

Obituaries

FRANCIS WOODLING Sept. 9, 1914, Woodling retired two years ago from the Federal Aviation Administration, having been employed at Wilkes-Barre-Scranton Airport as a flight service specialist. He began his flying career

in 1935, delivering the first air mail out of Milton. Woodling was a flight instructor during World War II and served with the Air Transport Command in India. He was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Shavertown.

Surviving are his wife, the former Vivian Rumage; children Barry E. Casper, Wyo.; Maruy A. Davenport, Lock Haven; Thomas A. Martinsburg; Timm E. Ruckersville, Va.; Miss Susan E. Woodling, at home; nine grandchildren; brother, William N., Lewisburg.

Funeral services were Wednesday with Rev. Charles J. Glandorf, pastor of Christ Lutheran Church, Lewisburg, officiating. Interment was in Harmony Cemetery, Milton.

MRS. REBA BRODY Mrs. Reba Brody, Lower Demunds Road, Dallas, died Tuesday, Aug. 29, at her home.

Born in Matin-Arnouk, Syria, she came to the United States in 1912 and resided in Wilkes-Barre. She and her husband, the late Samuel Brody, operated a grocery store at 150 Blackman St., Wilkes-Barre, until 1953. They moved to Dallas and operated a grocery store until 1970. Mrs. Brody was a member of St. Mary's Syrian Orthodox Church, Wilkes-Barre.

She is survived by daughters, Elizabeth and Amelia Brody, at home; Mrs. John (Miriam) Schuetz, Rochester, N.Y.; sons, George S. Brody, Charleston, West Virginia;

William S. Brody, Cleveland, Ohio; brother, Moses Brody, Matin-Arnouk, Syria; and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Friday, Sept. 1, with services at noon at St. Mary's Syrian Orthodox Church with the Very Rev. Herbert G. Nahas officiating. Interment was in the parish cemetery, Hanover Township.

WILLIAM MOONEY

William Mooney, 66, of 22 Pulaski St., Kingston, died Monday night in Nesbitt Memorial Hospital.

Born in Wilkes-Barre, he was a graduate of Coughlin High School and formerly owned and operated Heights Variety Store. He later was employed at the former Isaac Long's Store, Public Square, retiring in 1972.

Surviving are his wife, the former Regina Kirk; children, James, Thomas, Anita and Sean, at home; sister, Mrs. Agnes Hatzel, Dorrance; brother, David, Wilkes-Barre.

Funeral will be Thursday at 9:30 from McLaughlin Funeral Home, 416 Wyoming Ave., Kingston, with service at 10 in St. Mary's Cemetery Chapel, Hanover Township. Interment will follow. Friends may call Wednesday 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 with a scripture service at 8 p.m.

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POST COOKBOOK

Ernie Bigner prepares southern recipes

People sometimes wonder what it is like to be a minister's wife. Ernie Bigner, who's husband is the new pastor of the Dallas Baptist Church, says it is most rewarding. The Bigners have lived in Louisiana, Alabama, Mississippi, and now Pennsylvania, and according to Ernie, they have made many lasting friends through their church work.

Ernie is impressed with the local area. She thinks that it has the most beautiful countryside of anywhere they have lived. Ernie says that everyone has been very friendly and helpful, and that her family has been warmly received.

The Pennsylvania weather, particularly this winter, will be quite a change for the whole family. Charles was assigned to a church in Ponchatula, La., for five years prior to his assignment at Dallas Baptist Church. That section of Louisiana has a hot, moist climate. Local winters with sometimes sub-zero weather should be a unique experience for the Bigners.

Ernie and Charles are originally from Madisonville, a little town north of New Orleans, La. Charles is a graduate of Clark Jr. College in Newton, Miss., Louisiana College, in Pineville, La., and New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. Ernie, a licensed practical nurse, received her training from Hammond Area Vocational School. She is employed by Carpenter's Nursing Home, working four nights per week.

The Bigners are parents of four children. Cheryl, their oldest, is married and resides in Ponchatula. Chuck, 18, lives with Cheryl and her husband does construction work, and hopes to begin college in January. Steven is 14 and a freshman at Dallas Junior High School. Scott, 8, attends Dallas Borough School.

The Bigners recently purchased a home on North Pioneer Avenue in Shavertown. A wonderful surprise awaited them when they arrived to find that their new parishoners had planted beautiful flower gardens around their home.

In her leisure time, Ernie likes to bake and decorate cakes. She does this only for family since it takes a great deal of time. She also likes to do handcrafts, and to refinish furniture. The Bigner's son-in-law Clint made them a dining room table out of Louisiana cypress. The table which seats about eight people is a real piece of workmanship. Ernie bought unfinished chairs with cane-like seats, and she and Cheryl finished them. An old table given to the Bigners by a former parishoner, and refinished by Ernie also adds to this attractive room.

