

HEINLEIN GENEALOGY

Herbert Henry Heinlein (1916 to 2006)

Thelma Rose "Mick" Smith Heinlein (wife, 1918 to 2006)

Herbert H. Heinlein, 90, of Hookstown, formerly of Moon Township, died at his residence on Thursday, November 16, 2006, surrounded by his loving family.

He was born on October 1, 1916, in Imperial, Pa. Herb was preceded in death by his parents, Michael John and Wilhemina "Minnie" (Ehle) Heinlein; his wife, Thelma "Mick" Heinlein, and twin sister, Mildred Heinlein.

In 1933, Herb, his brother Harold, and father Michael John Heinlein began to build Bon Air Golf Course (now called Moon Golf Club) using only a donkey and a shovel. In the 1940's Herb ran Old Fort Country Club in Indiana, Pa. In 1964 Herb and his brother, Harold, began building Ponderosa Golf Course under the direction of designer Eddie Ault. For eight years in the 1970's, Herb was superintendent of the Indian Springs Country Club in Silver Spring, Md. Returning to Hookstown in 1979, Herb assumed sole ownership of Ponderosa Golf Course and remained there until his death. Herb was one of the founders and lifetime member of the Pennsylvania Golf Course Owners Association; a member of the National Golf Course Owners Association, and past president of the National Left Handers Association. Herb was a member of the Clinton United Presbyterian Church, where he served as an elder, choir member, and bowled and golfed with the church leagues. In his life Herb had five holes in one.

Herb was a past Exalted Ruler for the Elks Club in Indiana, Pa., and was a life member of Kiwanis International. He joined Kiwanis on March 11, 1957, and was a fifty-year member. He was president of the Kiwanis Club of Coraopolis, 1963-1964 and 1981-1982. He was Lt. Governor of the Pennsylvania District, Division 3, 1967-1968, and Division 4, 1989-1990. He received the George F. Hixon Fellowship Award in 1997. He had a perfect attendance for 50 years at the Kiwanis Club of Coraopolis. He also served as a board member for many years. He loved to lead the Kiwanis Club in song and his favorite song was "Sing, Sing, Sing". Herb also served our country during World War II in the U.S. Navy from 1944-1946 and received the following citations: the Point System Medal, World War II Victory Medal and the American Campaign Theater Ribbon.

Loving father of Janet M. Fischer of Burgettstown, Pa., and Michael H. Heinlein and his wife, Lee Ann, of Hookstown, he was also a proud grandfather to Jennifer Walker (Mark) of Moon Township, Ray Fischer (Kelly), Michael John Heinlein, Andrew Heinlein (Missy Nestor), Matthew Heinlein (Morgan Plevel) and Benjamin Heinlein, all of Hookstown. He was the cherished great-grandfather to Madison Fischer and Mason Heinlein of Hookstown, and beloved brother to Harold Heinlein of Moon Township.

Visitation will be held today and Sunday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. in the COPELAND MOON TOWNSHIP FUNERAL HOME, 981 Brodhead Road, www.copelandfuneralhomes.com, where services will be held Monday at 10:30 a.m., with Pastor Peter Grosso officiating.

Burial with full military honors will be in Clinton United Presbyterian Church Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in his name to the Clinton United Presbyterian Church, 25 Wilson Road, Clinton, Pa. 15026, or the Kiwanis Club of Coraopolis, 283 Ewing Mill Road, Moon Township, Pa. 15108.

"Heinlein Herbert H.," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, 19 November 2006, p. 22, col. 2-3; digital image, "Pittsburgh Post-Gazette (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania)," *Newspapers.com* (<http://www.newspapers.com>), accessed December 2019.

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