

In Remembrance

Lancaster High School, Lancaster, Ohio, Class of 1975 Remembrance Section of Class Directory

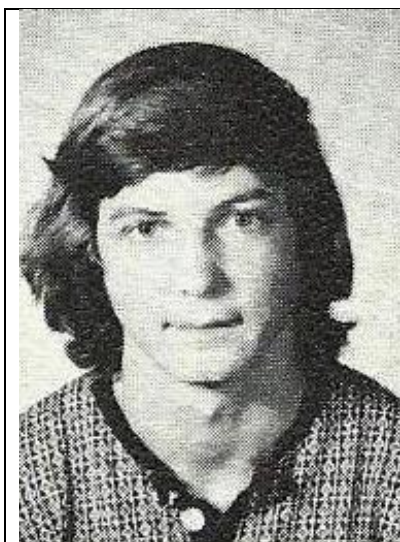
This section may be incomplete! Comments and corrections can be provided to Chet@LHS60.net.

Classmates – Classmates are included as we learn about them.

Images – We do not have a 1975 Mirage yearbook at this time so yearbook images are not available. Current images are included when available.

Dates – Dates are included from the Social Security Death Index or obituaries when available.

Obituaries – Obituaries are included when available. In many cases they are the source for adding a classmate and provide verification that information contained here is correct.



Jerry L. Mayes

Glouster, Ohio

9 Dec 1956 – 20 Dec 2011

GLOUSTER: Jerry L. Mayes, Age 55 Of Glouster, Formerly Of Lancaster Passed Away On Tuesday, December 20, 2011 From An Extended Illness. He Was Born December 9, 1956 In Junction City.

He Is Survived By Parents, Jerry D. And Barbara Mayes; Brother Jeff And Sisters Rhonda And Regina; Aunts, Uncles And Nieces And Nephews; Also Survived by

Grandmother Leona Garey. He Was Preceded In Death By His



Brother Michael R. Mayes.

He Was A Avid Fisherman And Loved To Fish With His Uncle Dan.

Cremation Has Taken Place And A Memorial Service Will Be Held At A Later Date.

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* We do not have a 1975 yearbook at this time so yearbook image is from sophomore year

Francis Gregory Bennett Sr.

Lancaster, Ohio

27 Jul 1956 – 11 Sep 2011

LANCASTER: Francis G. Bennett Sr., 55, of Lancaster, went to meet his Lord on Sunday, September 11, 2011. He was born on July 27, 1956 to Ruth Franks Bennett and the late Robert Bennett.

Francis is survived by his loving wife Florence "Flo" of 32 years; children Jamie (Misty) Littrell, Christina Littrell, Francis Bennett Jr., Candy Bennett and Brian (Annie) Lopez; grandchildren Tataum and Leola Littrell, Trinity and Destinee Pargeon and Gabriel and Isabell Lopez; mother Ruth Franks Bennett; brothers Mike (Suellen) of Danvill, Bob (Roxann) of Lancaster, Steve (Mary) of Lancaster, Don (Betty) of Thornville, George (Betty) of Pleasantville, Tony (Rita) of Rockbridge and Joe of Rockbridge; sisters Bonnie (Jon) Figgins of Lancaster, Theresa (Tom) Spencer of Catlettsburg, KY and Mary (Bill) Dittoe of Lancaster; many nieces, nephews and extended family; special friends Randy Smith and Roy Rodgers. In addition to his father Robert, Francis was preceded in death by his brother Charles Bennett.



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Funeral Services will be held on Thursday, September 15th at 1:00 PM at the SHERIDAN FUNERAL HOME with Pastor Jerry Bennett officiating. Cremation will follow services. Family will receive friends from 11:00 AM until the time of service.

To send an online condolence and sign guestbook, please visit www.sheridanfuneralhome.net and click obituaries.

