



Ambrose E. "Rosie" Brennan Jr.

February 28, 1932 - December 7, 2025

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Born on February 28, 1932, Rosie was the youngest child of Gertrude (Dolan) and Ambrose E. Brennan, Sr. Rosie spent his early years on the family farm on Mercur Hill and enjoyed playing basketball and baseball for his school teams. These early passions he passed on to his three children. In 1954-55, Rosie served as an ammunition specialist with the US Army in Korea. Upon returning home from Korea, Rosie spent the next 36 years working at GTE Sylvania.

Rosie was never "wired" to sit still. He liked the challenge of designing and rigging up tools to assist him with projects in and around his home. He enjoyed going to auctions to find that "one missing item" to aid in his many projects down at his workshop. He volunteered his talents to do maintenance in three cemeteries (Homet cemetery, St. Peter and Paul and State Road cemeteries), flipping houses well into his 80's and early 90's, moving dirt with his tractor and taking down dead trees. Although born and raised in PA, he was an avid Boston Red Sox fan and Notre Dame Fighting Irish fan.

His passing on December 7, 2025, was due to a brief illness. As of November 30, he still wondered how all his projects would get finished.

He was predeceased by his wife of 66 years, Theresa Howard Brennan; his sisters and their spouses: Eleanor and Harold Warner, Anna and Chuck Smith and his nephew, John Smith. His brother in laws and their spouses: James and Shirley Jones Howard, John and Doris Burleigh Howard, Charles and

Vivienne Bergey Howard and Russell Lockwood, and Phyllis Beyers. He is survived by his children: Dolores (Al) Cairl, Ambrose E. (Susanne) Brennan, III, Theresa (Jeff) Gerlach. His grandchildren: Amber (Scott) Rhinehart, Eric (Erin) Brennan, Brennan (Victoria) Gerlach and Madeline (Nelson) Mejia. His great grandchildren: Leia, Aila, Cara and Lochlan Rhinehart; Eliza and Rosalie (little Rosie) Brennan and Elijah Mejia, sister-in-law, Lucy Lockwood, and brother-in-law, William Howard (Leah Adams), as well as numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the cemetery fund for St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church 106 Third St. Towanda, PA 18848

There will be no calling hours. Mass will be held at St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church on Saturday, February 7, 2026 at 11:00 AM with Father Edward Michelini officiating. Interment will be in the St. Peter and Paul Cemetery in North Towanda at the convenience of the family.

Cemetery Details

Saints Peter and Paul Cemetery

James Street
North Towanda Township, PA 18848

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

FEB 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

Saints Peter and Paul Roman Catholic Church
Third Street
Towanda, PA 18848