. Funeral Home, 211 W. Main Street, Glen Lyon.

Published in the Citizens' Voice on Friday, July 16, 2021.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/citizensvoice/name/michael-arneil-obituary?pid=199467799>

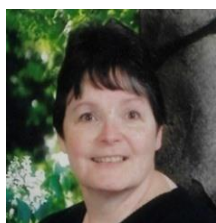
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**BEZDECKI, Marie**, 90, of Drexel Hill Brookhaven, passed away February 28, 2021. Marie was born in Wanamie on August 5, 1930; and she was the daughter of the late Anthony and Helen (Waclawski) Bezdziecki. She was raised in Wanamie and graduated from Newport Township High School class of "47." Beside her parents, Marie was predeceased by her brothers, Henry, Edward, Raymond, and Leonard; and sisters, Theresa Zalot and Loretta Hoffecker. She had been employed as a secretary for Whitmans and retired from Triple AAA in Philadelphia. Arrangements were made with George A. Strish Funeral Home Inc. of Glen Lyon; and burial was in Saint Adalbert's Cemetery of Glen Lyon.

Published in the Citizens' voice on March 3, 2021.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/citizensvoice/name/marie-bezdecki-obituary?pid=197916789>

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**GREGORY, Daisy** (nee Turner), 74, of Naugatuck, CN, formerly of Glen Lyon, passed away Monday, July 12, 2021, at Beacon Brook Health Center, Naugatuck, CT, after a long battle with Alzheimer's disease. Daisy was born August 12, 1946, to the late Donald and Beatrice (Howard) Turner. She was raised in Glen Lyon and graduated from Newport Township High School class of "64." Daisy worked as a nurse's aide at Glendale Nursing Home and retired from Lifetouch Photography in Derby. Besides her parents, she was predeceased by her

brothers, Donald, Frank, and John; and sisters, Betty Bogdon and Mary Schwartz. Daisy is survived by her husband of 56 years, Daniel Gregory; children, Donald Gregory (wife, Lynne), Darren Gregory (wife, Kristi); and Diana Godfrey; brother, Ralph; and sister, Ruth Soley. Published in the Citizens' Voice on Wednesday, July 28, 2021.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/citizensvoice/name/daisy-gregory-obituary?pid=199594983>

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**MAGER, Frank** (nee Maguda), 91, of Kingston, died Saturday, July 31, 2021. Frank was born in Newport Township and he was the son of the late

John and Blanche Maguda. He was a member of Temple B'nai B'rith and **served his country proudly in the US Army and US Marine Corps**. He was a member of the Carpenters' Union and worked as a carpenter most of his life. Besides his parents, Frank was predeceased by his sister, Irene and brother Edward. He is survived by his wife, Esther Cohen Mager; and sisters, Celia, Bernadine, and Eleanor. Arrangements were made with Rosenberg Funeral Chapel, Inc. of Wilkes Barre and burial was in Temple B'nai B'rith Cemetery of South Wilkes Barre.

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<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/citizensvoice/name/frank-mager-obituary?pid=199652566>

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**VITALE, Bernard Sr. "Pop,"** 74, of Glen Lyon, passed away Tuesday, Aug. 3, 2021, in the care of Allied Services Meade Street Skilled Nursing Center, Wilkes Barre. "Pop" was born September 15, 1946, in Hanover Township, one of six

children; and he was the son of the late Sebastian and Mary (Koveleski) Vitale. He was educated in Hanover Township schools and was a graduate of Hanover Memorial High School.

**He was a US Navy veteran during the Viet Nam War serving aboard the U.S.S. Fulton.** He became educated as a certified welder and served as a welding instructor for the Welder Training and Testing Institute of Wilkes Barre Township. "Pop" retired from employment with the former Morreale Mid City Service of Wyoming. He attended the Saint Aloysius Church in Wilkes Barre. "Pop" is survived by his son, Bernard T. Vitale Jr. (wife, Michelle) of Kingston; daughter, Lisa M. Vitale (husband, Mark Domanski) of Hunlock Creek; brothers, Sebastian Vitale Jr. (wife, Jenny) of Wilkes Barre; Gerald Vitale (wife, Rita) of Edwardsville; and Philip Vitale of Wilkes Barre; sisters, Julie Vitale of Wilkes Barre and Gloria Vitale of Pittsburgh; and his former spouse, Laverne S. (Garey) Vitale-Ent of Pittston. Arrangements were made with John V. Morris Family Funeral Home Inc. of Wilkes Barre.

