William A. Shaner

William A. Shaner, 134 W. Frack St., Frackville, died Tuesday morning at Shenandoah Manor Rehabilitation Center, Shenandoah.

Born in Frackville, he was a son of the late Charles and Mary "Horan" Shaner.

He was a graduate of the former Immaculate Heart Academy, now Cardinal Brennan Jr./Sr. High School, Fountain Springs, and graduated with his BA degree in Education from Penn State University in 1963.

He was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus, Fr. James A. Hogan Council 2580, both of Frackville.

Mr. Shaner taught U.S. Government and Economics at Cardinal Brennan Jr./Sr. High School, Fountain Springs, for 33 years until his retirement in 1996. During the summer months he was a tour guide at Pioneer Tunnel, Ashland.

Surviving are his wife, the former Patricia M. Kowalick, to whom he had been married for 37 years; his stepmother, Nancy Shaner, Wyomissing; three sons, William P. and his wife, Kelli, New Ringgold, Michael C., Frackville, and Timothy W. and his wife, Marie, Lititz; a daughter, Kelly M. Shaner, Pottsville; two grandchildren, Caleb and Riley Shaner; two sisters, Kathleen and her husband, Chuck Sherman, Gordon, and Mary and her husband, Leo McCaffrey, Philadelphia; several nieces and nephews.

Mass of Christian Burial and interment will be held at the convenience of the family. Relatives and friends are invited to attend a viewing from 6 until 9 p.m. tonight at the Thomas M. Sullivan Funeral Home, Frackville. The family prefers contributions to the Cardinal Brennan Jr./Sr. High School Scholarship Fund, in memory of William A. Shaner.