Leonard A. Levanda

Leonard A. Levanda, 65, of Mountain Top went home with the Lord on Friday, June 25, 2010, in the Hospice Unit of Geisinger South Wilkes-Barre.

Len fought a courageous battle with cancer for the last 11 months.

Born Nov. 28, 1944, in Philadelphia, he was the son of Philip and Sophie Levanda.

Len was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Francis McDade, Philip Levanda Jr. and Michael Levanda.

He is survived by Ann Elaine (Shotsy) Roman, Mountain Top; Bill Levanda and his wife, Judy, Virginia Beach, Va.; and Lois Ebert and her husband, Lewis, Dorrance. Len was also an uncle to four nieces and six nephews.

Len was a graduate of the 1963 Class of Crestwood High School and was a veteran of the Vietnam War.

He worked for Foster Wheeler Corp., Mountain Top, until its closing, and went on to work for Washington Group in quality control, until his retirement in 2009.

He spent many hours working in his garden or sitting on his pool deck and watching the rabbits eat it.

He loved visiting his camper in New York and fishing with his brother, always toting his camera along.

Leonard loved his community. He served as Rice Township supervisor and on the board of directors as president of Mountain Post 781, Mountain Top, where he was a member for 44 years.

Len was a member of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church of Dorrance and was a Eucharistic minister. He was active in his church and helped the ladies make pierogies when it came to bazaar time. He also sold tickets with his good friend Charlie at the Rice Township Bazaar for many years. His heart was in his home, and Rice Township, where he loved living.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday from Desiderio Funeral Home Inc., 436 S. Mountain Blvd., Mountain Top, with a Mass of Christian Burial at 11 a.m. at St. Mary's Our Lady Help of Christians, Dorrance. The Rev. Mark Honhart will officiate. Interment will be in Calvary Cemetery, Drums. Friends may pay their respects from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society or St. Mary's Our Lady Help of Christians, Dorrance.

Lenny was loved by many, and will be missed by all.

Condolences may be expressed at www.desideriofh.com.

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