



## Wilma Arlene Saylor Browning

November 30, 1921 - June 15, 2015

Wilma Arlene Saylor Browning, 93, of North Towanda died Monday June 15, 2015 at the Personal Care Home in Towanda. She shared a room with her beloved sister, Janice Saylor Witmer.

"Arlene" was born November 30, 1921 at her parents' home in Toytown (North Towanda), the third child of Blaine and Maude Saylor. She graduated from Towanda High School in 1940. During her school days, she often worked along side her mother at local restaurants. It was at her side that she learned how to make her legendary pies.

Arlene was employed at Grants Department Store and Northern Penn Electric. On March 27, 1943, Arlene married Frank Browning of Towanda. They borrowed her brother's-in-law car to go on a honeymoon. She and Frank rented a house right next to Arlene's parents in East Towanda. Their first son, Doug, was born in 1945 and Arlene became a full time homemaker, which was her true calling. Their second son, Dave, was born in 1954. DuPont laid off Frank and the family decided to move to Florida so that Frank could start a new career in barbering.

The family lived in Florida for three years and they were very happy to be Yankees again when DuPont called Frank back to work. The family bought the former State Police barracks building in N. Towanda and it was a perfect building to accommodate both the family and Frank's Barber Shop.

Arlene's heart was broken when her first born, Doug, died in 1971. Doug's widow, Janelle Carpenter Browning, moved to her hometown area near

Chicago with her two sons. Even with the distance between grandparents and grandchildren, the family worked very hard to keep a strong connection between the two families. The two grandsons spent many summers with their grandparents in North Towanda, growing up with an interesting balance of country life and metropolitan life.

Arlene loved spending time at their cabin on Barclay Mountain, O-So-Ko-Z. She loved to snowmobile using the cabin as a base camp and hosting hotdog roasts there, too, during the other three seasons.

Arlene was a member of the North Towanda United Methodist Church teaching Sunday school for over 25 years and a member and treasurer of their U. M. W. She was also the Sunday School Treasurer for many years. She spent many years on the election board. She and Frank were members of the French Choppers R.V. Club.

Arlene is survived by her son, Dave and his wife Terry Wolf Browning of Rome; daughter-in-law and son-in-law Janelle and Dave Wildey of Naperville, IL; grandchildren, Mike and Jamie Browning of West Chicago; Kurt and Tina Browning of Plainfield, IL; and Michele Browning of Sayre; great-grandchildren, Courtney, Douglas, Danielle and David Browning, Brittney and Adam Robinson of California; great-great grandchildren Ajna Zimmerman and Aujah Robinson of California. The family is grateful for the love and support given to Arlene by the Personal Care Home. They made special efforts to keep Arlene there and comfortable.

A graveside service will be held at Bradford County Memorial Park, Luther Mills, PA. Friday June 19, 2015 at 1:00 with Rev. Jean Montgomery officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that contributions be directed to The Salvation Army 314 S. Elmer Ave. Sayre, PA. 18840 or to the North Towanda United Methodist Church in care of Jake Guffey, 3377 Sugar Creek Road, Towanda, PA. 18848 in Arlene's memory.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Maryott-Bowen Funeral Home, 217 York Ave. Towanda, PA. 18848. Memories and condolences may be expressed by visiting [www.bowenfuneralhomes.com](http://www.bowenfuneralhomes.com).



# Cemetery Details

## Bradford County Memorial Park

20452 Route 6  
Towanda, PA 18848

# Previous Events

## Service

JUN 19. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Wilma Arlene Saylor Browning*

October 22, 2023 at 08:10 PM



“ *Wilma Arlene Saylor Browning*

October 08, 2023 at 10:34 PM



“ *Wilma Arlene Saylor Browning*

October 06, 2023 at 09:57 AM



“ *Wilma Arlene Saylor Browning*

October 06, 2023 at 03:29 AM



“ *Wilma Arlene Saylor Browning*

October 05, 2023 at 02:02 PM



“ *David and Terry my thoughts are with you and your family. Very thankful I had the time with both of your parents they where great people.*

**Randi Sheahan-Fletcher** - June 23, 2015 at 07:55 PM

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“ *Dave and Terri,  
Our thoughts are with you at Dave's mother's passing. I remember  
that she came to the Personal Care Home when Mother was down  
there once. Thinking of you.*

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**Penny Pennoyer** - June 20, 2015 at 07:24 AM

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“ *Dave and Terry: My thoughts and prayers are with you and your  
family at this time.*

*Beatrice Elliott*

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**Beatrice Elliott** - June 18, 2015 at 10:18 AM