Franklin Allen Buff Jr.

After struggling with multiple disabilities for 21 years, Franklin Allen Buff Jr. of Conway, S.C., passed into the arms of his Lord on Tuesday, June 4, 2013, at the Veterans Victory House in Walterboro, S.C.

He was born in Rice Township on April 29, 1932, and was a son of the late Franklin Allen and Catherine C. Thomas Buff Sr.

After graduation from Fairview High School, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served on the USS Shenandoah. He was a member of the American Legion Post 781, Mountain Top, and Post 111, Conway, S.C.

Preceding him in death were his parents; sisters, Madeline Buff and Jean Smith; and daughter-in-law, Lisa Marie Koscelnick Buff.

Surviving are his wife, Leatha Ada Borman Buff, Conway, S.C.; son, Franklin Allen III, Conway, S.C.; daughter, Joan Marie Gaffney, Lake Jackson, Texas; grandchildren, Jessica Marie and Marcus Allen Buff, Conway, S.C.; Daniel Martin Gaffney Jr. and wife, Chloe, Coatesville; and Jenna Anne Gaffney, Lake Jackson, Texas; great-grandson, Benjamin Blaine Gaffney, Coatesville; sisters; Lois Cragle, Geraldine Pawlowski, Margaret Buff and Nina Pawlowski; brother, Chester Buff; nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

A memorial service will be held Sept. 7 at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Mountain Top, with the Rev. Michele Kaufman officiating.

Memorials may be sent to St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Route 309, South Mountain Boulevard, Mountain Top, PA 18707.

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