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## **OBITUARIES**

George A. Gantos

George A. Gantos, longtime member of the State Democratic Committee, died Wednesday at 10 p.m. at Lancaster General Hospital after an illness of two vears.

Known to many countians as "Mr. Democrat" Gantos was 63 and lived at Mount Joy R2.

Gantos had served for a number of years as finance chairman for the Lancaster County Democratic Committee, and he also served as Democratic Committeeman of Mount Joy Township.

Before his retirement in 1975, Gantos was employed by the State Department of Revenue, income tax division. Previously, he had been employed as administrative officer of the State Department of Commerce. In 1955, Gantos was named senior reports examiner for the State Department of Highways.

When Gantos was hospitalized in 1975, his friends presented him a "get well" cake shaped like a donkey to sweeten the disappointment of missing his first election in 40 years.

Mrs. Irene M. Peifer

Mrs. Irene M. Peifer, 59, of York, formerly of Mount Joy, died Saturday afternoon at the York Memorial Hospital after an illness of three months.

She was the wife of Roy G. Peifer. Born in Manheim Township, she was the daughter of Lilian Hershey Baymond, of Centerville, and the late Elmer W. Baymond.

In her early years she

was employed by the Gerberich Payne shoe company of Mount Joy. She had resided in York for the past eight years. She was a member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church.

Besides her husband and mother, she is survived by three brothers, William, Richard, and Robert, and two sisters, Helen and Virginia Baymond, all of Centerville.

He was a member of Donegal Presbyterian Church, where he had served on the board of trustees.

A veteran of World War II, he served in the U.S. Army in North Africa and Italy where he participated

in the invasion of Anzio.

He was a member of American Legion Post 185, Mount Joy, and Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks Lodge 1074, Columbia.

Born in Mt. Pleasant, he

was a son of Mary Saloom Gantos, New Orleans, La.,

and the late Abram Gantos. Besides his widow, Ruth E. Houser Gantos, and mother, Gantos is survived by four sisters, Mrs. Bertha Johnson, Wiscasset, Maine; Genevieve, wife of

Galen Stewart, South Korea; Olga wife of Hugh Culp, New Orleans, La., and Celestine, wife of Emil Loehle, Allentown, and two brothers, Charles Gantos, Orange, Tex., and Alex Gantos, Kansas City, Mo.

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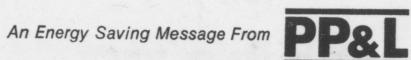
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