

Carmine Bucci, Phone-Box Developer; Printer With New York Newspapers

Carmine Anthony Bucci, 78, of Hewlett, Long Island, died on Friday, May 15, at the Franklin Hospital Medical Center in Hempstead, Long Island.

Born in Brooklyn, Mr. Bucci had lived there until moving to Queens in the 1950s. He settled in Hewlett in 1967.

A 50-year member of the International Typographical Union, he began his apprenticeship as a printer in 1941, attending the New York School of Printing.

He continued his printing career while stationed in England with the United States Army Signal Corps, and served with the *London Times* and *Stars and Stripes*.

Mr. Bucci also served in military campaigns in France, Holland, Luxembourg and Germany.

He was honored with a Meritorious Award for developing phone-boxes on the rear of tanks that enabled easier communication between infantrymen and the armed forces inside the tanks.

In 1949, he went to work for several New York newspapers, such as the *Journal-American*, *Daily News*, *New York Post*, *Long Island Star*, *Long Island Press* and finally *Long Island Newsday*, from where he retired.

He was an active union member and played leading roles in several of the major New York newspaper labor union job actions during the 1960s.

Douglas N. Albert, 69, Army Veteran; Had Owned D & M Meat Products

Douglas N. Albert, 69, of Manahawkin died on Wednesday, May 13, at home.

Born in Bristol, Tennessee, he had lived in Newark and Scotch Plains for 40 years before moving to Manahawkin six months ago.

Mr. Albert had been President and owner of D&M Meat Products in Newark for 27 years prior to retiring in 1991.

He served in the United States Army in Okinawa during the Korean Conflict.

Surviving are his wife, Margaret Valenti Albert; two sons, Douglas N. Albert, Jr. of Plainfield and Wayne Albert of Westfield; two daughters, Patrice Sjursen of Washington's Crossing, Pennsylvania, and Lynn Felt of Menlo Park, California; two brothers, Robert Albert of Clark and Raymond Albert of Belleville; four sisters, Winnie Fernandes of Linden, Virginia; Madsen of Elizabeth and Mary Ellen Giovanello of Roselle Park, and two granddaughters.

A Funeral Mass was offered on Monday, May 18, at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Roman Catholic

Church in Scotch Plains, following the funeral from the Memorial Funeral Home, 155 South Avenue in Fanwood.

Interment took place at Hillside Cemetery in Scotch Plains.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Scotch Plains Rescue Squad, P. O. Box 325, Scotch Plains, 07076, or to the Stafford Township First Aid Squad, 61 Beach Avenue, Manahawkin, 08050.

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Obituaries

Clarence H. Bates, Sr., 79, Custodian; Flower Garden Named in His Honor

Clarence Harris Bates, Sr., 79, of Scotch Plains died on Friday, May 15, at home.

Born in Fork Union, Virginia, he moved to Scotch Plains many years ago.

Mr. Bates had been employed as a custodian by the Westfield Board of Education for many years before retiring. He subsequently worked for Pathmark in Watchung for several years.

In 1984, the Westfield school board named a flower garden in his honor at the Administration Building on Elm Street in Westfield, in recognition of his efforts in maintaining the grounds for the benefit of staff and community members.

Surviving are two sons, Clarence H. Bates, Jr. of Plainfield and Wilbert H. Bates of Scotch Plains; two brothers, Warren Bates of Plainfield and James Bates of San Diego; two sis-

ters, Clara L. Peacock and Marie E. Fredericks, both of Plainfield; 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held yesterday, Wednesday, May 20, at St. Luke African Methodist Episcopal Church in Westfield.

Arrangements were under the direction of the Plinton Funeral Home in Westfield.

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Grace Heerwagen, 89

Grace Stager Heerwagen, 89, of Union Township died on Sunday, May 17, at Stone Arch Health Care Center in Pittstown.

Born in Caldwell, she had lived most of her life in Short Hills. She had resided in Westfield before moving to Pittstown this year.

Mrs. Heerwagen was employed in the Mortgage Loan Accounting Department of Prudential Insurance Company in Newark.

She attended the St. John Baptist School in Mendham.

She was a member of the Women's Club of Short Hills-Millburn; the Women's Guild of Christ Church of Short Hills; the Fortnightly Club; the Drexel Club and the Suburbanite Club, all of Short Hills.

Mrs. Heerwagen was a Republican county committeewoman for District No. 3 from 1968 to 1973. She was a volunteer for New Eyes for the Needy of Short Hills for 20 years, and at Overlook Hospital in Summit for 10 years.

She was a member of the Arts and Crafts Flower Beading Group of Maplewood.

Her husband, Elwood Heerwagen of Rockaway, died in 1983.

Surviving are three sons, Robert Heerwagen of Pittstown, Elwood Heerwagen of Rockaway and Peter H. Heerwagen of Loundonville, New York; a half-brother, Alfred Sippel of Wharton; a half-sister, Mildred Hartling of Roselle Park, and four grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 12:30 p.m. today, Thursday, May 21, at Christ Church in Short Hills. There is no visitation.

Arrangements are being handled by the Holcombe-Fisher Funeral Home in Flemington.

Memorial contributions may be made to New Eyes for the Needy, 549 Millburn Avenue, Short Hills, 07078.

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James J. O'Neil, 75, Former Seaman; Was Member of Local Organizations

James J. O'Neil, 75, of Westfield died on Sunday, May 17, at his home.

Born and raised in Kaska, Pennsylvania, he had lived in Westfield since 1956.

Mr. O'Neil had been a custodian for the Westfield Board of Education for 17 years before retiring in 1987.

During World War II, he served as a seaman on the Destroyer *U.S.S. Hopping*, doing convoy duty in the North Atlantic and going on 20 escort missions.

He was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 11467, American Legion Martin Wallberg Post No. 3 and the Knights of Columbus Monsignor Watterson Council No. 1711, all of Westfield.

He was predeceased by a son, James J. O'Neil.

Surviving are his wife of 53 years, Florence Veracco O'Neil; a son, Edward O'Neil of Bradenton, Florida; two sisters, Mary Folweiler of Kaska, Pennsylvania and Nora Sirianni of New Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; a

brother, Warren O'Neil of North Plainfield, and two granddaughters.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be offered at 10 a.m. tomorrow, Friday, May 22, at the Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church in Westfield.

Friends may visit the Dooley Colonial Funeral Home, 556 Westfield Avenue in Westfield, today, Thursday, May 21, from 2 to 4 p.m. and from 7 to 9 p.m., and tomorrow at 9 a.m. Interment will take place at Fairview Cemetery in Westfield.

Memorial donations may be made either to the American Cancer Society or Atlantic Hospice, 33 Bleeker Street, Millburn, 07041.

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Edith Carpenter, 89

Edith Carpenter, 89, of Irvington died on Wednesday, May 13, at Genesis ElderCare-The Woodlands in Plainfield.

Born in Newark, she was a lifelong resident of Irvington.

Mrs. Carpenter had worked as a clerk at First Fidelity Bank in Newark prior to retiring in the 1970s.

She was predeceased by her husband, Earl Carpenter, in 1989.

Surviving are two sons, Earl Carpenter of Westfield and Gary Carpenter of Freehold, and six grandchildren.

Arrangements were handled by the Memorial Funeral Home, 155 South Avenue in Fanwood. Interment took place at Hollywood Memorial Park in Union.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Redeemer Lutheran School, 229 Cowperthwaite Place, Westfield, 07090.

Surviving are his wife, Angela Mone Negri; two sons, Rick Negri of Cranford and John Negri of Fanwood; two daughters, Maddeline Negri and Maria Neg