



## Leland L. Rupert

March 3, 1933 - April 28, 2017

Mr. Leland L. "Lee" Rupert, 84, of Clarion, passed away on April 28, 2017, as a resident of the McKinley Health Center in Brookville.

Born March 3, 1933 in New Kensington, Leland was the son of the late Thomas Owen and Hazel Fishel Rupert.

He married Judith Dunn on December 15, 1956 and she preceded him in death on July 19, 2014.

Lee attended Penn State University and was drafted into the United States Army during the Korean War conflict. Upon returning to the United States, he worked in the family business, R and H Trucking as a mechanic. He was a graduate of the Pennsylvania State Police Academy and employed by the Clarion Borough Police as a police officer. Lee was certified as a firearm's instructor among one of his many law enforcement achievements. During his tenure he attained the rank of Lieutenant. He loved helping the Clarion community as a policeman. He retired in 1992 after 30 years of service.

Lee was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Clarion.

He was an avid hunter and loved to fish.

He is survived by five children and their spouses, Leland E. Rupert and his wife Jean of Clarion, Jon D. Rupert and his wife Kelley of Saxonburg, Bonnie R. Tompkins and her husband Terry of Kennesaw, GA, Patty Abel and her husband David of Acworth, GA, and Judy Wolbert and her husband Paul of Marble, ten grandchildren, Lindsay Jankowski and her husband Joe, Mark Rupert, Jacob Rupert, Lauren Tompkins, Nancy Tompkins, Matthew

Tompkins, Nicole Abel, Christopher Abel, Alex Wolbert, and Kirk Wolbert, two great-grandchildren, Haley Jankowski and Harper Jankowski, a brother, David Rupert of Denver, CO, and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents and wife, Leland was preceded in death by his brother Eugene Rupert, a sister Virginia Coleman, and a grandson Daniel Tompkins.

Family and friends will be received from 2-4 pm and 6-8 pm on Tuesday, May 2, 2017 at the Robert V. Burns Funeral Home, 638 Wood Street, Clarion, PA. Additional viewing will be held from 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, May 3, 2017 at the First United Methodist Church in Clarion.

Military Honors will be accorded by the American Legion Post #066 Honor Guard at 10:30 a.m. in the Church with Funeral Services to follow with the Rev. Kevin Haley, pastor, and Pastor Randy Evans, Clarion Forest VNA Chaplin.

Interment will be at Clarion Cemetery.

The family has requested all memorials be sent to the Clarion Forest VNA and Hospice, 271 Perkins Road, Clarion, PA 16214.

# Tribute Wall



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**Robert V Burns Funeral Home** - August 01, 2017 at 12:44 PM

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“ *Lee was one of the most caring, compassionate police officers I've ever known. He was fearless in the face of danger. The world has lost another warrior of the best kind. I am sorry for your loss.*

*Eric Shaffer*

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**Eric Shaffer** - May 04, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Sorry for the loss of lee your all in my thoughts and prayers.Lee sure did like his red lobster meals and his spaghetti meals in Franklin he will be missed.*

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**Virginia** - May 02, 2017 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ *So sorry for your loss. I use to talk Lee's blood at the hospital. I called him Mr. 333 because of his birthday. He always had a smile and always thanked me. I know he will be missed.*

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**Sharon Gordon** - May 02, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Leland L. Rupert*

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**Tribute Store** - May 01, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Heaven sure is filling up the R&H fellows. My fondest memory isn't to do with R&H, it is that when I was about 5.5 -6 years old they came to the house and brought me my first dog, a boxer named Tammy. She was with me all the way from first grade until my Senior year. He'd see me in town and ask how I was treating my boxer. Funny thing was people sometimes thought I was asking about a fighter.*

*Prayers of comfort for the family. Brenda (Cunningham) Moon*

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**Brenda Moon** - May 01, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *Although Lee is gone he will not be forgotten. In 38 years of knowing him we shared a few trips to the gun ranges, some coffee and some enlightening letters. Not much time to get many points across, but we shared mutual interests and connected. I have been gone from the Clarion area for close to 20 years, and returned 2 years ago to introduce my Son to him. I can still see the smile on his face when we all sat together at his table and talked. I am sure that he is in a better place and can continue the search for happiness.*

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**M** - May 01, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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