OBITUARY

Herbert S. Estell, 96, died January 31, 2012 in Forest Manor Health Care Center in Hope.

He lived in Tranquility since 1957, coming from Verona, and was born in Orange on Jan. 16, 1916.

In 1955 he established the Bruce C & C. Co, Inc, a producer of dyes. For over 50 years he worked with his company as CEO, lab technician, sales rep., mixer, packer and sometimes delivery man. He retired in December 2008 at the age of 92. Previously he was employed at the former American Dyewood Co. in Belleville.

He attended the Orange public schools and was a graduate of Rutgers University. He was an avid collector and gardener. His favorite hobby was rocks and minerals. His knowledge and collection were extensive.

He was the husband of Valerie nee-Gorski Estell and son of the late Joseph and Louise nee-Tramer Estell. In addition to his parents he is predeceased by his wife Eunice nee-Turton; two brothers Lindon 'Bill' and Stanley and one sister Hazel.

He is survived by his wife Valerie of Tranquility and his three sons Bruce Estell and his companion Cheryl of Cresco, Pa., Todd Estell and his wife Martha of Burkittsville, Md., Grant Estell and his wife Jani of Brooks, Maine; his sister Shirley Kanora of Fort Myers, Fla.; 15 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Visitation was to be Friday, Feb. 3. Services were Saturday, Feb. 4 at Cochran Funeral Home, 905 High St. in Hackettstown. Interment was to be at Tranquility Cemetery in Tranquility.

In lieu of flowers: donations may be made to Allamuchy-Green First Aid Squad, 25 Maple Lane, Andover, NJ 07821 or Green Township Fire Department, Station 95, Fire and Rescue, PO Box 68-243 Kennedy Road, Greendell, NJ 07839.

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