

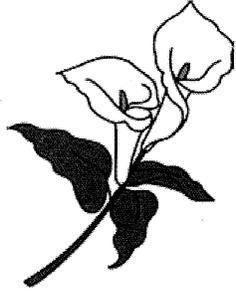


Optimist
INTERNATIONAL

Atlantic Central District and
Maryland - South Delaware District
of Optimist International (OI)
Joint Convention
Memorial Service

Sunday, August 17, 2025

Hilton Garden Inn Gettysburg
1061 York Road, Gettysburg, PA 17325
717-334-2040



Program

Welcome: ACD Clergy Maxcine Collier, Past Governor
Moment of Optimism

Opening Prayer: Robert "Bob" Collier Sr, Past Governor
and Chaplain-Elect ACD

Memorial Music Selection

Words of Optimism: Maxcine Collier, Past Governor
Candle Lighting: Atlantic Central District

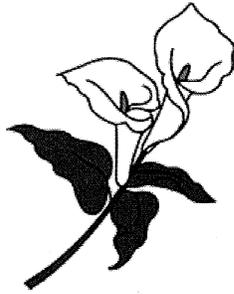
Words of Optimism: MDSD Invocator Tommy Zebroski
Candle Lighting: Maryland - South Delaware District

Closing Prayer: Maxcine Collier, Past Governor

Memorial Music Selection

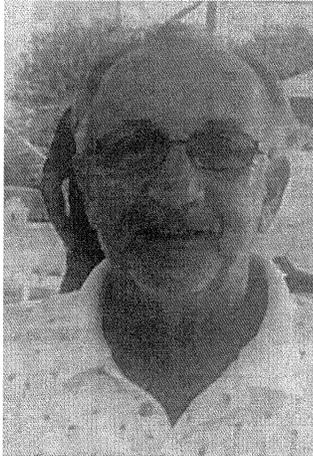
ACD=Atlantic Central District

MDSD=Maryland - South Delaware District



IN MEMORIAM
Atlantic Central District

Frank Lardiere



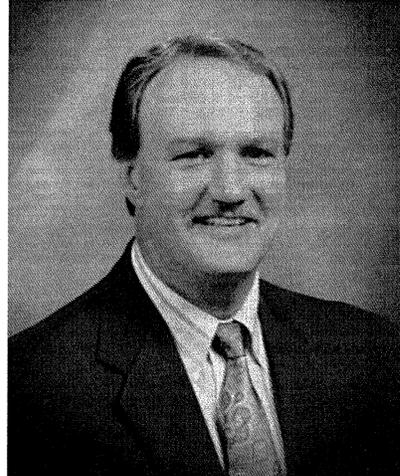
WEST HUDSON-SOUTH BERGEN, NJ

Joined in 2001

Zone 3

<http://armitagewiggins.com/obituaries/2024/10/25/frank-lardiere>

Philip W. Damiani, Jr.



MEDIA-ROSE TREE, PA

Joined in 1987

Zone 4

<https://www.haganfuneralhome.com/obituary/philip-damiani-jr>

Matthew T. McClane, Jr.



KEARNY, NJ

Joined on 3/1/1969

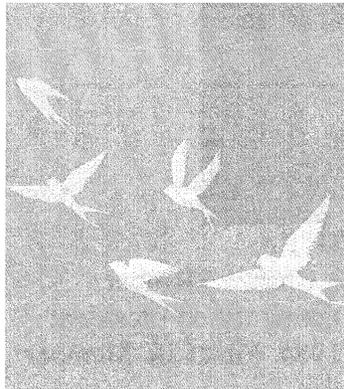
Life Member: 10/31/1980

Zone 3

<https://obits.nj.com/us/obituaries/starledger/name/matthew-mcclane-obituary?id=56536364>

<https://www.thiele-reid.com/obituary/Matthew-McClane>

Pierce A. Lawson, Sr.



CHESTER-SOUTH CHESTER, PA

Joined on 9/1/1978

Life Member: 12/12/1986

Zone 4

<https://obits.cremationsocietyofphiladelphia.com/pierce-lawson>

Carole Shea



MEDIA-ROSE TREE, PA

Joined on 2/14/2018

Membership Program: Recruit a Teacher

Zone 4

Cindy Holmes



DREAM BUILDERS-ELKINS PARK, PA

Joined on 9/28/2015

Zone 5

<https://lrim.blogspot.com/p/ministry-bio.html>

Ozzie Hackett, Jr.



