



Roland M. Houseknecht

June 18, 1916 - May 24, 2012

Roland M. Houseknecht, 95, well known Monroeton resident and former businessman passed away Thursday, May 24, 2012 at the Highlands Care Center in LaPorte, PA. Roland was born in Powell, PA on June 18, 1916 the son of the late Brady and Clara Coates Houseknecht. He was a graduate of Towanda High School and later proudly served during World War II as a navigator on B-17s and B-25s in the U.S. Army Air Force Pacific, European, and North African/Middle Eastern Theatres having attained the rank of Captain. On January 29, 1943 he married the former Doris Haines of Monroeton in Coral Gables, Florida. Following completion of his military service, Roland became employed by American LaFrance in Elmira, NY. In 1948, Roland and Doris moved from Elmira to Monroeton, PA when Roland and his brother-in-law, John Haines purchased Bird's Hardware Store in Monroeton. The business was sold in the mid 1980's, and following their retirement, Roland and Doris traveled extensively throughout the United States and Canada in their RV. Roland was an avid fly fisherman and was joined by his son Paul on many fishing trips. Roland enjoyed woodworking and especially photography. A number of his photographs were published in the New York Botanical Gardens "Wild Flowers of the United States."

He is survived by his son, Paul Houseknecht of Vero Beach, FL; granddaughters, Christina Davis and husband Jeffrey of Seven Valleys, PA and Jessica Healy and husband Dan of Baltimore, MD.; great granddaughter,

Amy Davis; his brother, Donald Houseknecht of Southport, NY, sister-in-law Louise Houseknecht of Athens, PA.; nephews, John Haines, DDS and wife Lorraine of Monroeton, Lynn Haines and wife of Venice, FL, and niece Karen Blackwell and husband of Troy, PA. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife of 62 years, Doris, on April 3, 2005; brothers Harold, Harry, Gerald and sister Eleanor.

The funeral service will be held Tuesday, May 29, 2012 at 10 a.m. at the Maryott-Bowen Funeral Home 217 York Ave. Towanda, PA with Rev. Sandy Brant, pastor of the Monroeton United Methodist Church officiating. Interment will follow in the Monroeton Cemetery, Monroeton, PA. There are no calling hours. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be directed to the Monroe Hose Company, P.O. Box 48, Monroeton, PA 18832 in Roland M. Houseknecht's memory. Memories and condolences may be expressed and shared by visiting our website at www.bowenfuneralhomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Monroeton Cemetery

100 Berwick Drive
Monroeton, PA 18832

Previous Events

Service

MAY **29**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Maryott-Bowen Funeral Home
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Tribute Wall



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