## **OBITUARY**

Francis P. Bluker, a lifelong resident of the Hackettstown area, passed away peacefully on May 12, 2016 at Hackettstown Medical Center.

Francis was born on May 9, 1920, in Hackettstown to the late Peter and Elizabeth Bluker. He graduated from Hackettstown High School in 1938. He served proudly in the <u>US Navy</u> aboard a Destroyer during WW II. He was employed by Picatinny Arsenal for 30 years, retiring in 1976. Francis was a devoted, life-long parishioner of The Church of the Assumption in Hackettstown, where he served as an usher. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus Council 2483. He was a member of Saint Peter & Paul Senior Club in Hackettstown. Francis enjoyed hunting and fishing and card games. He was a loving husband and was devoted to his family and friends.

He is survived by sisters in-law Mary Arboline Ford and Sister Immaculata Arboline, SCC, many nieces and nephews, and a dear friend Viola Hennick. Francis was preceded in death by his loving wife Genevieve, who passed away in 1999, a sister, Elizabeth Bluker, brothers Edward and Harold Bluker, and nephew William Parr.

Friends and family may pay their respects on Tuesday May 17, 2016, from 5-8 PM at the Scala Memorial Home, 124 High St., Hackettstown, NJ 07840. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Wednesday, May 18, 2016, at 10:30 AM at The Church of the Assumption, 302 High St., Hackettstown, NJ 07840. Interment will follow at Union Cemetery in Hackettstown. Donations may be made in Francis' name to the Hackettstown Fire Department. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the Scala Memorial Home. Please visitwww.scalamemorialhome.com.

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