LOWER MONTCO, PA

Joined on 9/30/1980, Charter Member,

Charter President, Distinguished President

Life Member: 1/31/1984, First Life Member
in Club

Lt. Governor of Zone 1 and Zone 4, District
Essay Contest Committee Chair

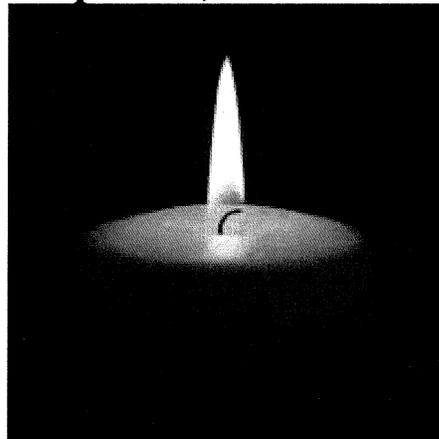
PGI Level 10: 09/30/2015, Hall of Fame

Nominee [2025]

Zone 5

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ozzie-hackett-obituary?id=59103660](https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/name/ozzie-hackett-obituary?id=59103660)

Christopher Stephen Stephano, Jr.



AUDUBON-LOWER PROVIDENCE, PA

Joined on 5/20/1976

Life Member: 10/29/1982

President and Secretary

Bike Safety Day with the Police Department,

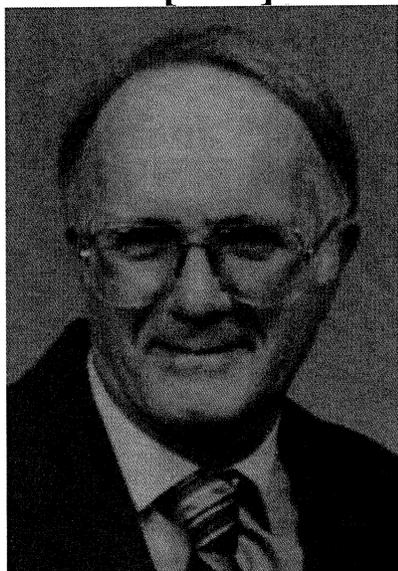
Christmas Tree Lighting and the Annual Egg Hunt

Zone 5

[https://www.legacy.com/obituaries/name/christophe
r-stephano-obituary?pid=208263282](https://www.legacy.com/obituaries/name/christopher-stephano-obituary?pid=208263282)

[https://www.echovita.com/us/obituaries/pa/audubon
/christopher-stephen-stephano-jr-19082544](https://www.echovita.com/us/obituaries/pa/audubon/christopher-stephen-stephano-jr-19082544)

Robert [Bob] C. Ruof



LANCASTER INC., PA

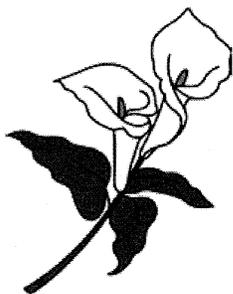
Joined on 5/1/1980

Life Member: 5/9/1988

Both his son and grandson are also members.

Zone 7

<https://www.snyderfuneralhome.com/obituary/robert-charles-bob-ruof/>



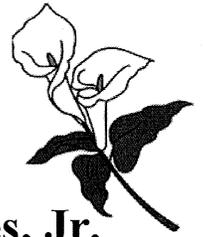
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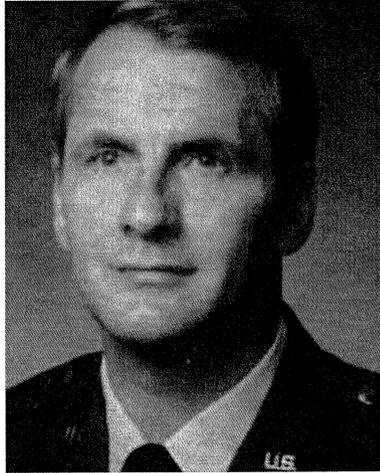
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Maryland - South Delaware District



Claude Joseph Hurst



**CARROLL COUNTY-FREEDOM DIST,
MD**

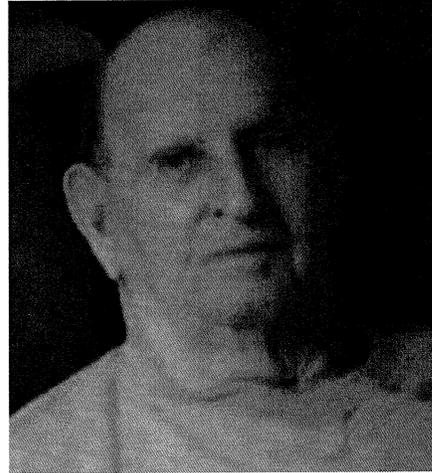
Joined on 9/1/1986

Life Member: 9/30/1999

President, Founder of Youth Optimist Club
Zone 1

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/352today/name/claude-hurst-obituary?id=57918515>

Melvin Ellsworth Jones, Jr.



