

# Linden McKinley Newsletter





### LINDEN'S FIRST CHAMPS REUNITE

Linden McKinley's 1946 football team, along with coaching staff, gathered for the school's 25th reunion Thursday night at Suburban East on S. Hamilton

Nelson Slaughter, Assistant Coach Francis Rudy; second row—Jack Guyseelman, Bob Potts, Joe Dobyas; third row—Clyde Wright, Wes Belcher, Clarence Mills; fourth row—Neil Dufore, Ed Zoor, Dick



## Comments and Observations

How many of you grew up in families that ate smelts every New Year's to insure prosperity in the coming months? Has anyone other than my wife ever heard of brizi brazi bread?

## LM Trivia Pursuit

Teacher Dick Weber graduated from ??? High School

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Last Month's Question: *When did LM win its first City League Championship in football? What was special about the team that year?* The year was 1945 ... As the story goes, after the war a bunch of Linden guys returned to high school instead of going to work ... They went out for football and played much younger opponents ... The rest, as they say, is history ...

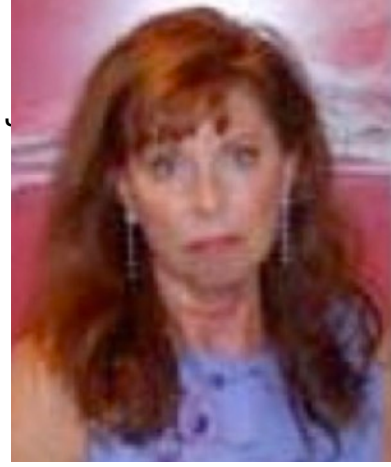


Go, Panthers

## Link Du Jour

Click on link: Wonder what's she's doing tonight?

## In Memoriam



### Obituary for "Sue" Clara Susan Weate

Clara Sue Weate, 79, of Summerville, wife of Gary L. Weate, passed away on Thursday, January 27, 2022 at Roper Berkeley.

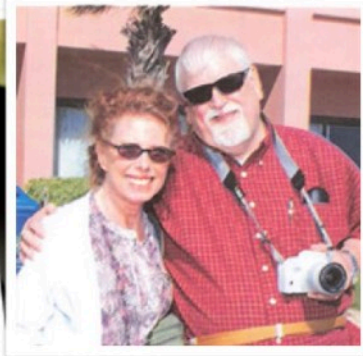
Family and friends are invited to attend her visitation on Sunday, February 6, 2022 from 2 o'clock to 3 o'clock at James A. Dyal Funeral Home. A funeral service will begin at 3 o'clock at James A. Dyal Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will be at another date at Beaufort National Cemetery.

Flowers will be accepted or memorials may be made to St. Timothy's Anglican Church, P.O. Box 3289, Summerville, SC 29484 or <https://st-timothys.churchcenter.com/giving/to/sue-weate-memorial>.

Sue was born on July 1, 1942 in Columbus, OH, daughter of the late Lyle Norman and Mary Elizabeth Preest. She was a tiny lady but a powerful prayer warrior with a strong faith. She was full of peace and joy. Her face glowed with her love for Jesus and strengthened others. Some of the things she would say "When we fill the atmosphere around us with praise, it makes it possible for God to dwell in that atmosphere where we are. It brings the presence of God right down to the place where we are. -Derek Prince". A scripture she reflected on was Isaiah 40:29 - He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. Because without God's strength she wouldn't have been able to fight this long and this hard. She stood for Jesus and she was strong in the Lord.

Survivors in addition to her husband Gary are: four children: Paul "PJ" Joseph Rooney (Blanca), De Culberson (Carl), Eric Weate and Peter Weate (Allison); grandchildren: Joshua Culberson, Nathaniel (Tara), Elijah (Jessica), Daisy Rooney, Kendahl Weate, Linda, Chris; great grandchildren: Emmanuel, Alexander, Max, Liam, Luke, Charlie, Maria.

