

OBITUARY

Walter "Pappy" Yocum, 91 passed away at his residence in Providence Place, Drums, Pa on January 20, 2015. Walter was born in Hazleton, PA and after graduation from Hazleton High School served as a radio operator with the 5th and 13th U.S. Army Air Forces from 1943 - 1946 in the Southwest Pacific, New Guinea, and Luzon, Phillipines. While working for Sordoni Construction he met the love of his life Joyce Ann Ackerman in Hackettstown,NJ. They married August 26, 1950 and were constant companions until her passing January 16, 2013. Pappy retired from JCP&L and after living in Wharton, NJ for many years returned to Hazleton to enjoy retirement. Pappy and Joyce were active members of the Diamond United Methodist Church and enjoyed volunteering at the former St. Joseph's Medical Center, Meals on Wheels, and Hazleton General Hospital.

Walter is survived by his daughter Lynn (Karl) Gerlach of Stanhope, NJ, sons Walter (Marilyn) of Louisville, KY, Gregory (Helen) of Wharton, NJ and Richard (Susan) of Oak Ridge, NJ, 10 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

Arrangements are being handled by Bonin Funeral home, Hazleton, PA and are private. Memorial donations may be made to [Lutheran Home Care & Hospice](#), Inc, 1710 E. Broad St, Hazleton, Pa 18202.

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NAME: Yocum, Walter "Pappy"

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