October 2019

Resident Spotlight: Peter and Lou Ella Lydon

Peter and Lou Ella Lydon are one of six couples living at Legacy Place. They moved from Duryea, Pennsylvania in August of 2018.

Peter was born on April 22, 1929 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania to Patrick and Mary Lydon. He was one of five boys! Peter’s family moved to Glasgow, Scotland when he was three years old. He remained in Scotland into adulthood. While serving in the American Air Force, Peter received an informal witness in Long Island, New York. He was baptized in 1947.

Lou Ella was born on October 28, 1927 in Tulare County, California to Herbert and Lucretia Huff. Just like Peter, Lou Ella was also one of five children. She learned the truth in her youth from her mother. Lucretia worked hard to inculcate the truth in her children. She died faithful to Jehovah with a heavenly hope. Lou Ella had the privilege of being one of the children in the audience at the 1941 convention when the book Children was released. She also traveled across the country, with her first husband and two small children, to join the more than 250,000 in attendance at the 1958 convention at Yankee Stadium. Coincidentally, Peter was also at this convention.

Peter and Lou Ella were married on October 21, 1968. This was a second marriage for both. Each have children from their first marriages. Peter has four sons; Patrick, Paul, Philip, and Perry. Lou Ella has two sons; Bryan and Neal. Peter and Lou Ella have served as full time ministers for many decades. They supported their pioneer ministry with several small businesses. The Lydons experienced Jehovah’s blessing on their ministry with the pleasure of aiding scores of people to serve Jehovah. Additionally, Peter has served as a ministerial servant or elder for many decades and has had the privilege of presenting parts in various conventions. They are a fine example of ones who have fully accomplished their ministry!

In their free time Peter can be found reading and whistling. He has also always been known for his sense of humor which continues to this day. You can always count on playful banter when talking to Peter! Lou Ella enjoys sewing, knitting and crocheting. However, the majority of the time when you stop in their room for a visit, you will see them studying the Bible.

Peter and Lou Ella consider it a privilege to spend their days surrounded by so many faithful brothers and sisters at Legacy. We consider it a privilege to have such a faithful and dedicated couple with us!
Employee of the Month

Congratulations Nohad! Thank you for always being willing to help whenever and wherever needed. Our residents in Memory Care enjoy all of the activities you work so hard to prepare!

Happy Legacy Anniversary!

September 28th marks two years of residency for Betty Burkett.

Volunteers Needed

In honor of Legacy Place Cottages’ upcoming five year anniversary, we are planning an event for 2019. If you are able to volunteer your time to assist with this event, please contact us at 484-860-3908.

Breakfast Outing!

On Thursday, October 10th our residents will have the opportunity to go to the Superior Diner for breakfast. Our activities staff will speak to all residents to see if they are interested in attending. We will provide transportation, but residents will be responsible for paying for their meal. If you would like to send money for your loved one to take to breakfast on the 10th, you can send it directly to your family member or to Jessica Robbins to hold for safekeeping.

Virginia J. Silfies: April 15, 1927-August 11, 2019

Virginia Silfies, 92, passed away on Sunday, August 11, 2019 at Legacy Place Cottages. Her husband Robert Silfies, Jr. was by her side.

Virginia was born on April 15, 1927 in Wind Gap, PA. She was the daughter of the late Earl and Helen Weidman. She was predeceased by her first husband, Paul Buskirk. In addition to her husband Robert, Virginia will be lovingly remembered by her daughters; Sondra Baier and her husband August; Ruth Mcellhenney; Cindy Kniffen and her husband Eric; 5 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; and 8 stepchildren.

Elisabeth Waldren: June 2, 1936-August 16, 2019

Elisabeth “Lisa” Waldren passed away on August 16th at 83 years of age. She was born and raised in Holland. As an adult she worked as an x-ray technician for the government traveling all over the world. She decided she would like to make the move to the United States and was able to come as a nanny. After four years as a nanny, her employer helped her find work as an x-ray technician in Philadelphia. This is where she met her future husband, Joseph Waldren. They were married in 1973.

Lisa found the truth by means of an informal witness. During a hospital stay she shared a room with a woman who was one of Jehovah’s Witnesses. Every day, the hospital would recite the Hail Mary over the loudspeaker. The Hail Mary speaks of Mary as the mother of God. Lisa’s roommate commented on the fact that this is not true. This sparked an interest in Lisa and a Bible study was started. She was baptized in the 1980s. Lisa faced opposition from her husband, but remained faithful.

Lisa was a resident of Legacy Place for over three years. She was an extremely positive and thankful resident. She would always say how much she loved Legacy and was happy to be here. We look forward to welcoming her back in the coming new world!
Pictures From Our Picnic

Gigi with family and friends

Frank and Chester with Chester’s family

Mickey with her family

Margaret with her sister

Betty with her son, Andy

Pete and Gerri

Sam visiting with Margaret and Frank

Joyce and her daughter, Mary

Employment Opportunities

Legacy Place is accepting employment applications. Stop by for an application or contact Briana at briana.snyder@legacyplace.org.

Resident Applications

We are full in both Personal Care and Memory Care! However, we will continue to accept applications for our waiting list. Please contact Meghan at meghan.dunton@legacyplace.org for more information.

Volunteering

Legacy Place appreciates what our volunteers do for our residents. We couldn’t do it without you! If you are interested in donating your time and/or talents, send an email to marie.scully@legacyplace.org.

Mailing List

If you, or someone you know, would like to receive a copy of our newsletter, please email meghan.dunton@legacyplace.org. You can request to receive your newsletter through the mail, electronically, or both!

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What Is the Charitable Care Fund?

The Charitable Care Fund was created to help current and potential residents bridge the gap between their funds and the cost of living at Legacy Place. In the state of Pennsylvania, all personal care homes are considered private pay. While Legacy Place keeps our resident rates as low as possible it is, at times, not feasible for a resident and his/her family to afford personal care. When this is the case, the resident or family member can complete an application for charitable funds. This application is reviewed by members of the Board of Directors and funds are offered when possible. In order to provide assistance to as many as possible, there is a maximum monthly amount which one resident can receive. We are currently assisting fourteen residents through this fund. Eighteen total residents have received a monthly subsidy to date.

Our residents, and their families, are extremely grateful to all who have made donations. It is our desire that this Charitable Fund will be able to continue for years to come!