
Oscar Norton

Oscar Norton, 88, a lifetime resident of Mountain Top, died Friday, May 1, 2015 in the Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

He was born in Wilkes-Barre as the eldest of nine children to the late Oscar and Catherine (Kahley) Norton.

Oscar was educated in Fairview Township schools and was a decorated [World War II Army](#) veteran receiving the Victory Ribbon, Asiatic-Pacific Theater Ribbon and the Army Occupation Medal for his duty in Japan. He then attended Murray Art School. He worked full time until the age of 86 at the Acme Markets in Forty Fort as an advertising agent/artist for 39 years, Storecast Corporation for 10 years and as an attendant in the Interstate 81 Nuangola rest area for 20 years.

Oscar was active in the community as a member of the Kiwanis and the Wyoming Valley Art League where he was recently honored as a 50-year member. He was one of the longest active members of the American Legion Post 781, belonging for 68 years. Oscar loved country music, playing his steel guitar and singing, attending concerts especially Hickory Rose and Carl Alber, attending every local festival, bazaar and church dinner, painting pictures of people and places he visited, photographing family and friends and then doing his own developing in the darkroom at his home. He loved the outdoors, picking mushrooms, hiking, hunting, fishing and tending to his garden full of flowers. Oscar constructed his own home in 1950 and was a member of the Christ United Methodist Church in Mountain Top.

Preceding him in death, in addition to his parents, were a sister Arbutus Ladenhauf and a brother Charles Norton.

Surviving are his daughters, Karen Fey and husband Bob, Mountain Top; Donna Norton, Pennsburg; Linda Kindler and husband, Bernard, Mountain Top; and Shannon Acernese and husband, Louis, Avoca; his former wife Dorothy (Smith) Norton, Ashley; grandsons Tim and Wyatt Kindler; siblings, Katherine Swartwood, Hometown; Shirley Storm, Wilkes-Barre; Nancy Morgan, Mountain Top; Joanie Rowles, Wilkes-Barre; Gerald Norton, Drums; Aneda Wells, Hamilton, Ohio; and many nieces and nephews. He will be sadly missed.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at the Christ United Methodist Church in Mountain Top at 10 a.m. Interment will follow in the Albert Cemetery. Friends may call Tuesday from 5 to 8 p.m. at the McCune Funeral Home, 80 S. Mountain Blvd., Mountain Top. A military service will be held at 6 p.m. on Tuesday.

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