OCEAN CITY-BERLIN, MD

Joined on 11/11/2004

Life Member: 12/10/2012

Zone 2

<https://www.bishophastingsfh.com/obituaries/Melvin-Ellsworth-Jones-Jr?obId=42689323>

Clarence I. Snyder, Sr.



FREDERICK, MD

Joined on 10/1/1959, Charter Member

Life Member: 9/30/1999

President

Zone 1

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/fredericknews/post/name/clarence-snyder-obituary?id=57301279>

Dawn Elaine Simpson



DUNDALK, MD

Joined on 3/26/2015

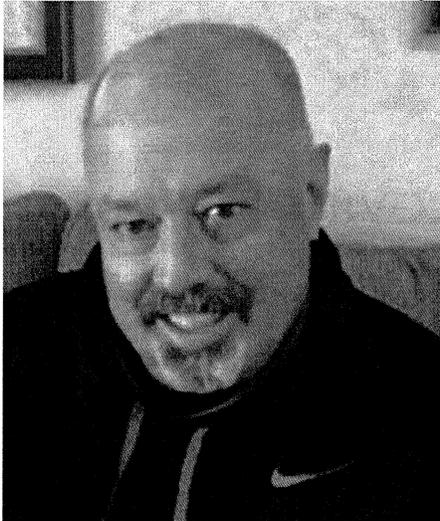
Life Member: 4/30/2025

President

Zone 3

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/thebaltimorebanner/name/dawn-simpson-obituary?id=58910533>

Mark Andrew Bailey



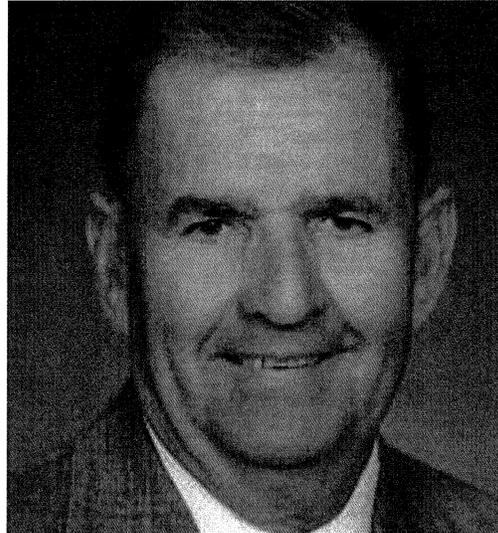
BUSHWOOD-7TH DISTRICT, MD

Joined on 8/1/1982

Zone 4

<https://www.tributearchive.com/obituaries/3529585/mark-andrew-bailey>

Robert Allan Russell, Sr.

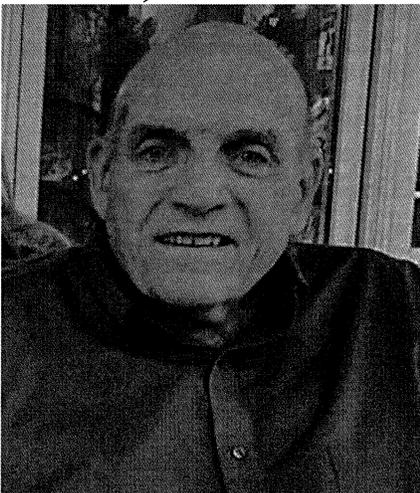


BUSHWOOD-7TH DISTRICT, MD

Joined on 4/17/1968, Charter Member
Zone 4

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/name/robert-russell-obituary?id=58726806>

Andrew Jackson [Jack] Brown, Jr.



CALVERT-PRINCE FREDERICK, MD

Joined on 12/28/1998

Life Member: 2/4/2020

President

Zone 4

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/name/andrew-brown-obituary?id=58657406>

Mary Lynn Whetstine



MECHANICSVILLE, MD

Joined on 2/1/1988

Life Member: 9/16/1992

Zone 4

<https://www.brinsfieldfuneral.com/obituary/mary-lynn-whetstine>

**Loretta Mae [Lori]
Yestramski**

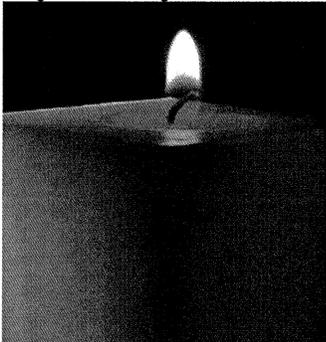


HUNTINGTOWN OPTIMIST CLUB

Joined on 10/16/2023, Charter Member
Zone 4

<https://rauschfuneralhomes.com/service/loretta-mae-yestramski/>

Lyai Peyton, Jr.

