



Obituary

Born: Thursday, September 4, 1924

Died: Sunday, October 28, 2018

Marian L. (Coffey) Heckel, formerly of Guardlock Drive, Lock Haven and recently a resident at Wolf Run Assisted Living Community, Hughesville, passed peacefully October 28, 2018, "on her last day", as she was fond of saying.

The third child and only daughter of the late Lewis H. and Marie F. (Harber) Coffey, she was born in Lock Haven, September 4, 1924. Marian married her high school sweetheart Thomas E. ("Buzz") Heckel, Jr. in 1945. Together they enjoyed traveling, tailgating and attending PSU football games and serving on their high school reunion committee until his death in 1992. She especially enjoyed visiting her Hilton Head, South Carolina property every year. Among her favorite travels was her cruise to Alaska, which enabled her to visit 49 of the 50 states with the exception of Hawaii.

She was a member of the 50+ years class of the Covenant United Methodist Church, Lock Haven where she served in a variety of capacities over the years. Her formative education was at the Normal School of Lock Haven State College (now University) where she was advanced from the 7th grade to 8th at the start of that year. She studied at the Normal School through grade 9 when the campus students were then sent to LHHS. Following graduation from Lock Haven High School in 1941, she continued her education graduating first in her class from the Goodwin Business College where she excelled in shorthand and dictaphone transcription. She accepted a secretarial position in the planning department of the Piper Aircraft and was soon promoted to executive secretary to the plant manager. In later years she would serve as the secretary/treasurer of her husband's business TAMMCO, Inc. Marian ended her career at Lock Haven University where she served as assistant accountant to the Student Cooperative Council.

Pre-deceased by her husband, parents, brothers, and daughter-in-law Carole (Stewart) Heckel. Marian is survived by a daughter and son-in-law Anne and Jon Moring of York; son, Mark Heckel of Hughesville; four grandsons; one granddaughter; and nine great-grandchildren including a set of triplets.

Marian will be laid to rest alongside her husband in Rest Haven Memorial Park during a private family service. Officiating will be Rev. Tom Brokaw. Those planning an expression of sympathy may wish to consider the Carole Heckel Memorial Valedictorian Scholarship, c/o East Lycoming Education Foundation, 349 Cemetery St., Hughesville, PA 17737.

Service Summary

Private Committal

Rest Haven Memorial Park

47 Rest Haven Dr.

Lock Haven, PA. 17745

Funeral services are under the direction of the Yost-Gedon Funeral Home & Cremation Services, LLC, 121 W. Main St., Lock Haven.

Online thoughts and memories can be made at www.yost-gedonfuneralhome.com