June and Harry Musselman, 85 and 87, die days apart



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STATEN ISLAND, N.Y. -- Former Port Richmond residents June A. Musselman, 85, and her husband of 65 years, Harry E. Musselman, 89, died Nov. 24 and Nov. 27, respectively, in their Avenel, N.J., home.

The former June Campbell was born in Sunbury, Pa. and lived in Port Richmond for 36 years before moving to Avenel 15 years ago. She was employed by Hugh Peck's Deli, Port Richmond, for many years, where she was known for her famous potato salad.

She was also a Sunday school teacher at Our Savior of Lutheran Church, West Brighton.

Mr. Musselman was born in Altoona, Pa., and lived in Mariners Harbor and Port Richmond for 70 years before moving to Avenel.

He was a professional baseball player for eight years with the New York Giants organization, playing in their farm system. He was later employed by Proctor & Gamble, Port Ivory, for 26 years, retiring in 1981 as a supervisor.

In younger years, Mr. Musselman was a two-time Port Richmond High School All Star shortstop for the baseball team and is on the permanent Honor Roll there.

He served with the U.S. Marine Corps, attaining the rank of corporal.

Also active with Our Savior of Lutheran Church, he was a Sunday school superintendent and sexton, along with being a volunteer for Project Hospitality.

The couple celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary last December. "Everyone was welcomed into their house," said their son, John. "The house was always open to anybody."

In addition to John, the two are survived by two sons, James and Mark; a daughter, Laura Meehan; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Mrs. Musselman is also survived by her sisters, Shirley Maurer, Deanna Hare and Jean Hare.

A memorial service will be held Saturday at noon in the First Presbyterian Church, Avenel. Arrangements, including cremation, were handled by the Leonard Leef Funeral Home, Linden, N.J.

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