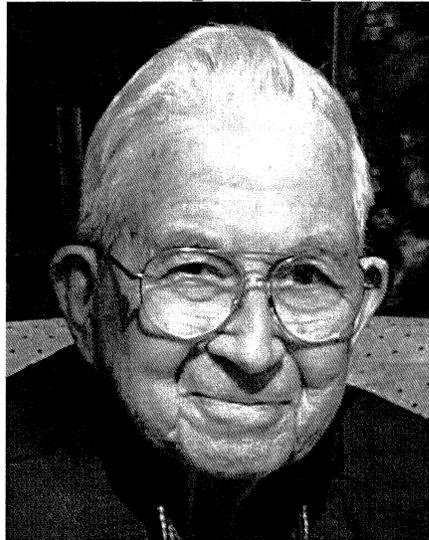


**GREATER JACKSONVILLE-
PHOENIX INC., MD**

Life Member
Zone 5



Richard [Dick] Foard Price



TIMONIUM, MD

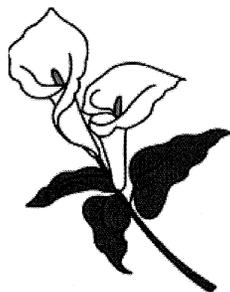
Joined on 6/17/1957, Charter Member
Life Member: 9/30/1999

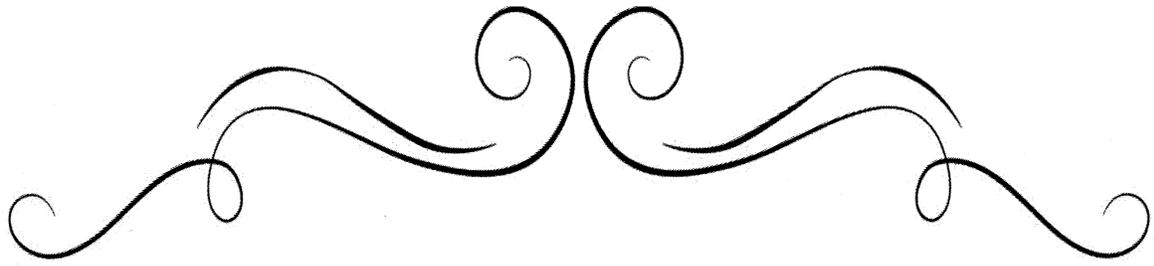
President, Lt. Governor, Optimist International Vice
President, and Optimist Hall of Fame [2016]
Zone 5

<https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/timonium-md/dick-price-12267228>

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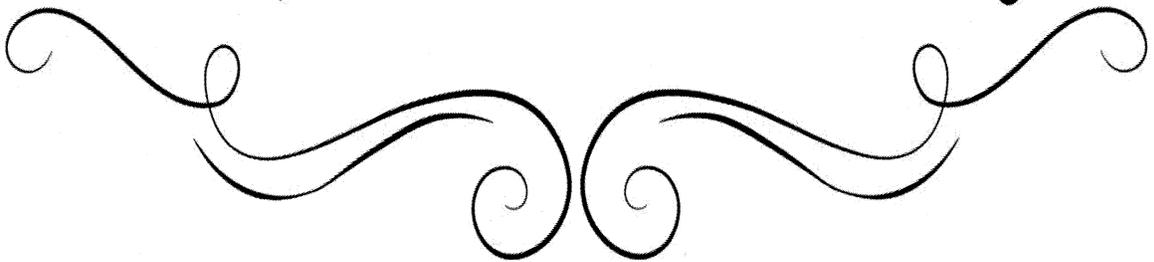
In Loving Memory

♡ Those we love don't go away ♡

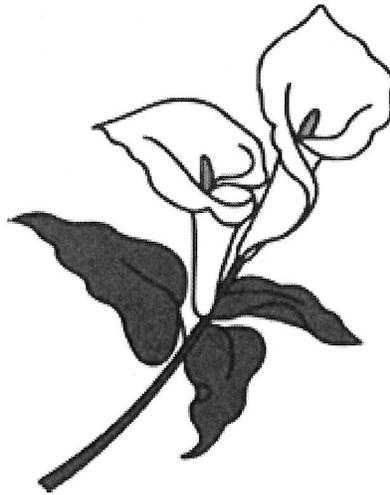
They walk beside us everyday

Unseen, unheard, but always near

Still loved, still missed and very dear



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