



## Samuel F Klinger

March 12, 1924 - May 26, 2010

Samuel Franklin Klinger, age 86, of 773 Deep Creek Road, Hegins, passed away Wednesday, May 26, 2010 at the Reading Hospital. He was born on Wednesday, March 12, 1924, in Barry Twp, a son of the late Leroy Klinger and Elizabeth (Neiswander) Klinger. He served in the Army in the South Pacific during World War II. He was a superintendent and mine foreman for the former Kocher Coal Co., Valley View. He was a member of Salem Barry United Methodist Church, Weishample. He was also a member of F&AM Valley Lodge 797 Valley View, Tall Cedars of Lebanon Lodge 125 Millersburg, and American Legion Post 575 Valley View. He was preceded in death by his wife, Hilda Arlene (Klinger) Klinger in 1998. He is survived by a son Ronald L Klinger of Santa Rosa, Calif.; a daughter Melodye A. Boyer of Shoemakersville; two grandchildren; and five great grandchildren. Private graveside services will be held at the convenience of the family in Salem Cemetery, Weishample. Buffington-Reed Funeral Home, Valley View, is in charge of arrangements. Condolences can be left for the family at [www.buffingtonreed.com](http://www.buffingtonreed.com).

# Comments

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“ Sam was a good friend and co-worker to my grandfather, Allen Schwartz. He always had a great sense of humor and made sure he said hello when ever we would bump into each other in town. We would like to extend heartfelt sympathy to all the family and we hope each of his family members can gather strength and comfort from your fond memories of him. May God be with each of you ~ Terry, Melody, Jean Schwartz and Christy Leiter

**Schwartz Family** - June 22, 2010 at 10:53 AM

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“ Sam was a good man and he will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you in this time of grieving.

From the staff at Elsie's resteraunt

**Elsie's restaurant** - June 07, 2010 at 09:21 AM

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“ Sorry to hear about the passing of your dad. If he was anything like you he must have been a great guy, a great father and a great friend.

**Rhoda & Budd Oif** - June 02, 2010 at 10:07 AM

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“ I am very sorry to hear that your dad died on wednesday. He was avery good friend of mom and dad. Which was dan & gloria wehry.Tou have my deepest sympathy & condolences.

**Tom Wehry** - May 31, 2010 at 08:20 PM

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“ Melody, Ronnie, and families,  
So sorry to hear of Sam's passing. He was the last of "the gang". I have so many fond memories of going to your place as a child. I always remember the Labor Day Parades. Sam was a wonderful man and I know he will be missed. He is with your mom now and I am sure they are visiting with my parents as well! It always made me laugh when he and Hilda would drive all the way down here, stay a short time and hear Sam say, "Well, we better get going." You have my deepest sympathy.

Bill and Carol Souders

**Carol Souders** - May 31, 2010 at 08:20 PM

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“ Sam, known to us as Uncle Sam, he was adored and loved by us all...so sad to hear of his passing. And he will be so missed. Bonnie Neumeister

**Bonnie Neumeister** - May 31, 2010 at 08:20 PM

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“ Ron and Melodye,

Many good memories of times shared with your family. Your Dad had a wealth of information that he shared with us when he visited in these later years. Always learned something new when we talked with him. He enjoyed coming to visit when our brother was home from Kansas. We will miss your Dad (Uncle Sam). Didn't realize that your Mom was gone 12 years. We miss them both. Forever a lot of family get-together memories.

We are thinking of you at this difficult time.  
Diane and Bob

**Diane Hess** - May 31, 2010 at 08:20 PM

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“ I had the privilege of knowing Sam as the highly regarded Superintendent of the Porter Tunnel Mine where he was a key member of the team that reopened the mine after being closed for many years. The development of the mine was under his leadership and he also worked diligently to get us through some extremely difficult times. He was most definately a man among men.  
It was indeed an honor to call him a loyal friend over all these years and I will greatly miss him and think of him often.  
I express my deepest sympathy to his family.

**Bob Rissinger** - May 31, 2010 at 08:20 PM

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“ We are so sorry to hear about the passing of your Dad. Our love and prayers are with you in this difficult time.

**Nevin & Cathie** - May 31, 2010 at 08:20 PM

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“ I worked for Sam for many years at Kocher Coal and was so very sorry to hear of his passing. He was a good man and will be missed by everyone.

Edward Kubilus

**Edward Kubilus** - May 29, 2010 at 09:03 AM