

John W. Hennen Sr.

McConnellsburg, 87

John William Hennen Sr., 87, McConnellsburg, died Monday, December 15, 2008, at Washington County Hospital from pneumonia.

He was born December 7, 1921 in Spring Gap, Md.

He was retired from the Government Printing Office.

He was an Army veteran of World War II.

He was employed at Book Binders Local #4 Washington, D.C., and was a member of the American Legion, Mayo, Md. He enjoyed golf, fishing, hunting, woodworking, camping and spending time outdoors.

Surviving are his wife, Doris Virginia Hennen, McConnellsburg; sons: John "Jack" Jr. and Richard Hennen, both of Mayo, Md.; brothers: Henry Hennen, Churchton, Md.; Leslie Hennen, Port Charlotte, Fla.; sisters: Madeline Mosier, Ridgeley, W.Va.; Elizabeth Jordon, Shellman, Ga.; Christine Dennis, Sarasota, Fla.; Waveline McDonald, Cumberland, Md.; Maxine Phillips, Prince Frederick, Md.; and Cynthia Nahrwald, Sarasota, Fla.; two grandchildren; Jacklyn Hennen, Ocean City, Md.; and Meredith Hennen, Annapolis, Md.

He was preceded in death by two brothers: Randolph and Frank Hennen.

Funeral services were held Friday, December 19, at 2:00 p.m., at Hardesty Funeral Home, Galesville, Md. Interment was in Lakemont Cemetery, Davidsonville, Md.

Memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimers Association of MD, 1850 York Road, Suite D, Timonium, MD 21093 or the American Cancer Society Relay for Life, 1041 Route 3, North Gambrills, MD 21054.

Mary Ellen Martz

Hustontown, 81

Mary Ellen Martz, 81, formerly of Hustontown, died at 10:03 a.m., Wednesday, December 17, 2008, at the Long-term Care Unit of Fulton County Medical Center, McConnellsburg.

Born October 4, 1927, in McConnellsburg, she was the daughter of the late George Wilmer and Myrtle Lucille Jenny (Woodal) Decker. She was married to Frank S. Martz on September 30, 1945. He survives of the LTC Unit of Fulton County Medical Center.

She is survived by a daughter, Susan Elaine Mumma and husband Edison, Hustontown; two grandchildren" Melissa Jo Kelly, York; and Emily Jo Mumma, Hustontown; two step-grandchildren: Julie Watkins, Shippensburg; and Jacki Cook, Doylesburg; two great-grandchildren and three step-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two sons: Gary Lee and David Michael.

She was a member of the former Hustontown United Methodist Church.

She retired after 20 years service as the cafeteria manager at Forbes Road High School. Prior to that, she had worked at Howard Johnson's restaurant on the Pennsylvania Turnpike and later at the Sideling Hill Plaza.

In earlier years, she, along with her husband, attended the Hustontown Senior Citizens Center.

Funeral services were held at 3:00 p.m., Saturday, December 20, 2008, at the M. R. Brown Funeral Home, Hustontown. Pastor David Carroll and Rev. Richard L. Bernhard officiated.

Interment was made in Hustontown Cemetery.

Lois K. Ramsey

Robertsdale, 66

Lois Kay Ramsey, 66, Robertsdale, died at 5:55 p.m., Thursday, December 18, 2008, at Fulton County Medical Center.

Born September 1, 1942, in Dublin Township, she was the daughter of the late Charles and Ora (Helman) Ramsey.

One sister, Phyllis Long, Waterfall, survives.

She was of the Methodist faith. She was a 1960 graduate of Robertsdale High School. She retired in 2004 after 36 1/2 years service with the Solo Cup Co., Williamsburg.

She loved animals and enjoyed feeding birds and cats. She especially enjoyed helping others.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m., Monday, December 22, at M.R. Brown Funeral Home, Hustontown. Pastor Sam Stoev officiated. Burial was made in Dublin Mills Community Church Cemetery, Hustontown.

