Michael Tarnok



Michael P. Tarnok, 93, of Nazareth passed away March 26, 2016 in Gracedale. He was the husband of the late Pauline (Heidenwolf) Tarnok who passed away in 2003. Mike was born October 26, 1922 in Nazareth; Son of the late Michael and Rose (Kositz) Tarnok. Michael was an electrician for the former Penn Dixie Cement Co., Nazareth. In his retirement he was the head custodian at Notre Dame High School, Easton. He proudly served in the U.S. Navy in WWII. Mike was a member of the Holy Family Catholic Church, Nazareth; He was the oldest member of the Holy Family Club. He belonged to the Knights of Columbus, Sacred Heart Council, and was a 4th degree Knight of the Pius XII Council. Michael was a co-founder of

the Holy Family Athletic Assn., and along with Father Geusic, planned the construction of the Holy Family Gymnasium. He coached Little League Baseball for Holy Family; and Baseball, Basketball and Football in the CYO League. Michael was also a professional Umpire for Minor League Baseball in Georgia-Florida; also an Umpire for the Blue Mountain Baseball League. Mike played Softball in the Holy Family Club League and was a member of the Holy Family Club Bowling League for many years. Survivors: Mike is survived by daughters, Lisa Evanko and husband LT. Col (RET) James, Memphis, TN and Veronica Wetzel and husband, Edward, Gallatin, TN; Sons, Michael Tarnok and wife, Donna, Nazareth and Thomas Tarnok and wife, Wanda, San Diego, CA; Sister, Marie "Mitz" Moore, East Brunswick, NJ; 5 Grandsons: Eric Wetzel, Peter Wetzel, Jimmy Evanko and wife Jenny, Jeffrey and Alex Evanko; 2 Step Grandsons: Stephen Sanchez and wife, Erin, Brandon Sanchez and wife Jill. Pre-deceased by brothers: John, Fred and William Tarnok and sisters: Helen Barth, Rose Haberle and Sister Seraphia MSC. Services: Services will be Wednesday, March 30, 2016 at 9:30 AM in the Joseph F. Reichel Funeral Home, Inc., 220 Washington Park, Nazareth. Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 AM in Holy Family Church, Nazareth. Burial with Military Honors in Holy Family Cemetery. Calling Hours will be Tuesday 6:00-8:00 PM and Wednesday 8:30-9:30 AM in the funeral home. Contributions: In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the American Heart Association in c/o the funeral home. Online condolences may be offered at www.jfreichelfuneralhome.com.

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