

Rev. Braynard E. Kurkowski, (Died 20 Nov 1999), Patriot-News, Sunday, November 21, 1999

NEWPORT -- The **Rev. Braynard E. Kurkowski**, 93, formerly of Newport RD 2, died Saturday in the Perry Village Nursing Home, New Bloomfield.

He retired as minister emeritus from Incarnation United Church of Christ here and St. John United Church of Christ, Markelsville, was a former minister at St. John United Church of Christ, Harrisburg, and had served churches in Rochester, N.Y., and Scranton; did a weekly broadcast of 'Religion in the News' for WHP Radio; and was a former president of the United Churches of Harrisburg.

He was a graduate of the University of Rochester and Eden Theological Seminary, St. Louis, Mo.; a former chaplain-administrator of the Chautauqua United Church of Christ Society; a former board president of Friendship House, Scranton; and a former member and secretary of the United Church of Christ's Theological Commission.

He was a former board vice president of the Camp Curtin YMCA, Harrisburg; a former Perry Village board member and dedication committee chairman; a member of Community Grange, the Perry County Historical Society, the Perry Historians, Royal Arch Chapter 238 and Harrisburg Consistory; and a life member of Rochester F&AM Lodge 163.

Surviving are his wife, **Mary E. Kurkowski**; three sons, **Rev. Fred E.** of Easton, **Paul** of Newport and **David** of North Wales; a daughter, **Catherine A. Reimer** of Coatesville; seven grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at 2: 30 p.m. Tuesday in Incarnation Church. Burial will be in Newport Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

Myers Funeral Home, Newport, is handling arrangements.

Memorial donations may be made to the church, P.O. Box 68, Newport 17074, or Perry Village Nursing Home, 213 E. Main St., New Bloomfield 17068.

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