


Henry Phelps and Catherine

John E. Glodfelter Sr.

October 9, 1998

John E. Glodfelter Sr., 69, of 4450 Rich Drive, Las Vegas, Nev., died October 9 in University Medical Center, Las Vegas.

He was born in Berwick, son of the late Clarence and Elva Remley Glodfelter, and was a graduate of Berwick High School; Rutgers University; U.S. Air Force Institute; and U.S. 1 School, Germany.

Mr. Glodfelter was a World War II and Korean War veteran, having served in the Army, Navy,  Marines, and Air Force. He was employed by Sports Display Inc., Santa Margarite, Calif., working in Las Vegas, the last 26 years.

His daughter, Jaye Elva, died Dec. 2, 1988.

Surviving are his wife of 50 years, the former Helen Tarapchak; sons, John Jr., James, and Jeffrey, and daughters, Jacqueline Evers and Janice, all of Las Vegas; five grandchildren.

Services were held Oct. 15 in St. Joseph Husband of Mary Church, Las Vegas. Interment was in Southern Nevada Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Las Vegas.

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Henry, Philip 1783-1864, Peter 1821-1889

William O. Gladfelter William O. Gladfelter October 16, 1925 - September 18, 2007 William O. "Bill" Gladfelter, 81, of State College, died Sept. 18, 2007, at Mount Nittany Medical Center after an illness. Bill was born, Oct. 16, 1925, in Shingletown, a son of the late Lester E. and Helen K. Evey Gladfelter. He lived in Shingletown most of his life with his beloved late wife, to whom he was married for 55 years, Ethel Marie (Graham) Gladfelter, who passed away in June 27, 2000. In 1943, at age 17, Bill enlisted in the U.S. Army with his brothers. During the Second World War, Bill served with the Army amphibious 532d Engineer Boat and Shore Regiment, 2d Engineer Special Brigade, in the Pacific Theatre, which saw combat in the New Guinea and Philippines campaigns. The end of the war found him in Korea preparing for the planned invasion of Japan. Bill started his work life after attending school in Shingletown and Boalsburg, with his father and brothers in the family well-drilling business. Following the war, Bill worked at defense contractor HRB Singer for 20 years, and he also served as the first police officer of Harris Township. After leaving HRB, Bill was Director of the State College Area School District Bus Garage. After leaving the school district, he worked as a courier for Omega Bank until his retirement. Bill was a gregarious and well-liked member of the community who was active in the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was a member of the Zion Lutheran Church, Boalsburg. Bill enjoyed sports, playing the piano, singing and the company of good friends and family. The frequent social gatherings he held at his Whispering Pines hunting camp will be fondly remember by all who attended them. Bill is survived by his son, Dennis W. Gladfelter, daughter Rebecca J. McKinstry and her husband, Sam, of Shingletown; his two grandsons, Joshua J. Gessler and his wife, Lisa, and Jesse A. Gessler and his wife, Melissa, and three great-grandchildren, Jared, Hannah and Alexandra, who now live in Virginia. Bill is also survived by his numerous friends, neighbors and large extended family. In addition to his parents and his wife, Bill was preceded in death by his five brothers, Pete and Jack Gladfelter, Buck, Cliff and Harvey Klinger. Friends and family will be received from 6 to 9 p.m., Friday, Sept. 21, 2007, at the Koch Funeral Home, 2401 S. Atherton St., State College. Funeral services will be held at 9:30 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 22, at the funeral home with the Rev. Brent Book officiating. Burial will be in Centre County Memorial Park following the funeral. Contributions in his memory may be made to the Zion Lutheran Church, 305 N. Church St., Boalsburg, PA 16827.

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