

Joseph A. Varaly

Retired Teacher

Joseph A. Varaly, 83, Mountain Top, died Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2019, at Residential Hospice, Geisinger South Wilkes-Barre.

He was born in Hanover Twp., the son of the late Andrew and Elizabeth Zelinka Varaly.

He was a member of the graduating class of 1953 of Hanover High School. He later attained his Bachelor of Science degree in education from King's College, Wilkes Barre. He was employed by Penns Grove Carneys Point Middle

School, New Jersey, as a history/social studies/ health teacher, until his retirement in 1992 with over 31 years of service. He was a member of Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Dorrance Twp. Joseph was also a member of the American Legion, Post 781, Mountain Top; the Catholic War Veterans, Post 274, Ashley; and the New Jersey Educational Association.

Surviving are his wife of 54 years, the former Bernadine Scupski, at home; cousins, Ronald and Barbara Yurkavage, Hanover Twp.; Andrew Torbik, Exton; Cormac and June Kennedy, Zion Grove; and Barbara Johnson, Rio, Wis.

Private funeral services were held at the convenience of the family.

The family would like to express their deep gratitude to the entire nursing staffs of Residential Hospice/ Geisinger South Wilkes-Barre, and Geisinger Wyoming Valley Hospital, Wilkes-Barre, for their excellent and compassionate care given to Joseph in his time of need.

Arrangements were in the care of George A. Strish Inc. Funeral Home, Ashley.