

Geraldine (Kerstetter) Barns, (13 Apr 1932 – 5 Jul 2012), Perry County Times, July 21, 2012

Geraldine “Gerry” Barns, 80, formerly of Perry County, died Thursday, July 5, 2012 in Sarah A. Todd Memorial Home, Carlisle.

She was born April 13, 1932 at Millerstown to the late **Ralph** and **Nettie (Hockenbrock) Kerstetter**, one of 16 children.

She was a homemaker and had worked as a home health aide; a member of Faith United Church, Ickesburg, and former member of Zion United Church of Christ, Blain, where she was a Sunday school teacher; and Blain Fire Company Ladies Auxiliary; and a former Girl Scout leader in Blain.

She was the widow of **George “Warren” Barns**.

Surviving are four children, **Barry Barns** of Loysville, **Sharon Magaro** of Halifax, **Karon Beaston** of Shermans Dale and **Susan Stum** of Landisburg; two sisters, **Thelma Johnson** of Duncannon and **Dorothy Leiter** of Loganton, Pa; two brothers, **Robert Kerstetter** of Hebron, Ohio and **James Kerstetter** of Millersburg; seven grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two sisters, **Anna Jane** and **Mildred**; and nine brothers, **Clarence, Lee, C. Paul, George, Richard, Ernest, Alvin, Herman** and **Donald**.

Services were held July 10 in Zion United Church of Christ, Blain, with the Rev. Paul Gehris officiating.

Burial was in Buffalo Cemetery, Ickesburg.

Nickel Funeral Home, Loysville, handled arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Diabetes Association, 3544 N. Progress Ave., Suite 101 Harrisburg, 17110, Zion U.C.C., P.O. Box 87, Blain 17006, or Faith United Church, P.O. Box 248, Ickesburg 17037.

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