Published in the Citizens' Voice on August 4 and 5, 2021, and Morris Family Funeral Home obituaries.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/citizensvoice/name/bernard-vitale-obituary?pid=199679608https://s3.amazonaws.com/CFSV2/obituaries/photos/5639/731463/610bd06b20b01.jpg>

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**KOWALCHIN, George**, 67, of Plymouth, formerly of Newport Center of Sheatown, passed away Tuesday, July 27, 2021, in Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center. George was born in Nanticoke on March 30, 1954 and raised in Newport Township; and he was the son of the late Albert and Alice (Rustay) Kowalchin. George attended Newport Township schools. He had been employed by Atwater Throwing Company of Plymouth. Besides his parents, George had been predeceased by his brothers, Albert and Jerry; partner in crime -, Marie Eisenhower; and grandson, Winter Goss. He is survived by his wife of 28 years, Tina (Eisenhower) Kowalchin of Plymouth; son, Joseph (Stephanie) Goss of Dallas; daughter, Amber (John) Broadwater of Hanover; brothers, Tom (Jane) and Wayne (Annette) Kowalchin. Arrangements were made with Williams-Hagen Funeral Home of Plymouth.

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<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/citizensvoice/name/george-kowalchin-obituary?pid=199729528>

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**WARCHAL, Eugene P.**, 86, of Freehold, NJ, formerly of Newport Township, passed away at Jersey Shore University Medical Center, Neptune, on Tuesday, August 10, 2021. Gene was born and raised in Glen Lyon; and he was the son of the late Eugene Warchal and Helen Parrella. Besides his parents, he was predeceased by his first wife, Beverly. He is survived by his wife, Rose Marie; children, Michael, Kenneth, and Patricia; and sister, Deborah (Everett) Marshall. **He was a veteran of the US Navy during the Korean War** serving from 1952 to 1955. He retired as a machinist operator from Delco Battery GMC in New Brunswick. He was a member of Saint Rose of Lima Church in Freehold. Arrangements were made with Freeman Funeral Home of Freehold.

Published in the Ashbury Park Press on August 12, 2021.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/mycentraljersey/name/eugene-warchal-obituary?pid=199734797>

*Memories to share... The **ROMEO Club** of New Jersey (Retired Old Men Eating Out): Born in Glen Lyon and transplanted to New Jersey, these men share old times, current events and a lunch meal several times a year. Three members of the ROMEO Club of New Jersey grew up on one side of the Breaker in Glen Lyon and one grew up on the other side of the Breaker. They met at the Newport High School Alumni Reunion 2000 and then agreed to meet for lunch after the New Year. Their first lunch was in January 2001 at Amy's Diner in Long Branch, NJ and since then they have had lunch there 6 times a year for 18 years. Members: (1) Gene (Windy) Warchal - Freehold (deceased); (2) Pete Forgach - Eatontown (deceased); (3) Tom Tarnowski - Raritan; (4) Joe Bendock - Oceanport; (5) John Kutz - Monroe Township (deceased).*



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**MRUS, John M.**, 86, a life resident of Alden, passed away Thursday, August 12, 2021, at Allied Services Hospice Center. John was born in Nanticoke on October 29, 1934, raised in Alden;

and he was the son of the late Stanley “Dick” and Mary (Czyzyk) Mrus. He was a graduate of Newport Township High School class of “52.” **John served in the US Navy during the Korean War aboard the USS Tripoli Cue 64.** He was recipient of the Carnegie Hero Bronze Medal for saving lives in a boating accident. John retired as a Correction Officer from SCI-Dallas after a 33 year career. He was a member of Nanticoke American Legion Post 350. Besides his parents, John was predeceased by his sister, Florence Novak and her husband Edward Novak of New York. He is survived by his son, John F. Mrus Sr., of Alden; daughter, Jennie Ann Fowler of Alden; and brother, Joseph Mrus (wife, Mary) of Georgia. Arrangements were made with Grontkowski Funeral Home P.C. of Nanticoke; and interment was in Saint Mary’s Cemetery of Hanover Township.

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<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/citizensvoice/name/john-mrus-obituary?pid=199776930>

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**WOMELSDORF, Ronald Sr.**, 78, of Wanamie, passed away Thursday, August 19, 2021, in the Depart of Veterans Affairs, Plains Township. Ronald was born in Wanamie on

November 1, 1942, and he was the son of the late Raymond D.

Womelsdorf and Thelma (Cavill) Womelsdorf. He was raised in Wanamie and attended Newport Township schools. **He was a US Army veteran serving during the Vietnam War** and worked as a truck driver for over 50 years. Besides his parents, he was predeceased by his siblings, Raymond Womelsdorf and Joan Cooper; and godfather, Charles Wilkes. Ronald is survived by his wife, Susan H. (Golanowski) Womelsdorf; and children, Jeffrey V. (Caroline) Womelsdorf; Edward R. Womelsdorf; Ronald C. (Sherry Powell) Womelsdorf Jr.; and Toni Womelsdorf-Ritchie (Russ). Arrangements were made with the Kniffen O’Malley Leffler Funeral Home of Wilkes Barre; and interment with military honors was at the Old Newport Cemetery in Newport Center.