Charles is very busy, but occasionally he finds time to do a little fishing. Steve and Scott are members of the Bobcat football team, and of the Royal Ambassadors, a mission program which meets every Wednesday at the Dallas Baptist Church.

In the southern communities where the



Ernie Bigner

Bigners lived, catering for weddings and funerals is not common like it is here. Following funerals, friends and church members usually serve a dinner at the family home. For weddings, the friends and family of the bride usually make the food. Since most are evening weddings, light foods such as punch, cake, and finger foods are served.

Ernie made Shrimp Mousse for Cheryl and Clint's wedding reception. Although this is a rather elaborate dish, even the younger boys enjoy it. Hush puppies are southern fried, served with fried fish. With apples coming into season, Ernie's recipe for Fresh Apple Cake will come in handy. Sybil's Pie is a chocolate cream cheese pie. Pecans in the crust give it an unusual taste. For an easy fruit salad, you can't beat Five Cup Salad. Fruits are blended together then refrigerated overnight.

FIVE CUP SALAD

- 1 c. sour cream
- 1 c. crushed pineapple or tidbits, drained
- 1 c. flaked coconut
- 1 c. miniature marshmallows
- 1 c. mandarin oranges, halved and drained
- 1 t. lemon juice-optional

SHRIMP MOUSSE

- 1 can tomato soup
- 1-8 oz. pkg. cream cheese
- 2 env. unflavored gelatin
- 1/2 c. cool water
- 1/2 c. finely chopped celery
- 1/2 c. finely chopped bell pepper
- 1 med. onion (grated)
- 1 c. mayonnaise
- 2 cans shrimp, mashed (7 oz.)

Heat soup in saucepan. Cut cream cheese into pieces, add to soup and stir until melted. Dissolve gelatin in cool water and add to soup mixture. Add mayonnaise, celery and pepper, onion and shrimp to mixture. Grease mold

with mayonnaise. Pour mixture into mold and chill. To serve unmold onto lettuce bed and serve with your favorite crackers. Escort crackers are good with this. A good party dish.

HUSH PUPPIES

- 3 c. self rising corn meal
- 1/2 c. finely chopped onion
- 2 c. buttermilk
- 1 egg, well beaten

In a bowl, mix corn meal, onion, buttermilk egg until well blended. Drop by heaping teaspoons into hot oil. Fry 3 to 4 minutes, turning hush puppies for even browning. Drain on paper towels. Serve hot with fried fish. Serves 6. (For extra flavor, mix 1 cup grated cheddar cheese into batter. Fry as above.)

FRESH APPLE CAKE

- 2 c. sugar
- 3 c. flour (all purpose)
- 3 raw apples
- 3 eggs
- 1 t. baking powder
- 1 t. salt
- 1 c. cooking oil
- 1 c. pecans

Combine oil, sugar, eggs in large bowl and mix thoroughly. Add sifted dry ingredients. Mixture will be thick. Fold in apples and pecans. Pour mixture into greased, floured tube pan. Bake at 350 degrees for approximately 55 minutes or until done.

SYBIL'S PIE

- Crust
- 1/4 c. all purpose flour
- 2 T. sugar
- 1 stick margarine
- 1/2 c. chopped pecans

Mix above ingredients and press into a 9x13 inch pan. Bake for 20 minutes in a 375 degree oven. Cool, then add filling. Filling: 2 pkg. instant chocolate pudding (4 serving size) 1 c. confectioners sugar 1-8 oz. pkg. cream cheese 1 lg. container Cool Whip) 3 c. milk Beat one third of the Cool Whip with other ingredients for 2 minutes. Put into pie crust and top with remaining Cool Whip. Chill and keep refrigerated.

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Seminary growing

Quality instruction, expansion of the academic and extra-curricular program, along with parents and students concern about a nationwide declining trend in college board scores, are some of the reasons for the ever-increasing enrollment at Wyoming Seminary, the Valley's private co-educational college preparatory school.

Administrators at the school are anticipating the largest enrollment of boarding and day students in recent years as school opens for its 135th academic year on Sept. 7. Jack Eidam, admissions dean for the Kingston campus school noted that the increase in Seminary's population is actually part of a national trend of private school enrollments. He reported that more middle income parents seem to be turning

to private schools for quality educational experience for their children. The decline in the national average college board scores has been noticeable for several years. Yet, Wyoming Seminary, has demonstrated among its student body a stability of performance from year to year according to Robert D. Klarsch, academic dean.

Studies based on national surveys indicate that parents are taking a hard look at the possible elimination of many extra-curricular activities as well as the academic cutbacks at some public schools in an effort to hold-down the escalating costs and subsequent tax hikes. In response, many families are looking to the independent schools to find well rounded classroom and leisure time programs.

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