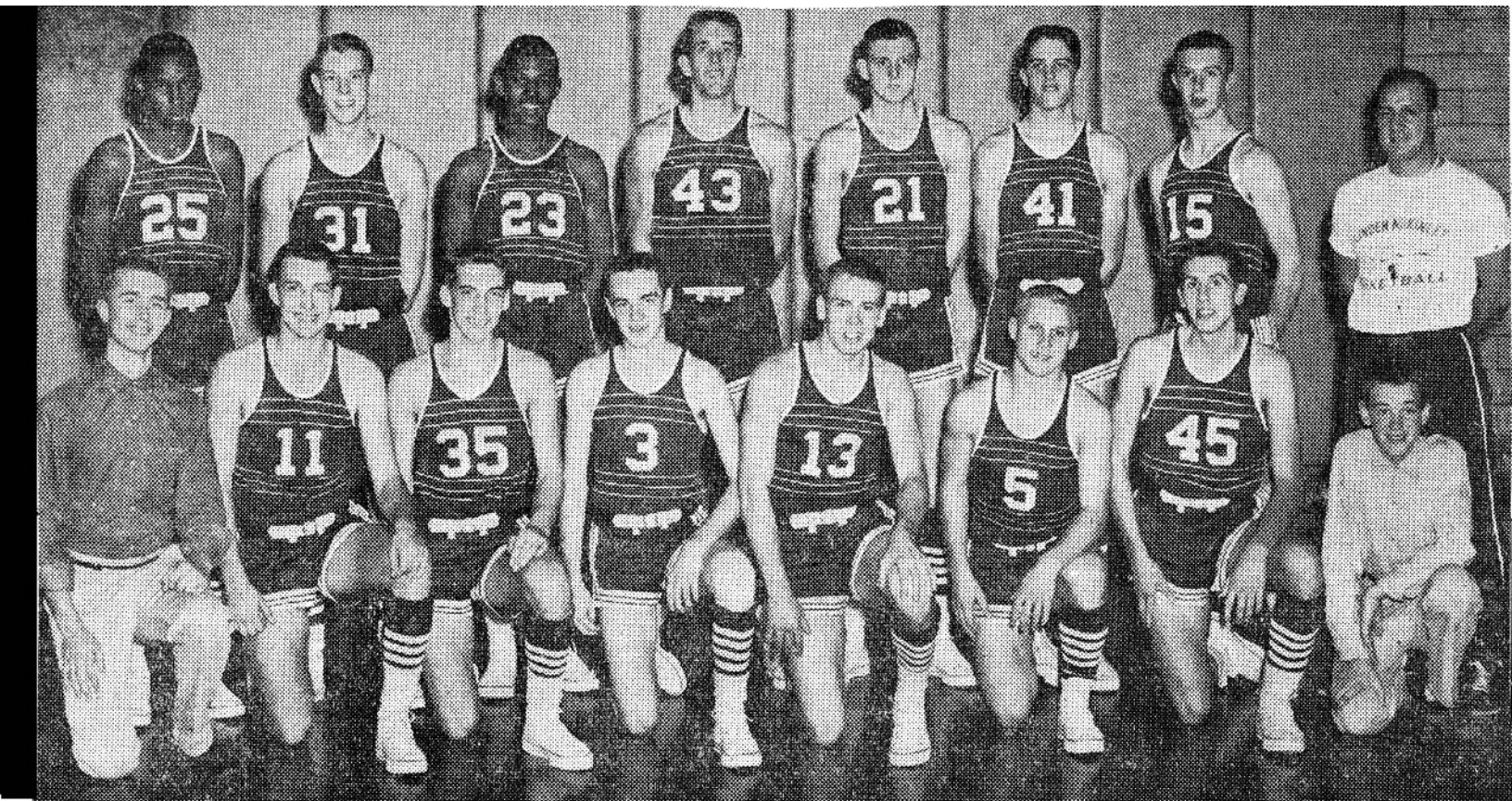


# Linden McKinley HS



## ***L-M HOST TO GRANDVIEW CAGE TEAM SATURDAY***

Linden-McKinley cagers will open their home season this Saturday night against Grandview's quintet. Game time is 7 p. m. for reserves with the varsity tilt set for 8 p. m. The Panthers defeated Grove City, 57-41, on the Greyhounds' court Tuesday night. Bill Spahr bagged 18 points. The Linden reserves defeated Grove City 31-21. Panther team members are, left to right, standing, Tom

Bowman, Ron Farington, Rudy Fadis, John Burleson, John Schaub, Vernon Wright, Dick Trautman and Coach Chickerella; kneeling, Robert Gruetter, manager, Gar Bates, John Burke, Cliff Smith, Ron Burkey, Harry Kesterson, Dick Zimmer and Joe Kelley, manager. Not pictured is Bill Spahr, captain. Coach Chickerella says this year's team has good size and fair team speed.