Published in the Citizens’ Voice on Saturday, August 21, 2021.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/citizensvoice/name/ronald-womelsdorf-obituary?pid=199850579>

<https://www.echovita.com/us/obituaries/pa/wilkes-barre/ronald-womelsdorf-sr-13198864>

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**HAYWOOD, Lisa** (nee Baurys), 57, of Camp Hill, passed away at home Saturday, August 14, 2021. Lisa was born in Nanticoke on April 15, 1964; and she was the daughter of Eugene and Maxine (Paveletz) Baurys. She was a graduate of John S. Fine High School of the Greater Nanticoke Area School district, class of “82;” Mansfield University with a BA degree in communications, and Penn State University with a MA degree in Education. She



was employed by Harrisburg Academy teaching English, history and geography. Besides her parents, Lisa is survived by her husband, Mark; daughter, Kathryn; son, Lucas; and sister, Jennifer Levering (husband, Daniel).

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<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/citizensvoice/name/lisa-haywood-obituary?pid=199898009>

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**ATHERTON, Emma Kathryn "Kathleen"** (nee Garvey), 87, of Alden and Glen Lyon, passed away Thursday, August 19, 2021, in Pittston. Emma was born in Wanamie on August 14, 1934; and she was the daughter of the late Daniel J. and Emma (Reinbold) Garvey. She was raised in Wanamie and graduated from Newport Township High School. She retired from Mercy Health Care Center in Sheatown after working many years as a Nurses' Aide.

Besides her parents, she was predeceased by her brothers, Daniel, Leo, and Thomas; and sisters, Irene Fetech, Marie Domzalski, and Lucille Moyer. Emma is survived by her daughter, Roben Gardner (husband, Robert) of Pittston. Arrangements were made with Earl Lohman Funeral Home Inc. of Nanticoke; interment was in Chapel Lawn Memorial Park of Dallas.

Published in the Citizens' Voice on Thursday, August 26, 2021.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/citizensvoice/name/emma-atherton-obituary?pid=199909784>

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**RASAVAGE, Edward J. "Riz,"** of Newfoundland, formerly of Wanamie, died Friday, March 13, 2020, in Regional Hospital of Scranton. Edward was born in Wanamie and he was the son of the late Joseph and Veronica (Turoski)

Rasavage. He was raised in Wanamie and attended Newport Township schools. He was a stalwart baseball player playing semipro ball and with the Glen Lyon Condors. He was a member and usher of Saint Rita's Church of Gouldsboro. **He was a US Navy veteran** and retired as a heavy equipment operator. Besides his parents, "Riz" was predeceased by his wife, the former Bernadine Madursky; son, Mark; and brother, Ben. He is survived by his daughter, Susan Golombos (husband, Greg); and son, Wayne Rasavage (wife, Lisa). Arrangements were made with Frey-Fetsock Funeral Home Inc. of LaAnna; interment was in Pine Grove Cemetery, South Sterling.

Published in the Scranton Times on Sunday, March 15, 2020.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/thetimes-tribune/name/edward-rasavage-obituary?id=2089409>

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**STRZELECKI, Elizabeth A. "Betty"** (nee Schmid), 82, of Wapwallopen passed away on Friday, August 20, 2021. "Betty" was born in Wilkes Barre on April 1, 1939; and she was the daughter of the late Catherine (Reiner) and John Schmid, Sr. She graduated from Newport Township High School. She had been employed in the garment industry, as a nurse's aide, and Wise Markets. She was a member of Saint Joseph's Catholic Church of Berwick. Besides her parents,

she was predeceased by her husband Edward V. Strzelecki; brothers, Joseph, Andrew, and Robert Schmid; sisters, Rose Petty and Catherine Schmid. Betty is survived by her children, Edward Strzelecki, Jr. (wife, Suzanne) of Wapwallopen; Paul Strzelecki (wife Tricia,) of Bloomsburg; William Strzelecki, Sr. (wife, Holly) of Nescopeck; Carol Zalutko (husband, Michael) of Nescopeck; Stefanie DiGennari (husband, Joseph ) of Wapwallopen; brother, John Schmid (wife, Delores) of Wisconsin; and sister-in-law, Lavern Schmid, of Wapwallopen. Arrangements were made with Heller Funeral Home of Nescopeck

<http://hellerfuneral.com/Obituaries.html>

<https://www.echovita.com/us/obituaries/pa/nescopeck/elizabeth-a-strzelecki-13206525>