A memorial message may be written to the family by visiting our website at [www.jamesadyal.com](http://www.jamesadyal.com).  
ARRANGEMENTS BY JAMES A. DYAL FUNERAL HOME, 303 SOUTH MAIN STREET,  
SUMMERVILLE, SC 29483 (843)873-4040.



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Ronald L. Thompson, "Toad" age 85, of Westerville, OH, passed away peacefully on Friday, December 1, 2023, surrounded by his loving family. He was born on February 1, 1938, in Columbus Ohio. Ron graduated from Linden McKinley High School, Class of 1956. He excelled in baseball and football at Linden. He was a proud veteran of the United States Army. Ron married the love of his life; Andrea "Sue" in 1963. Rons' career in the beverage business spanned over 40 years. He worked for 7-Up/RC and finished his career with Pepsi. Ron received many awards while at Pepsi including "Dr. Pepper's National Salesman of the year". Ron had an instrumental role in fund raising for the Central Ohio Diabetes Association as well as the Archie Griffin Scholarship Fund. Ron was well known and liked in his profession and had worked his way up from loading trucks to advertisement and sales. Ron truly loved the relationships built and lifelong friendships created throughout his career. Ron was a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and friend to many. Ron enjoyed family gatherings, attending kids and grandkids sporting events and family vacations. Ron and Sue were fortunate to travel the world. In retirement, Ron enjoyed working on his wood sign projects and bird houses. A dedicated Buckeye Fan, Ron enjoyed attending every home game for many years. Ron was once deemed "Fan of the Week" by Scarlet and Gray. Ron had a special booth at the Varsity Club and often stood up on a table to lead "Give me an O!" He enjoyed traveling to away OSU games with family, colleagues and a very special group of friends named the "Cronies" of which Ron was considered the "Grand Po-Paw". Ron loved the Cleveland Indians and Browns and along with family attended many games with the "Oak Hill Gang" from which he will be missed. Ron is often described as one-of-a-kind. Ron had a full life. Ron raced cars, played semi-pro football for 7 years with Pope's Inn as part of the 1962 undefeated champions of the Buckeye League, boxed in the Golden Gloves, golfed and belonged to the Sky-Dive Parachute Club where he enjoyed the adrenaline rush of jumping out of airplanes. Ron had an art and drawing talent and enjoyed decorating for holidays, especially Halloween. He liked scary movies, the History Channel and Judge Judy. He had a taste for white castles, milkshakes and pizza. He enjoyed sitting on his porch with a cold bud light and a big cigar. Ron had a deep love for animals. Ron is survived by his daughter, Amy Powers (Mike) of Marysville, daughter, Sherie Lowe (Mark McKibben) of Westerville, son Ron Thompson (Nicole) of Lewis Center, 6 grandchildren including Michael Powers (Erin), Steve Powers (Jamie), Tommy Powers (Amber), Matthew Lowe (Abbie), Andrea Myers (Matt) and Adam Lowe, 11 great grandchildren and one great-great granddaughter, brother-in-law, Michael McNerney, sister-in-law, Marty McNerney, nieces, nephew and his loyal companion, "Tank" whom is now in the care of his loving granddaughter, Andrea. Ron was preceded in death by his parents, Lucille Thompson (Bateman) and John L. Thompson, sister Linda Hamner (Dana "Frog"), mother and father-in-law, Edna and William McNerney, and his precious baby daughters, Rhonda Sue and Faith Ann. Ron was a Christian and we are confident he is in heaven. Family will receive friends on Thursday, December 7th, 2023, from 2pm until 4pm and 5pm until 8pm at Schoedinger Funeral home in Worthington, OH, 6699 North High St., Worthington OH, 43085. Funeral service will be held Friday, December 8, 2023, at 11am, at Schoedinger funeral home. Interment will follow at the Resurrection cemetery. In the spirit of "Toad", please feel free to wear OSU colors at the calling hours. The family would like to extend special thanks for the exceptional care provided by the Mt. Carmel Hospice team and compassionate staff at the Landings of Westerville. The family requests no flowers and in lieu of, memorial contributions may be made to Mt. Carmel Hospice (1144 Dublin Road, Columbus, Ohio, 43215), the Lymphoma and Leukemia Society at [LLS.org](http://LLS.org) or (LLS Ohio River Valley P.O. Box 22443 NY, NY 10087-2443) or the Archie Griffin Scholarship Fund (c/o Lowell Dencer 6740 Worthington Road, Westerville, OH 43082). Please visit [www.schoedinger.com](http://www.schoedinger.com) to leave a special memory or condolence. Arrangements have been entrusted to the SCHOEDINGER WORTHINGTON funeral home.



