

Former newspaperman dies after long illness

LOUIS P.
(SHAGGY) DRABIK

HACKETTSTOWN — Funeral services were held Wednesday for Louis P. (Shaggy) Drabik, 66, of 507 Jefferson St., who died Saturday in Hackettstown Community Hospital after a long illness.

Born Sept. 1, 1911 in Newark, he was the son of the late Paul and Anna Calman Drabik. He lived in Hackettstown since 1931.

An employee of the Hackettstown Gazette for 27 years, he started as an apprentice printer in 1945 and later worked as a linotype operator. He also did sports writing on the side for many years, retiring in 1972 due to ill health.

He was a member of the Joyce Kilmer Council, Knights of Columbus, Hackettstown.

He is survived by his wife, the former Mildred Sanford;

two sons, Thomas L. of Somerville and Robert L. of Hackettstown; two brothers, Charles of Newark and Edward of Newburg, N.Y. and a granddaughter.

Services were from the Cochran Funeral Home, Hackettstown, to a Mass of Christian Burial at St. Mary's Church of the Assumption, Hackettstown.

Interment was in Hackettstown Union Cemetery.

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Obituary,
Louis F. Drabik.
Date of Death, January 7, 1978.