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Debra Kay (Bigham) Diaz

Amanda, Ohio

13 Jul 1958 – 6 Mar 2010

AMANDA: Debra K. Diaz, 51, of Amanda, passed away Saturday, March 6, 2010 at Berger Hospital. She was born July 13, 1958 in Lancaster and was the daughter of the late Homer "Barney" Bigham and Bette I. (Harmon) Bigham. Debra was a 26 year veteran in the U.S. Air Force where she was employed as a logistics supervisor. She attained the rank of Chief Msgt. She served in Spain, Germany and Azores Island (off the coast of Africa). She also served at Chanute AFB in Illinois, Nellis AFB in Nevada, Andrews AFB in Maryland and Wright Patterson AFB in Dayton. She also participated in the Gideons International.

She is survived by her husband, Martin F. Diaz; son, Martin L. Diaz of Columbus; daughter, Carol A. Diaz of Amanda; sisters, Charlotte Riser of Bremen, Rita Osborn, Carol (Robert) Minnard and Penny (Carl) Blosser all of Lancaster, Dale (Jeff) Lutz of Amanda; brother, Daniel Bigham of Circleville; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by brothers, Larry Bigham, Henry "Hank" Bigham and Terry Bigham; and a sister, Donna Bigham.

Funeral services will be held 1:00 p.m. Wednesday at the Taylor Funeral Home with Pastor Chris Hildenbrand officiating. Burial will follow in Maple Grove Cemetery where military honors will be provided by AMVETS Post #2256 of Circleville.

Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

Online condolences may be made at: www.mytaylorfuneralhome.com

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Barbara Lynn (Jones) Lindsay

Columbus, Ohio

4 Nov 1956 - 1 Dec 2009

COLUMBUS: Barbara Lynn (Jones) Lindsay, 53, of Columbus, passed away Tuesday, December 1, 2009 in The OSU Medical Center.

She was born on November 4, 1956 in Ocean City, NJ a daughter of the late Roger and Edith (Rahn) Jones. Barbara was a member of the Northland Church of Christ and was a graduate of The Ohio State University. She is survived by her husband, John Lindsay; son, Jamie Lindsay; daughter, Jenna Lindsay; and brother, David Jones all of Columbus; a sister, Cyndi (Kip) Baucher of Lancaster; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents.

Friends may call Friday from 5-8 p.m. in the Northland Church of Christ, 4581 Cleveland Ave., Columbus, OH, and one hour prior to the service. Funeral Services will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. in the Church with Pastor Ron Adams officiating. Burial will follow in Forest Rose Cemetery, Lancaster.

The family is being served by the Halteman-Fett & Dyer Funeral Home, Lancaster.

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Kevin Douglas Nisley

Lancaster, Ohio

17 Jul 1957 - 25 Jun 2009

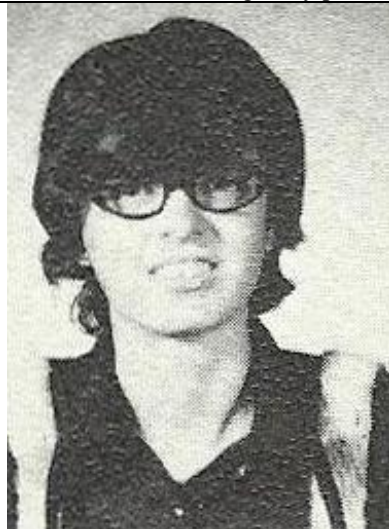
LANCASTER: Kevin Douglas Nisley, 51, of Lancaster, Ohio, born on July 17, 1957 and passed into the arms of God on Thursday, June 25, 2009 at his residence.