Diane M. Hockman of Columbus, OH passed away peacefully on November 22, 2023 in her sleep. Diane MacDonald was born January 2, 1941 in Columbus to Leiter and Mary MacDonald. Diane attended her elementary years in Upper Arlington and Pittsburgh. She graduated from Linden McKinley High School in 1958. Diane married W. Michael Hockman on August 18, 1962 at Trinity United Methodist Church in Grandview. Diane graduated from the Ohio State University with multiple degrees: Dental Hygiene Certificate (1963), Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology (1972), and a Masters of Science in Allied Medical Professions (1974). She also is a graduate of Capital University Law School (1978) with a Juris Doctor degree and passed the bar shortly afterwards. Prior to launching a second career in law, Diane was an Assistant Professor in the College of Dentistry, Division of Dental Hygiene at the Ohio State University for 15 years. After law school, Diane worked for the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio in the Legal and Utility Departments as the Chief of Telecommunications for many years. She later joined the law firm of Porter, Wright, Morris, and Arthur and specialized in Telecommunications where she championed de-regulation, competition, and innovation that ultimately created an environment for the bundling of telephony, internet and television (cable) for the benefit of consumers. Diane was preceded in death by her parents and infant brother Brian, and brother-in-law Jon Christopher. Diane is survived by her loving husband of 61 years Michael and her children Michelle (Laura) of Fort Myers, FL, Todd (Heather) of Bexley, and Tyler (Jenny) of Dublin, and four amazing grandchildren Rex, Ellis, Lyla, and Meredith Hockman. She is survived by brother-in-law Jeff (Mixie) of Bloomfield Hills, MI, sister-in-laws Sarah (David Hassler) of Lisbon, Portugal and Beverly of Canal Winchester, and many nieces and nephews. Diane lived a full life. She was a voracious reader, loved crossword puzzles, travel, singing, telling jokes and was a gourmet cook. She was a fierce advocate for her family and friends, and gave her time to worthwhile causes for which she was passionate. She held various offices with her beloved sorority Kappa Kappa Gamma on the House Board. She was president of the Ohio Veterinary Medical Association Auxilliary. She was a member of First Community Church with Michael, as well as, Guild Group 7, Twig 53, the Friends of the Columbus Symphony, Canterbury Unit and the Worthington Women's Club. She belonged to several book clubs that she enjoyed as well. A Celebration of Life service will be held at SCHOEDINGER NORTHWEST, 1740 Zollinger Road, Upper Arlington, OH on Saturday, February 24, 2024 at 1 PM with a gathering for friends and family afterwards. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to:

Dr. W. Michael Hockman(Diane) Endowed Fund #643230 of the College of Veterinary Medicine Office of Advancement, The Ohio State University, 1900 Coffey Road Columbus, OH 42210 or Friends of the Columbus Symphony Orchestra, 55 East State Street, Columbus, OH 43215 or

Kappa Kappa Gamma Foundation, 6640 Riverside Drive, Suite 200, Dublin, OH 43017. To share memories or condolences, please visit [www.schoedinger.com](http://www.schoedinger.com).