Lisa M. Schetrompf

Warfordsburg, 42

Lisa Marie Schetrompf, 42, Warfordsburg, died Wednesday, December 17, 2008, at Washington County Hospital, Hagerstown.

Born September 29, 1966, in Hagerstown, she was the daughter of Carrie Stauffer Weller, Hancock, and the late Herman L. Weller.

She is survived by her husband, James G. Schetrompf, whom she married September 16, 1988, in Hancock.

She had formerly been employed by Foxes Pizza Den in Hancock.

She was a 1984 graduate of Hancock High School.

She was of the Protestant faith.

In addition to her mother and husband, she is survived by a brother, Bryan Keith Stauffer, Hagerstown.

Services were held Saturday, December 20, at 11:00 a.m., at Grove Funeral Home, Hancock. Rev. Jeff Hawbaker officiated. Burial was made in Orchard Ridge First Church of God Cemetery.

Gloria S. Truax

Hancock, 60

Gloria Schlee Truax, 60, Hancock, Md., died Monday, December 15, 2008, at her home.

Born September 25, 1948, in Clear Spring, Md., she was the daughter of the late James J. and Lillian Mills Reed.

She was a 1965 graduate of Clear Spring High School.

She was employed with Save-A-Lot Store in Hancock.

She was of the Protestant faith. Surviving are her husband, Ernest A. Truax, whom she married October 2, 1970, in Hancock; a daughter, Kathy L. Keefer, Hancock; three sisters: Marie Leasure, Boonsboro, Md.; Catherine Keys, Falling Waters, W.Va.; Linda Moats, Williamsport, Md.; four brothers: Jesse Reed, Clear Spring, Md.; Ronald Reed, Hancock; Marvin Reed, Williamsport, Md.; Michael Reed, Hagerstown; a half-sister, Eva Burton, Hancock; and a grandson.

She was preceded in death by two sisters: Shirley Mills and Alma Grove.

Funeral services were held Friday, December 19, at 11:00 a.m., at Orchard Ridge First Church of

God, Hancock. Rev. Jeff Hawbaker officiated. Burial was made in Parkhead Cemetery, Big Pool, Md.

Grove Funeral Home, Hancock, was in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hancock Volunteer Fire Co., Fulton Street, Hancock, MD 21750.

Jack L. Varner

McConnellsburg, 73

Jack L. Varner, 73, formerly of Shade Gap, died at 4:45 p.m., Tuesday, December 16, 2008, at the Long-Term Care Unit of the Fulton County Medical Center, McConnellsburg.

Born August 23, 1934, in Blacklog Valley, Huntingdon County, he was the son of the late Raymond and Hazel (Hampton) Varner. He was married to Thelma L. Jury in 1955. She preceded him in death on June 27, 1991.

He is survived by a son, Donald L. Varner, Shade Gap; and a daughter, Mary L. Locke, Shade Gap; one granddaughter, Dawn Leab; two great-grandchildren: Brittany Leab and Brady Leab.

He was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Heather Locke, and a brother, Edward Varner.

He was of the Protestant faith. A 32-year employee of DeRose Industries, Chambersburg, he worked as a saw operator.

He was an avid bluegrass music fan and also enjoyed antique tractors.

Funeral services were held at 11:00 a.m., Friday, December 19, 2008, at the Martin R. Brown Funeral Home, Orbisonia. Rev. Marlin "Butch" Neil officiated.

Interment was made in Fair Ridge Cemetery, Shade Gap.

Christmas Idea Had Lasting Effect On Neb. Family

By Eric Freeman

COLUMBUS TELEGRAM
COLUMBUS, Neb. (AP) — Holiday traditions help to define the Christmas season and connect the generations through the years.

Holiday tradition for the Bill and Shirley Wegener family of rural Platte Center includes find-

ing unique ways to let their family members and friends know they are loved and appreciated.

Two years ago, the Wegeners and their four children wrote 20 separate notes describing their favorite memories of Earl and Helen Wegener of Humphrey. Earl and Helen are Bill Wegener's parents.

The family hid their notes throughout the elder Wegeners' home and waited.

