



Verling L. Darkes

May 1, 2016 - May 1, 2016

Verling L. Darkes, 84, of Lebanon died Sunday, May 1, 2016 in Wellspan Good Samaritan Hospital, Lebanon. He was the husband of Nancy A. Brightbill Darkes with whom he would have celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary this June. Born in North Lebanon Twp. on May 17, 1931, he was the son of the late Levi and Kathryn Fertig Darkes. He began his employment working as a manager for Endicott-Johnson, then with Big A, and finally retired as a salesman for Bamberger's all of Lebanon. Verling was a 1950 graduate of Fredericksburg High School, a member and former President of the South Lebanon Lions Club, life member of the Mt. Zion Fire Co. and the Lebanon County Fireman's Association. He enjoyed playing cards, golfing, traveling, and going out to dinner with friends. Surviving in addition to his wife are three daughter's Patti wife of George Gress of Lebanon, Joy Darkes of Lebanon, Kathy wife of Chris Copenhaver of Sinking Springs, and a grandson Adam Gress husband of Lindsay Reichard. He was preceded in death by two brothers Donald and Levi Darkes. Memorial services will be held on Wednesday at 2:00 PM at the Kreamer Funeral Home and Crematory, 618 E. Main Street, Annville. Interment will be held at the convenience of the family. A visitation will be held from 1-2 PM prior to the service at the funeral home. Contributions may be made to the Mt. Zion Volunteer Fire Company, R.D. #6, Box 510, Lebanon, PA 17042 or the National Parkinson's Foundation, 200 SE 1st Street, Suite 800, Miami, FL 33131.