

Obituary

Born: Wednesday, July 4, 1923

Died: Sunday, February 10, 2013



Enso Raymond Pisaneschi, 89, a long-time resident of West Wyoming and recently of Reading, PA, died peacefully in his home on Sunday, February 10. Enso was a 1940 graduate of West Wyoming High School, and the son of first-generation Americans, Ferdinando and Gemma Pisaneschi, whose families emigrated from the Tuscan village of Cireglio, Pistoia, Italy in search of a better life in America.

Born on the Fourth of July, Enso joined the Army and served his country in World War II. He served on the battlefields of Europe and Africa as a cook, and told many stories of both danger and generosity during the war.

During the era when coal was king, his family settled in Coalport, PA, where Enso was born and later moved to West Wyoming. Enso began to pick coal when he was five-years-old, and as a young man, he worked in the mines as a carpenter. He progressed to become a full-time carpenter for the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, where he earned a 20-year service pin. When he worked for the Beretta Construction Company and Sordoni Construction Services, Enso helped build many local commercial buildings, including the Berwick Nuclear Power Plant. When he retired, he continued to make wooden crafts for gift shops in the Poconos.

Enso was the youngest of 10 children, including his older brother Orfeo. In the 1940's and 1950's, they worked together in the Italian Consumers Co-Op Association, a grocery and general store founded to assist the struggling miners to provide for their families.

Enso was married for 56 years to his beloved wife, Lydia Romagnani. He is survived by their two sons, Gene and his wife Pauline, of Cibolo, TX, and Mario and his wife Alice, of Pottstown, PA. Enso is also survived by five grandchildren, Michael Pisaneschi of Horsham, PA; Daryl Cross of Pittsburgh, PA; David Cross of London, England; Rebecca Schwartz of Washington, D.C., and Abigail Schwartz of Chevy Chase, MD. He will be missed by the many loving nieces, nephews and neighbors who were his extended family.

Military funeral services will be accorded on Saturday, February 16, 2013 at 11:30a.m. by the Am Vets Honor Guard at the Gubbiotti Funeral Home, 1030 Wyoming Ave., Exeter. A Mass of Christian burial is at St. Monica's Parish at Our Lady of Sorrows Church, 8th St. West Wyoming, with the Rev. Leo McKernan, as celebrant. Interment will be in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Carverton.

Service Summary

Visitation

5:00 PM to 8:00 PM, Fri Feb 15, 2013

Gubbiotti Funeral Home, LLC

1030 Wyoming Ave.
Exeter, Pennsylvania 18643

Funeral Service

11:30 AM Sat Feb 16, 2013

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1030 Wyoming Ave.
Exeter, Pennsylvania 18643

Mass of Christian Burial

12:00 PM Sat Feb 16, 2013

St. Monica's Parish (Our Lady of Sorrows Church)

8th St.
West Wyoming, Pennsylvania 18644

Friends may call on Friday February 15, 2013 from 5:00 until 8:00pm at the funeral home.

To send the family an expression of sympathy or an online condolence please visit www.gubbiottifh.com

Memorial contributions may be made to the Pennsylvania Veterans Foundation by mail to Pennsylvania Veterans Foundation, P.O. Box 98, Annville, PA, 17003 or online at the "Donate" section of the Foundation's website at www.paveteransfoundation.org.