

Francis J. "Gus" Heine

Services for Francis J. "Gus" Heine, 75, of 245 N. Nice St., Frackville, who died Monday night at his home, will be held at 9:30 a.m. Friday from Thomas M. Sullivan Funeral Home, Frackville. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. in St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Frackville. Interment will be in the parish cemetery, Englewood, Frackville.

Born in Frackville, he was a son of the late Augustine and Bernadette Scholtes Heine.

He was a 1942 graduate of Shenandoah Catholic High School.

He was a Marine Corps veteran of World War II, having served in the European Theater of Operations.

He had been a die oven operator at the former Alcoa plant, Cressona, for 28 years, retiring in 1977.

He was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church; a 52-year member of Knights of Columbus, Father James A. Hogan Council 2580, where he was financial secretary for 48 years; a life member of Frackville Elks Lodge 1533; a member of Goodwill Hose Company, all of Frackville; a member of Six County Firemans Association; American Legion Post 945; Marine Corps League, Coal Cracker Detachment; Alcoa 25-year Club; and was financial secretary for the 1976 Frackville Centennial Committee.

He was a 43-year member of the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus, Schuylkill Assembly, and a 48-year member of Men of Malvern.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Colleen; three sisters, Mary Louise Petroskie, Bernadette Birster, and Augusta Pulaski. He was the last member of his immediate family.

Surviving are his wife, the former Helen Mallick, to whom he was married 47 years; a son, James F., New Boston; four daughters, Donna Karpovich, Locust Valley, Lucinda Turner, Palmdale, Calif., Deborah Pepaj, Wrightwood, Calif., Karen Bowe, Hershey; 15 grandchildren; a great-grandchild; cousins; nieces and nephews.

Helen Heine



Helen Heine, 89, of Frackville, passed away peacefully Wednesday morning at Lehigh Valley Hospital- Schuylkill E. Norwegian Street, with her family by her side.

Born in Corktown, she was a daughter of the late Joseph and Veronica Pinchot Mallick.

She was a 1947 graduate of the former Frackville High School.

She was a devout member and volunteer for numerous church activities of the former St. Joseph Catholic Church, now St. Joseph The Worker Parish, Frackville.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Francis "Gus" Heine, in 1998; her daughter, Colleen, in 1958; two sisters, Mary Prete and Ann Yotko; four brothers, Metro, Adam, Steven and Michael Mallick; her son-in-law, William T. Turner, on Aug. 20, 2017.

Helen is survived by her four daughters, Donna, wife of Bernard Karpovich, Frackville, Lucinda Turner, Frackville, Deborah, wife of Vasel Pepaj, Squaw Valley, Calif., and Karen Bowe, Harrisburg; her son, James F. and his wife, Lynn Ann Heine, Newport; her grandchildren, Maria Karpovich, Joseph, Jason and Kerry Turner, Babette, Nicole, Jarrett and Ayana Pepaj, Jason (Casey) Bowe, Ryan and Patrick Bowe, Loni Shaeffer, Jessica (James) Caprio,

Brittany (Paul) Brutto, and Samantha (Justin) Shapansky; several step- grandchildren; her great-grandchildren, Madison and Vincent Bowe, Rebecca, Riley and Annabelle Caprio, Zoey Quintinsky, Allison Brutto, Tanner and Kyler Shapansky; several step-great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Tuesday in St. Ann Catholic Church, Frackville, with the Rev. Robert T. Finlan, pastor, as the celebrant.

Interment will be in St. Joseph Cemetery, Englewood, Frackville. Friends may call from 9 a.m. until the time of Mass on Tuesday at the church. To sign the guest book, leave personal condolences and for further information, visit www.thomasmsullivanfuneralhome.com. Thomas M. Sullivan Funeral Home, Frackville, is in charge of arrangements.