## **OBITUARY**

## Arthur E. Blake

Arthur E. Blake, 83, a resident of Hackettstown for most of his life, died Oct. 29, 2007 at his home.

Born May 26, 1924 in Jersey City, he was a son of the late Arthur C. and Lillian Staats Blake.

Mr. Blake worked most of his adult life with Jersey Central Power & Light in Hackettstown and Hopatcong until his retirement. The former New Jersey state trooper served two years with the Marine Corps in the Pacific during World War II.

A 1943 graduate of Hackettstown High School, Mr. Blake was co-captain of the 1942 Hackettstown football team and an all-state baseball player. He also was an avid hunter.

Surviving are his wife, Helen Hummer Blake, whom he married March 7, 1948; three sons, Arthur of Betterton, Md., Doug of Basking Ridge and Andrew of Hackettstown; four daughters, Elyse Allen of Glenside, Pa., Pamela Wolfe of Milford, Diane Schank of Mansfield Township and Allison Struble of Great Meadows; two sisters, Gloria Kehler of Hackettstown and Betty Beltzner of Denver, Colo.; nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

A funeral Mass was held Nov. 2 at St. Mary's Church of the Assumption in Hackettstown. Interment was private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be sent to the Hackettstown Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 201, Hackettstown, NJ 07840.

Arrangements were by the Cochran Funeral Home in Hackettstown. On-line condolences may be sent to www.cochranfuneral.com.

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