



Conrad Gast III

Conrad Gast III, 75, of Lancaster, passed away on Friday evening at the Lancaster General Hospital following a short illness. Born in Lancaster and a lifelong area resident, he was the son of the late Conrad Gast, Jr. and the late Verna Phelan Gast. Conrad was the husband of the late Catherine E. "Betty" Welsh Gast, who passed away in 2003.

A 1952 graduate of J.P. McCaskey High School, he had worked for 20 years for the Intell Printing Co. in the bindery department, until he retired in 1997. Previously he worked for Leeds Amoco and Latschar's Garage. Conrad served with the United States Army (Private) during the Korean Conflict, from 1953 until 1955, and then served with the Army Reserves for six more years. He was a life member of American Legion Post # 185 in Mt. Joy and Amvets Post # 19; life member of the Lancaster County Fire Police Assoc., the Lancaster County Fireman's Assoc. and also the Active Club and Alert Club. He was also active with the South Eastern Fire Assoc. of PA, and was a former member of Bausman Fire Company and the Wilderness Emergency Strike Team.

He will be lovingly remembered by his children; Bonnie C. wife of Barry A. Leed, Barbie A. Leaman and Conrad, IV, husband of Dawn Lehman Gast all of Lancaster, six grandchildren, four great grandchildren, a sister Dorothy M. Gast Reynolds of Lancaster and his companion Nancy Reese of Lancaster. He was preceded in death by a sister, Bertha E. Cline.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend his Life Celebration Service from Fred F. Groff Inc., 234 W. Orange St., Lancaster, PA on Thursday at 1:00 PM with the Rev. David C. Nissly officiating. Interment will be held at Conestoga Memorial Park. The family will receive friends at Groff's on Thursday from 11:00 AM until the time of service. Please omit flowers. If desired, memorials may be sent in Conrad's memory to the American Heart Assoc., 610 Community Way, Lancaster, PA 17603 or to the American Cancer Society, 314 Good Dr., Lancaster, PA 17603-9983.