# Reunion Committee – 2016



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## Comments and Observations

I've started to organize my archive of vintage LM photos in preparation for donating them to the Columbus Public Library Digital Collection ... A Digital Collection librarian has already agreed to take them ... So, we'll see what happens going forward ...

## LM Trivia Pursuit

*Who was the only sophomore on the '57-season varsity football team?*

Last Month's Question: *What LM teacher was an Otterbein University Hall of Famer who was likely the best running back in that school's football history ... Ken Zarbaugh*



Go, Panthers

## Link Du Jour

Click on link: "I'm So Excited"

## In Memoriam



## Patricia Ann Kessler

JANUARY 23, 1937 - MARCH 13, 2024

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Patricia Ann Kessler, 87, of Johnstown, passed away on Wednesday, March 13, 2024. Pat was born on Jan. 23, 1937, in Columbus, Ohio, daughter to the late Betty Ricketts. She was raised lovingly by her mom and two aunts, Elsie and Pauline Hummel.

Pat was a graduate of Linden-McKinley High School and attended Capital University, where she was a 1957 homecoming queen and a 1958 graduate with a bachelor's degree in education. After graduation, she briefly taught and coached tennis at Upper Arlington High School before coming to the Johnstown-Monroe School District, where she taught at Johnstown High School for 35 years. Pat's life's work was in the noble profession of education. During her influential teaching career, she shaped minds, nurtured potential, inspired others, and molded generations of students. She was dedicated to making an impact on young people's lives as a teacher, coach, mentor, producer, and director. And her influence was felt beyond the classroom, as she was notable for her leadership in numerous extra-curricular activities such as proms, school plays and variety shows. Pat was also the architect and designer of Johnstown's original mascot, the Johnnie.

Pat was a leader in the community as well, producing and directing local residents in numerous variety shows at the Johnstown Opera House and Performing Arts Center. For the Johnstown Recreation Center, she was pivotal in raising funds to build the center's original tennis courts and established an inaugural community tennis league.

Pat remained active in her retirement years with landscaping, sewing, quilting, embroidering, jigsaw puzzles, and tapestry coloring. Everything she did was of meticulous detail and exquisite beauty. She had a love for dogs (especially Portuguese Water Dogs) as they were her spirit animal, embodying her own qualities of loyalty, protection, and unconditional love. Pat was a quiet but intense competitor who loved sports. She was a passionate supporter of her sons' and grandsons' athletic endeavors.

While Pat had an indelible impact on the lives of many, her greatest impact was on her family. She is loved and survived by her husband of 65 years, Charles Kessler. They married in 1958 and came to Johnstown together where they committed their careers to the Johnstown-Monroe School District and became lifelong residents of the community. Pat is also loved and survived by her two sons, Jeff (Kim) and John (Shellie); grandchildren, Lindsay (Jeff) Pollack, Matt (Nattada), Daniel (Sarah), Michael (Cassandra), and Drew (Jessica); and seven great-grandchildren. Pat's passion for education, athletics, music, and the arts will leave an enduring impression on her entire family and everyone she touched.

Per Pat's wishes, there will be no public services. In lieu of funeral services and to celebrate both Pat and Chuck's commitment to education, a foundation is being established to award college scholarships to Johnstown High-School graduates who aspire to be teachers and major in education. Contributions may be made to the:

Charles & Patricia Kessler Foundation

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## Obituary for Ruth I. Elliott

Ruth I. Elliott, age 82, passed away peacefully at her beloved Care Center (Carriage Court in Grove City) on Friday, June 30, 2023. She is preceded in death by her parents, Helen Brown and Lloyd Robinson; step parents, William Hartman and June Robinson; brother, Terry Robinson; and husband, Tom of 49 years of marriage. She is survived by her four children, whom she raised in Dublin, Ohio, Kimberly (Scott) Hoy, Jeffrey (Colleen) Miesse, Craig Elliott, and Kristin (Michael) Edwards; four grandchildren, Clay Miesse, Chelsea Hoy, Sara Edwards and Joseph Edwards; two sisters, Deborah Hartman and Connie Iguchi. Ruth was born on June 6, 1941 and is a graduate of Linden-McKinley High School class of 1959. Ruth was a member of Jerome United Methodist Church. Ruth enjoyed spending time with her family and friends, especially her children and grandchildren. She enjoyed collecting snowmen and owls, coloring with her pencils in her adult coloring books, reading, eating and drinking her favorite foods consisting of milkshakes, ruffled potato chips, and Jujubes Candy. She enjoyed celebrating the holidays, especially Christmas with her family. Funeral Service will be held at 1:00 pm Monday, July 10, 2023 at Rutherford Funeral Home at Powell, 450 West Olentangy Street, Powell, Ohio 43065 where the family will receive friends from 2:00 to 5:00 pm on Sunday. Burial: Oller Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be contributed in her memory to: Vitas Hospice at 655 Metro Place S. #770 Dublin, Ohio 43017.