Kevin faced Leukemia with courage, dignity and his sarcastic sense of humor. He was an avid golfer at Valley View, and known for his ability to hit the ball further than Tiger... but could never find it afterwards. His many practice shots never helped his game! He was a lifelong Buckeye Fan, and one of his most memorable and special times, in his life, was a recent surprise visit from Coach Tressel, arranged by

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his best buddy, Miller. Kevin was the owner of Focus On Lancaster. Kevin is survived by his loving and devoted wife, Debra; son, Brandon Leohner of Palm Coast, Florida; step-daughters, Candice Bertoch of Queens, New York and Thomasean Bertoch of Columbus, Ohio; step-son, Jay Bertoch of Lancaster, Ohio; mother, Mary Lou Brill of Columbus, Ohio; brothers, Craig Nisley of Roanoke, Virginia and Scott Nisley of San Diego, California; and nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, Richard "Bud" Nisley; and his grandparents. Kevin, in his words, was "overwhelmed" by the outpouring of love and support given to him and his wife, Debra, by all of their close friends and family. Kevin felt an immense gratitude for a life well lived. Caring Cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be held on Sunday, June 28, 2009 at 3:30 p.m. at the Lancaster Community Church, 220 N. Columbus St., Lancaster, Ohio 43130 with Pastor Ron Grubb officiating. Visiting hours will be held Saturday from 2-4 & 6-8 p.m. at the FRANK E. SMITH FUNERAL HOME AND CREMATORY, 405 N. COLUMBUS ST., LANCASTER, OHIO 43130. A special thank you goes to the staff at FairHoPe Hospice. Memorial gifts may be given to FairHoPe Hospice, 282 Sells Rd., Lancaster, Ohio 43130 or The Foundation Dinners, 1000 W. 5th Ave., Lancaster, Ohio 43130. Condolences may be sent to fsmith@greenapple.com.

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Patricia (Fetty) Pitts

Lancaster, Ohio
13 Jan 1958 – 22 Jun 2009

LANCASTER: Patricia Lou Pitts, 51, of Lancaster, Ohio passed away June 22, 2009 at Fairfield Medical Center, Lancaster, Ohio. Patricia was born January 13, 1958 in Lancaster, Ohio to Raymond Hedges and Patricia Ann Fetty. Surviving are boyfriend, Charles Rowan of Lancaster; mother, Patricia Ann (Charles Pence) Fetty; children, Lisa Ann (Ric Kornuc) Rowan of Akron, Roy (Vernie) Rowan of Flatwoods, KY, Linda (Marshall Seymour) Rowan of Laurelville, and Jason (Tina Veedmont) Pitts of Lancaster; brothers, Ron (Cindy Devore) Hedges of Lancaster, and Ross (Theresa) Hedges; and 12 grandchildren. Patricia was preceded in death by her father.

Funeral services will be held at 10:00 a.m. Friday June 26, 2009 at the Heinlein-Brown Funeral Home, Logan, Ohio. Burial will be at the Hampson Cemetery, Pleasantville, Ohio. Calling Hours will be observed Thursday, June 25, 2009 from 6-9 p.m. at the funeral home. LETTERS OF CONDOLENCE MAY BE SENT TO THIS FAMILY AT THE WEBSITE: <http://brownfuneralservice.com>

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* Class photo from 1973 Yearbook Sophomore images.

John Young¹

Lancaster, Ohio
29 Jan 2009

John Slantz Young, 51, of Lancaster, died Thursday, Jan. 29, 2009, at his residence. He was born in Nashville, Tenn. John was in the Class of 1975 from Lancaster High School and graduated from the Culinary School at Hocking College, and was a graduate of Ohio University. He served in the U.S. Army from 1976 through 1979 as a PFC truck driver. He was a self-employed home remodeler. He was a member of Lancaster Vineyard Church and active in A.A. John is survived by his sisters and brothers-in-law, Charlsa Kendall of Lancaster, Wilma Lea (Carl Jr.)

¹ John Slantz Young is listed as being in the LHS class of 1975 in the Lancaster Eagle Gazette but he is not listed in the 2000 LHS Alumni Directory.

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Shaffer of Lancaster, and Mary Bea (Kenneth) Huff of Florida; nieces and nephews, Mathew (Georgie) Reed, Lee (Danielle) Reed, Tessa Burroughs, Drew (Dianna) Huff, Melanie (John Paul) Kindig; many great-nieces and nephews; and special friends, Skip and Kim.

