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Clarence K. "Keith" Nicolls, 89, of Springboro passed away Saturday February 4, 2017 at Rolling Fields Eldercare Community. He was born in Spring Township on August 17, 1927 to the late Clare B. and Ethel Mae (Lining) Nicolls. He married Esther Boyce September 17, 1948. She survives.

Keith had two careers throughout his lifetime. He was a School Teacher at Conneaut Valley High School for over 30 years and he owned C. Keith Nicolls Insurance Agency for over 40 years. He was a United States Navy Veteran. He played professional Baseball and he coached high school baseball and basketball. He was a Basketball Hall of Famer at Edinboro State College and was a life member of Phi Sigma Pi. In 1945 he played on the first basketball team from Conneautville High School to go to the State Finals. He also trained dogs, primarily Labrador Retrievers. He ran them all over the United States and Canada. He was a member of the Western Crawford County Masonic Lodge #254, Spring Grange, Rundell's Grange and the Erie Consistory and a life member of the Valley Church United Methodist.

In addition to his wife of over 68 years he is survived by a daughter, Sue Rothenbach of Abingdon, MD, five grandchildren, Gretchen Rothenbach, Brittany (Robert) Qualkenbush, Evan (Heather) Nicolls, Joshua Nicolls, Shannon (Mark) Marshall, eight great-grandchildren, Carter, Madison, and Jacob Qualkenbush, Kyle and Abigail Nicolls, JJ and Seth Nicolls, and Alessandra Marshall, several nieces and nephews and good friends Karen and Doug.

He is preceded in death by his parents, a son Jeffery and four brothers, Earl R., Gerald W., Ward B., and Thomas L. Nicolls.

Friends and family are invited to call on Tuesday February 7, 2017 from 2:00-4:00 PM and 6:00-8:00 PM with a funeral on Wednesday February 8, 2017 at 11:00 AM. Pastor Bob Klingler of Valley Church United Methodist will officiate. All services will be held at MCCAULEY FUNERAL HOME 1405 Main St. Conneautville, PA 16406.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to The Valley Church of Conneautville 1118 Main St. Conneautville, PA 16406.

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