

**Thomas Edward Blair Jr.**, (Died 3 Aug 2012), Perry County Times, August 23, 2012

**Thomas Edward Blair Jr.**, 70, of Newport died Friday, Aug. 3, 2012 at home. He was born Feb. 26, 1942 in Philadelphia.

He was a 20-year Navy veteran and retired as a senior chief store keeper in 1980, and later retired as an inventory control manager after 14 years with the Mechanicsburg Navy Depot.

Surviving are his wife of 50 years, **Ruth (Trout) Blair**; five sons, **Thomas E. III, Mark A., Andrew D., Matthew Q.** and **Jason A.**; and three daughters, **Christine Klinger, Mary-Katherine Thomas** and **Stephanie Jones**; 16 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; a sister, **Joan Gilbert**; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his youngest son, **Keith Christian**, and two sisters, **Dorothy Jones** and **Mary Boyce**.

A Memorial Mass was held in St. Bernard Catholic Church, New Bloomfield.

Burial was in Newport Cemetery.

David Myers Funeral Home, Newport, handled arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to Bethesda Mission, P.O. Box 3041, Harrisburg 17105, American Diabetes Association, 3544 N. Progress Ave., Suite 103, Harrisburg 17110, or Kidney Foundation of Central Pennsylvania, 4813 Jonestown Road, Harrisburg 17109.

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