



Steve Pekar

February 27, 2011

Steve J. Pekar, 86, passed away quietly Wednesday, February 23, 2011, at his home in Bobtown, Pa., where he had resided for the past 80 years. Born in Thompson #1, Pa., on July 4, 1924, he was a son of the late John and Susan Gelda Pekar. A U.S. Navy veteran of WWII, he was a coal miner, retired after 40 years from J & L Steel's Shannopin Mine in Bobtown. He was a member of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Orthodox Church in Masontown, where he sang in the church choir; life member of the Bobtown-Dunkard Township Vol. Fire Dept.; and member of the U.M.W.A. Local 6159 and the V.F.W. Post 747 in Point Marion. Surviving is his wife of 62 years. Helen Tarasuk Pekar, who he married on Jan. 15, 1949; two children and their spouses, Catherine and William Chabanik of Smithfield, Pa., and Nick and Denise Pekar of Glade Springs, Virginia; five grandchildren, Elaine Koller and husband Brian, Victoria Denny and husband Sam, Nicole, Steven and Sharon Pekar; a step-granddaughter, Madison Roland; three great-grandchildren, Adam, Samuel and Jasmine; two sisters-in-law, Sophia Wallace of Masontown, Pa. and Olga Tarasuk of Dilliner, Pa.; and many nieces and nephews and their families. He was the last of his immediate family, having been predeceased by brothers, Andrew, John and Alex Pekar; sisters, Julia Machanick, Mary Sereg, Pearl Kurilko, and Clara Bailey; and four siblings in infancy. Friends will be received in the Richard R. Herod Funeral Home, Point Marion, on Saturday from 2 – 5 and 7 – 9 p.m., and Sunday from noon until 2:00 p.m., the hour of service, with Fr. Dimitri Dimitrov officiating. Interment follows in Evergreen Memorial

Park, Point Marion, with military rites accorded at the graveside by the Point Marion Veterans Posts. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be offered to the Bobtown Volunteer Fire Department, P.O. Box 386, Bobtown, PA 15315. Fire Department services will be held Saturday at 7:15 p.m., Panachida service begins at 7:30 p.m., in the funeral home.

Tribute Wall

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“ *My deepest sympathy to the entire family. Prayers & love being sent to all.*

Janice Fiedor Horwalt - February 25, 2011 at 06:35 PM

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“ *Nick
Sorry to hear about your Dad.
All our Prayers and Sympathy for You and all Your Family.*

From Ted Reynolds and Family

Ted Reynolds - February 25, 2011 at 08:36 AM

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“ *Nick, Please accept my sincere condolences on the passing of your father. I enjoyed talking to him and listening to his stories about old Bobtown and will always remember him rescuing me when I wrecked my bicycle in front of your house when I was a kid. He picked me up and carried me all the way to our house.*

Cindy Wiltrout - February 25, 2011 at 08:22 AM

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“ *Nick & family,
We are so sorry to hear of the passing of your father. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. May you find comfort in the memories you have of a life well lived.*

With sincere sympathy,

Sam & Mitzi Hill

Joy, Abingdon VA

Sam & Mitzi Hill - February 25, 2011 at 08:05 AM