

William Baxewanis

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William Baxewanis, 88, died Nov. 21, 2008, in his Kenhorst residence surrounded by his loving family. He was the husband of Marina (Papadopoulos) Baxewanis, whom he married on Sept. 5, 1954.

Born in Reading on January 1, 1920, he was a son of the late John and Angelica (Stringas) Baxewanis. He was a Navy Seabee veteran of WW II and served in the 95th Naval Construction Battalion, fulfilling his assignments at Roi- Namor and Iwo Jima. He was first employed at Berkshire Knitting Mill, then 20 years at Brown's Trailers which became Clark equipment and now Reading Body and lastly as an assembler for the former Teledyne, Mohnton, retiring in 1982.

William was a member of Sts. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church, Reading, where he was a church choir member for over 35 years and served on the parish council. He was a charter member of the Hellenic Senior Breakfast Group.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by 2 daughter, Cathy M. Pavlatos, wife of August C. Pavlatos, Jr., of Lancaster, and Joanne A. Baxewanis of Exeter Twp. and 1 Son, John W. Baxewanis husband of Lisa (Gapinski) Baxewanis of Sinking Spring. Also 2 granddaughters, Christina and Olivia and Grandson Matthew. He was preceded in death by three brothers - George, James and Anthony.

Funeral services Tuesday 10 AM at Sts. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church, 1001 E. Wyomissing Blvd., Reading, PA 19611. Father Thomas L. Pappalas officiating. Interment in Charles Evans Cemetery. Friends may call Tuesday 9-10 AM at the church. In lieu of flowers, please make contributions to his church at the above address. The Klee Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Shillington, is in charge of arrangements.