



Merle Richard Heeter

December 18, 1936 - December 15, 2012

Merle Richard Heeter, 75, of Butler, passed away Saturday, December 15, 2012 at Good Samaritan Hospice Unit.

He was born December 18, 1936 in Armstrong County, PA, the son of the late Henry Clay Heeter and Gladys "Kate" (Crissman) Heeter Wetzel.

Merle was a member of St. Mark's Evangelical Lutheran Church and the American Legion #117. He had delivered Meals on Wheels for years. He was a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corp.

Surviving are his wife of 52 years, June P. (Bachman) Heeter; daughter, Debbie (Art) Vogel of Butler; son, Tim (Chris) Heeter of East Brady; 4 grandchildren, Brittany Vogel of Butler and Shawn, Emily & Eric Heeter of East Brady; a sister, Heneriatta (John) Peters of Rimersburg; and a step-sister, Shirley Hollobaugh of Sharon.

He was preceded in death by his parents, step-father, Lloyd Wetzel, a granddaughter, Ashley Marie Heter, a brother, Darrell Heeter and step-brother, Lloyd Wetzel.

Friends will be received at Young Funeral Home, Ltd., 127 W. Jefferson St., Butler, on Tuesday, December 18, 2012 from 2-4 & 6-8PM.

Services will be held at St. Mark's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 201 W. Jefferson St., Butler on Wednesday, December 19th at 1PM with his pastor, Rev. Alden Towberman officiating. Military honors by VFW#249 and American Legion#778 will be held at the church following the service.

Interment in the Gruenwald Cemetery, Butler, PA.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Meals on Wheels, 218 E. Jefferson St., Butler, PA 16001 or St. Mark's Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Tribute Wall



“ June & family,

I am so sorry to hear of Merle's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you all in this difficult time. Howard & Leann Bauer

December 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ June & Family,

We are deeply saddened to hear of Merle's passing. He was a great coworker, a fantastic neighbor and an all-around wonderful person to know.

We will miss chatting with him in the back yard while we took breaks from our yardwork or walks around the neighborhood.

May God's blessings & comfort be with you all during this difficult time.

December 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ June and family, I just heard about Merle's passing. I was deeply saddened by the news. Merle taught me a lot about remodeling and I used this knowledge to complete two other houses. You were all great neighbors of which I will never forget. God bless you all.

December 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Tim & family,*

My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this very difficulty time. No words can make the hurt lessen, but I believe your Dad is at Peace. May you find comfort in knowing that he is watching over all of you. God Bless !##imported-begin##Tammy Kaufman##imported-end##

December 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *June & Family,*

I was quite shocked to learn that Merle had passed away. I worked with him at the Rex Hide. He was without question one of the nicest people I've ever known. I am very sorry for your loss.##imported-begin##Jeff Lewis - East Brady##imported-end##

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