



George L. Lenze

March 6, 1935 - December 12, 2011

George L. Lenze, 76, of Springville, In and formerly of Branchville, N.J. died on Monday, December 12, 2011 at I.U. Health-Bloomington Hospital in Bloomington, IN. He was born on March 6, 1935 in St. Mary's, PA the son of Albert and Anna (Hababerger) Lenze. He was a self-employed business owner and a veteran of the U.S. Army. He was of the Christian faith.

George will long be remembered for his hard work helping others in securing a home, at one time owned an inn in Vermont that was re-established as a working dairy farm, owned a motel and for more than 30 years served as a volunteer fireman with the Frankfort Township Volunteer Fire Dept. in Branchville, N.J. He also supported the Springville Volunteer Fire Dept. Striving to be the best, he firmly lived the adage, "do unto others as you would wish them to do unto you".

Survivors include his wife, Virginia (Davis) Lenze of Springville,

his children; Ann (Gary) McCardle of Montaque, N.J., Georgette (Donnie) Howey of Sunbright, TN, Catherine Revis of Harriman, TN, George (Carrie) Lenze of Asheville, N.C., Jean Mark (Sandy) Lenze of Branchville, N.J., Tania (Shane) Lortz of Hope, IN and Stephen (Christine) Lenze of Lutz, FL, three step-children; Langdon Wood of Stuart, FL, Mark (Phyllis) Wood of Effort, PA and Kimberly (James) Sturgeon of Bedford, IN, nineteen grandchildren and five great grandchildren, four sisters; Catherine (Harry) Charleson of Brockaway, PA, Anne Di Quinzio of Zephyr Hills, FL., Walberta "Wally" Koval of Pennsylvania and Helen (Ron)Ericson of Florida and four brothers; Fred (Delores) Lenze of Ridgeway, PA, Vinnie (Josie) Lenze of St. Mary's, PA, Ted (Karen) Lenze of Anderson, IN and Paul Lenze of Apple Valley, CA.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Lucie (Keller) Lenze, his parents and four brothers; John Lenze, Edward Lenze, Michael Lenze and Albert Lenze.

The family is choosing to conduct private services at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to the Frankfort Township Volunteer Fire Dept. or to the Springville Volunteer Fire Dept. in care of Allen Funeral Home. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.allenfuneralhome.org

Tribute Wall

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“ My sisters and I were saddened and shocked to read of George's passing. Our Dad liked George and appreciated his friendship, and both Mom and Dad thought Jodie and George were good neighbors. Our deepest sympathies to Jodie and the rest of the family. We know George will be greatly missed. Our best wishes to you all.

Rick, Sandy Arthur, and Peggy Martin, the children of Robert (Bob) and Katherine Inman.

Richard (Rick) Inman - October 26, 2015 at 04:21 PM

DA

“ I just found out about George's passing. I am so sorry for your loss. He was a great man who I truly enjoyed talking with when I stopped by the house. A great man who will be missed. My best to you and call if you need anything.

Dawn Johnson - October 26, 2015 at 04:21 PM

FD

“ The Frankford Township Fire Department sendS George's family our deepest sympathy. We have lost a Life Member, a Chief, a mentor, a brother firefighter, and a friend. Our Department would not be what it is today, had it not been for the tremendous efforts of so strong a man. Strong in body, mind and spirit. He positively affected each of us. His memory lives on with us. George joined the Frankford Fire Dept in 1968 and dedicated countless hours serving the community he loved, asking nothing in return. He was a dedicated member, involved in all of our activities and projects. Not the least of which was procuring land from the township committee and constructing a second firehouse to better serve the south side of town. During his active tenure George wore many hats. From 1986 through 1988 it was the hat of the Department Chief. Upon his moving away, he was voted in as a Life Member. . . . Our thoughts and prayers are with his family during this difficult time.

Frankford Twp Fire Dept - October 26, 2015 at 04:21 PM

TR

“ It has been many days passed since I have crossed paths with most of you but I can still recall the many days I spent in and around your household. Fond memories of a simple, crazy home much like my own where I came and went with very litte notice. I miss those days when all was whole. My sincere condolences on your loss. I remember your father in more than one fashion but my fondest memory was that he always treated me as a young adult rather than a child under foot. I hope that in this time of mourning the memories of your dad will bring smiles to your faces and help to ease the pain in your hearts. Yours Truly, Troy C. Orr

Troy Orr - October 26, 2015 at 04:21 PM

JS

“ We will surely miss George. He was more than a neighbor, he was a good friend. He helped us old women out and took care of Scarlet when we had to be away from home. We will miss him greatly, not just for the things he did, but for the goodness in his heart that he had for everyone. Jodie, our prayers are with you. Just give us a call when we can do anything for you.

Jane, Joyce and Scarlet - October 26, 2015 at 04:21 PM

JC

“ Mark, Sandy and family...Please accept our sincere condolences upon the loss of father.. Your neighbors.. Jim and Maryanne Carey

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BI

“ Sending our heart-felt condolences at this most difficult time, but remembering some really good times as well. It was an honor to meet George's family at the reunion. That day two old guys gave the young bucks something to shoot for when pulling a cross-cut saw. Lots of thoughts passing through an old brain, like riding in the back of an Old Stewart truck, the day the 5 brothers ran away from home. He certainly faced some difficult times as a young man, and judging from his choice of avocations, he continued to place himself in difficult situations. May you and your family take comfort in knowing that Box 5-5-5-5 has struck out and that there are many old firefighters waiting to welcome him into the station in the sky.

Bill Hoehn - October 26, 2015 at 04:21 PM

TS

“ We are so sorry to hear about the loss of George. We wish to send Virginia and family our deepest sympathy at this time. Virginia and family you are in are thoughts and prayers. God Bless.

Tony & Stacy Kline - October 26, 2015 at 04:21 PM

PO

“ George was a great man and a dear friend close to our hearts. We are all deeply sorry for your loss.

Plummer Law Office - October 26, 2015 at 04:21 PM

TS

“ Our deepest sympathy to Virginia and family at this time of loss. Our thoughts are prayers are with you in this difficult time. God Bless.

Tony & Stacy Kline - October 26, 2015 at 04:21 PM

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“ Sending your family our deepest sympathy. We will keep you in our prayers and thoughts. I will always remember his larger than life hugs.

Deacon Ray and Rose Anna (Lenze) Ehrensberger - October 26, 2015 at 04:21 PM

ST

“ Wishing you our heartfelt thoughts and prayers to your family during this difficult time.

Stacie Hewitt - October 26, 2015 at 04:21 PM

TA

“ *May your memories give you strength and the love of those around you help you through the days ahead. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Tammy Taylor - October 26, 2015 at 04:21 PM