His parents, Charles and Evelyn Young preceded him in death.

A memorial service will take place at 2 p.m. Saturday at Lancaster Community Church, 230 N. Columbus St., with Pastor Joel Seymour of Lancaster Vineyard Church officiating.

Visitation will be from 1 to 2 p.m. Saturday. Fellowship will take place following services at 3 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to Lancaster Vineyard Church. To send an online condolence and sign the guestbook, visit www.webfh.com/sheridanfuneralhome and click obituaries.

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Mary Lou (Layman) Turner

Lancaster, Ohio

1 Jul 1957 - 25 Dec 2005

Mary Lou Layman Turner, 48, of Lancaster, died Sunday, Dec. 25, 2005, in Riverside Methodist Hospital, Columbus.

She was a member of the Fifth Avenue Church of Christ and was the music director of the choral and handbells at The Second Presbyterian Church, Newark. She was a graduate of Lancaster High School class of 1975 and graduated from Capital University with a degree in music education. She went to Muskingum College to get a masters in music and was an elementary teacher at Etna Elementary/District of Southwest Licking Schools. She was a member of the Red Hat Society and the American Guild of English Handbell Ringers. She was the superintendent of the Llama program for Fairfield County and the Hartford Fair. She was a member of the Ohio Education Association through Southwest Licking and was an advisor for the Loveable Llama 4-H Club and gave piano lessons.

She is survived by her husband, Timothy Turner; sons, Steven Turner and Christopher Turner, both of Lancaster; twin daughters, Stefanie and Christina Turner of the home; mother, Evalou Layman of Castlewood, Va.; brother, Tim Layman of Chandler, Ariz.; nieces, Bryana Layman and Azaria Ford; and mother-in-law, Donna (Coy) Cupler of Lancaster.

She was preceded in death by her father, the Rev. Grant Layman.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at the Second Presbyterian Church, 42 East Church, Newark, Ohio, with Dr. Mitch Van Metre officiating. Burial will follow in Floral Hills Memory Gardens, Lancaster.

Friends may call from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the Johnson-Smith Funeral Home, Baltimore, and one hour prior to the service Thursday at the church.

Memorials may be given for a college fund at the Fairfield National Bank for her daughters.

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Jeffrey C. Gardner

4 Mar 1957 – 20 Feb 2004

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Larry Keith Kiger

Lancaster, Ohio

15 Sep 1956 – 16 Dec 2001

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Robert 'Rob' A. Miller

19 May 1957 – 15 Mar 2001

Robert "Rob" A. Miller, 43, of Baltimore, died Thursday, March 15, 2001, at Fairfield Medical Center.

He was an independent truck driver with his C.B. handle being speedbuggy.

He is survived by his wife, Peggy Miller; son and daughter-in-law, Kevin and Heather Hempleman of Lancaster; two daughters, Melissa Hempleman and friend Jeff Camp, Tonia Hempleman and friend Harold O'Connor, all of Baltimore; three grandchildren, Taylor Hempleman, Natalie Camp, and Devin O'Connor; parents, Charles and Wanda Miller; two brothers and sister-in-law, Charles P. and Brenda Miller, all of

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Thurston, and Paul L. and Melanie Miller of Gahanna; four nephews and two nieces; mother-in-law, Peggy Reynolds of Baltimore.

A funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in the Johnson-Smith Funeral Home Chapel, Baltimore, with Rev. Bob Tussing of Grace United Church of Christ officiating. Burial will follow in Greenfield Township Cemetery.

Friends may visit from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday and from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home. Memorial gifts may be given to the Baltimore Community Love Fund, care of the funeral home.

Originally published in the Lancaster Eagle Gazette Friday, March 16, 2001

Connie J. (Nameth) Dougherty

21 Oct 1956 – 6 Sep 2000

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James O. Vaughan Jr.

11 Apr 1957 – 12 Aug 1999

Reported in Lancaster, Ohio in the 1996 LHS Alumni Directory.