In the two years since, Earl and Helen have found the notes at unexpected times hidden away in unexpected places.

"At first we looked all over to find the notes," Helen said. "We found them in the cupboards and under rugs. Some were tucked away in the back of the refrigerator." After several months, Helen said, she and her husband thought they had found all the notes, but every now and then they would find another one tucked away in some obscure place.

Bill Wegener said his parents were excited when they found the last note in that cupboard. He said they called the rest of the family members to let them know.

"It was really neat how much that meant to them and how easy it is to make a positive difference in someone's life," Bill Wegener said.

Bill has another method he uses to remind folks how easy it is to make a positive difference.

Several years ago he began what he calls his "Make a Difference Ministry."

Wegener had a stamp made that asked the question: "What can you do to make a difference in someone's life today?"

He stamps index cards with the thought-provoking question and leaves them at random public places for strangers to find.

Wegener has left the cards at restaurant tables, the shelves of local retail stores and occasionally under the windshield wipers of parked cars.

"I think if we can get people to think about what they can do to make a positive difference in other people's lives it could become a good thing that could grow and spread," he said. "If the cards make someone think and do a good deed or something positive for someone else, that could spread out a long way."

'Tis The Season For Easy, Elegant Holiday Entertaining

Sleigh bells ring, are you listening? Ready or not, the holiday season is upon us once again. It's said to be the most wonderful time of the year, though the busy holiday host often feels far from wonderful when pondering menus, motifs and more for the impending festivities.

The good news is that entertaining experts are urging this year's holiday hosts to keep gatherings simple and stress-free to bring joy to guests and hosts alike. The culinary minds behind Salads of the Sea, makers of the nation's best-selling refrigerated seafood dip, suggest an easy, yet elegant, menu of finger foods and other basics.

Try the following tips and recipes from Salads of the Sea, and you'll soon find yourself walking in a winter wonderland, rather than wallowing in the kitchen yet again.

Implement an open-door policy. Instead of scheduling a sit-down dinner, encourage friends and family to drop by your holiday party at their convenience. An "open house" atmosphere means you won't be overwhelmed by receiving all guests at one time.

No spoons, no forks, no problem. A menu of finger foods and appetizers, served buffet-style, is sure to please any crowd. Not only will there be something for everyone, but the less formal setup also promotes more relaxed conversation. Additionally, you may consider going potluck to help ease your hosting load.

Less mess equals less stress. Minimize your time in the kitchen by sticking to menu items that can be enjoyed right out of the package. For example, an array of crackers and crudites, served with your favorite packaged dips, spreads and

cheeses, can be set out at the beginning of a holiday party and simply replenished as needed. Seafood cheese balls from Salads of the Sea are another "set it and forget it" holiday favorite.

Pack your secret weapons. One or two winning recipes are all it takes to keep your guests raving for weeks to come – and you don't have to be a world-class chef to pull it off. Instead, take help from store-bought items by incorporating them with fresh ingredients to create a completely original masterpiece. This Cajun krab-stuffed chicken and rice ensemble is sure to be a hit at the fanciest of festivities or the coziest of family gatherings:

Quick-and-Easy Cajun Krab-Stuffed Chicken

(Serves 6)

Ingredients:

- 1 package (6 oz) quick-cooking stuffing
- 1 package (8 oz) Salads of the Sea Cajun Krab Dip
- 1 pre-cooked rotisserie chicken
- Diced habanera peppers to taste

Directions:

Prepare stuffing mix as directed on the package. Combine stuffing with Cajun Krab Dip and diced peppers until well mixed. Fill chicken cavity with stuffing mixture and serve warm alongside Cajun Krab Rice.

Savory Cajun Krab Rice

Ingredients:

- 1 package (8.8 oz) 90-second microwave rice
- 1 package (8 oz) Salads of the Sea Cajun Krab Dip
- 1 cup diced red, yellow and orange bell peppers

Directions:

Prepare rice as directed on the package. While rice is hot, combine with Cajun Krab Dip and diced bell peppers. Serve warm alongside Cajun Krab-stuffed Chicken.

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