100 Years of Being a Mount Wolf Resident



William A. Brown, was born on February 7, 1914, grew up, went to school (seven grades), got married, had a family, worked, went to church, went to the doctor, went to Senior Center, served in the community, and died peacefully on March 23, 2014 all while living in Mount Wolf. Except for his service in the U.S. Army during WWII, his life here in Mount Wolf truly spanned 100 years.

His father Charles Brown was born in Manchester in 1889. His father married Annie Rauhouser and they moved to Fourth Street Mt Wolf before the birth of his brother Cletus in 1911. William married Ruth C. Leash whom he was married to for 54 years. He had a son William E. Brown (who still lives in Mount Wolf) and a daughter Sandra Haase, living in Shiloh. He has three grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

In 1951, William was working in the wire cloth factory when one day he was called to the office. His father, Charles, was also working at the same factory but in a different building. He was told that his father was changing cloth to work on when suddenly he fell over dead from a heart attack. His mother passed away in 1992.

William moved three times in his life, but all within a few blocks, to Fourth Street, Chestnut Street and Sixth Street. He was a faithful life time member of Otterbein Church where he served the Lord faithfully. He worked at the Mount Wolf Wire Cloth for 31 years and he worked for the Borough of Mount Wolf for a few years. He delivered Meals on Wheels for 13 years for the Senior Center also located in Mount Wolf. He loved to ride the train and trolley car when they came to Mount Wolf. He, also, loved to go hunting and fishing, walking his dog, doing things with his family, friends, church and community.

We honor William A. Brown for being a great citizen to our community for 100 years.