James O. Vaughan Jr. is reported deceased 12 Aug 1999 with obituary August 14, 1999 in the 1999 Lancaster Eagle Gazette Obituary index published by the Fairfield County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society in Lancaster, Ohio.

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Bridgette Leigh Lines

Ohio

26 Dec 1956 – 12 Jul 1996

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Melody Elaine (Delong) Howard

Ohio

9 Apr 1957 – 30 May 1993

Looking for copy of Lancaster Eagle Gazette obituaries for June 2, 1993

Gregory Keith Sells

Lancaster, Ohio

25 May 1956 – 2 May 1993

Gregory Keith Sells, 36, Lancaster, died as a result of an auto accident on Sunday, May 2, 1993.

He was a U.S. Marine Corp veteran of Vietnam, member of American Legion Post 11, Lancaster Moose and Fraternal Order of Eagles 2121 and was a member of Maple Street United Methodist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Gail L. (Gardner) Sells of Lancaster; sons, Gregory Keith Sells Jr. and Steven Marty Sells of Lancaster; mother, Mrs. Louretta (Bill) Boyer of Lancaster; father, Dan (Peg) Sells of Bremen; brothers and sisters-in-law, Danial (Kim) Sells and Steve (Rosie) Sells; sister and brother-in-law, Sophia (Rob) Stevens, all of Lancaster; half-brothers, William and Weslie Sells of Bremen; grandmother, Clarisa Smith of Rushville; father and mother-in-law, Donald and Judy Gardner of Lancaster; and nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents.

Services will be held 1 p.m. Thursday at Halteman-Fett & Dyer Funeral Home, with the Revs. William Snider and Larry Swaisgood officiating. Burial will be at Maple Grove Cemetery, where military graveside



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rites will be conducted by the American Legion.
Friends may call from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.
The family suggests donations be made to Boy Scout Troop 106, P.O. Box 606, Lancaster, Ohio 43130, in memory.

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Paul Alan Willison

Tampa Florida
15 Oct 1956 – 4 Dec 1986

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Susan E. Fowler

Lancaster, Ohio
1957 – 30 Oct 1976

Looking for additional information and obituary



Vicki L. Handley*

Lancaster, Ohio
13 Aug 1957 – 12 Jul 1976

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* Vicki was identified as classmate in an e-mail 20110727 that indicated she was involved in a fatal automobile crash possibly the summer of 1973. Picture from 1973 (Sophomore) Mirage Yearbook

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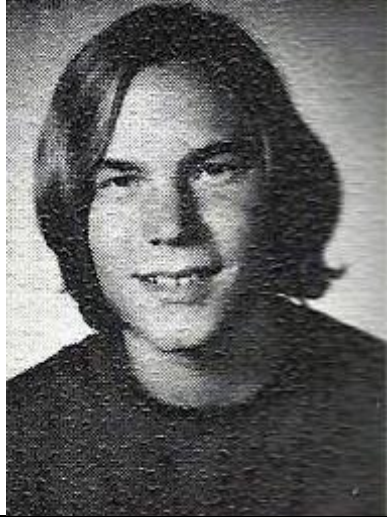
The following classmates were reported deceased in the 2000 LHS Alumni Directory but independent confirmation has not been obtained.

John Wayne McCullough

- John McCullough is reported as living in Lancaster, Ohio in the 1996 LHS Alumni Directory.
- John McCullough is not in the 1978 through 2000 Lancaster Eagle Gazette Obituary index published by the Fairfield County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society in Lancaster, Ohio although there is a J. Frank McCullough died 16 Oct 1996 with obituary 18 Oct 1986.
- John Wayne McCullough is reported as address unconfirmed in the 2010 LHS Alumni Directory

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Looking for more information



Fredrick 'Fritz' R. Holzer

- Check out Fredrick Richard Holzer, 11 Dec 1956 – 17 Dec 1978 from Southern Pines, North Carolina with death in Moore County, Arizona. Picture from 1973 Mirage Yearbook (Sophomore year)