

Obituary of Arthur T. Mellinger



**Arthur T. Mellinger**

Arthur T. "Art" Mellinger, 96, of Ephrata, PA and formerly of New Holland, PA, passed away on Thursday, January 19, 2012 at Ephrata Manor. His wife, the late Annie Mellinger, passed away on February 7, 2008.

Art was born in New Holland on September 19, 1915. He was a longtime resident of Ephrata and worked at the former Dutchmaid Clothing Company as a Sewing Machine Repairman. He was also a longtime member of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church and the Ephrata Pioneer Fire Company.

Art was a dedicated fireman who remained calm and efficient in the heat of a fire call and was well-liked and respected by his fellow firefighters.

After joining the Pioneer Fire Company in February of 1940, Art served as Fire Chief for 11 years from 1949-60. He was also a driver for many years and served as a trustee for 5 years.

He was instrumental in forming Zone 1 Firemen's Association and served as its first president.

He served on a committee to engineer the design for building the 1952 Dodge pumper which answered its first fire call on Jan. 29, 1953.

Art also played a large role in the company's purchase of the 1955 Seagrave 85-foot aerial truck.

When he reached 65 years of service, which happened to be on his 90th birthday, the firemen held a special celebration for him at Ephrata Manor where he resided.

Art is survived by several grandchildren, great grandchildren, and nieces and nephews.

Friends will be received at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 167 E. Main St., Ephrata, PA 17522 from 1-2 p.m. on Tues., January 24, 2012. Funeral services will follow at 2 p.m. with the Reverend Henry E. Herberner officiating. Place of interment will be Memory Gardens, E. Cocalico Twp. PA.

Donations in Art's memory may be directed to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church at the above address or to the Ephrata Pioneer Fire Company, 135 S. State St., Ephrata, PA 17522.

To offer your condolences visit [gravenorhomeforfunerals.com](http://gravenorhomeforfunerals.com)

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# 1-5 FIRE CHIEF ARTHUR MELLINGER'S FUNERAL

1/24/2012

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# 3	East Main Street & Lake Street	1	1	2-10-1	No	-
# 4	Main Street & State Street	<i>Traffic 2-8</i>		<i>Traffic 2-8</i>	No	-
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# 5	South State Street & Fulton Street	1	2	2-8 F.P.	No	-
# 6	Fulton Street & West Main Street	1	1	2-10-2	No	-
# 7	Martin Ave. & West Main Street	<i>Squad 6-6-2</i>		<i>Squad 6-6-2</i>	No	-
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# 8	Route 272 N (at top of entrance ramp)	1	1	2-1-9	No	-
# 9	Rte. 272 & Martin Ave. (by McDonald's)	<i>Traffic 3-13</i>		<i>Traffic 3-13</i>	No	-
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# 10 ?	Rte. 272 @ ECH traffic light	1	1		No	-
# 11	Rte. 272 @ traffic light (by Burger King)	1	2	1-3 F.P.	No	-
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# 13 ?	Rte. 272 @ traffic light @ New Joy Road (by Ephrata Cancer Center)	1	1		No	
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# 15	Rte. 272 & Garden Spot Road (Green Dragon sign on right)	1	1	1-7 F.P.	No	-
# 16	Rte. 272 & Wabash Road	1	1	1-7 F.P.	No	
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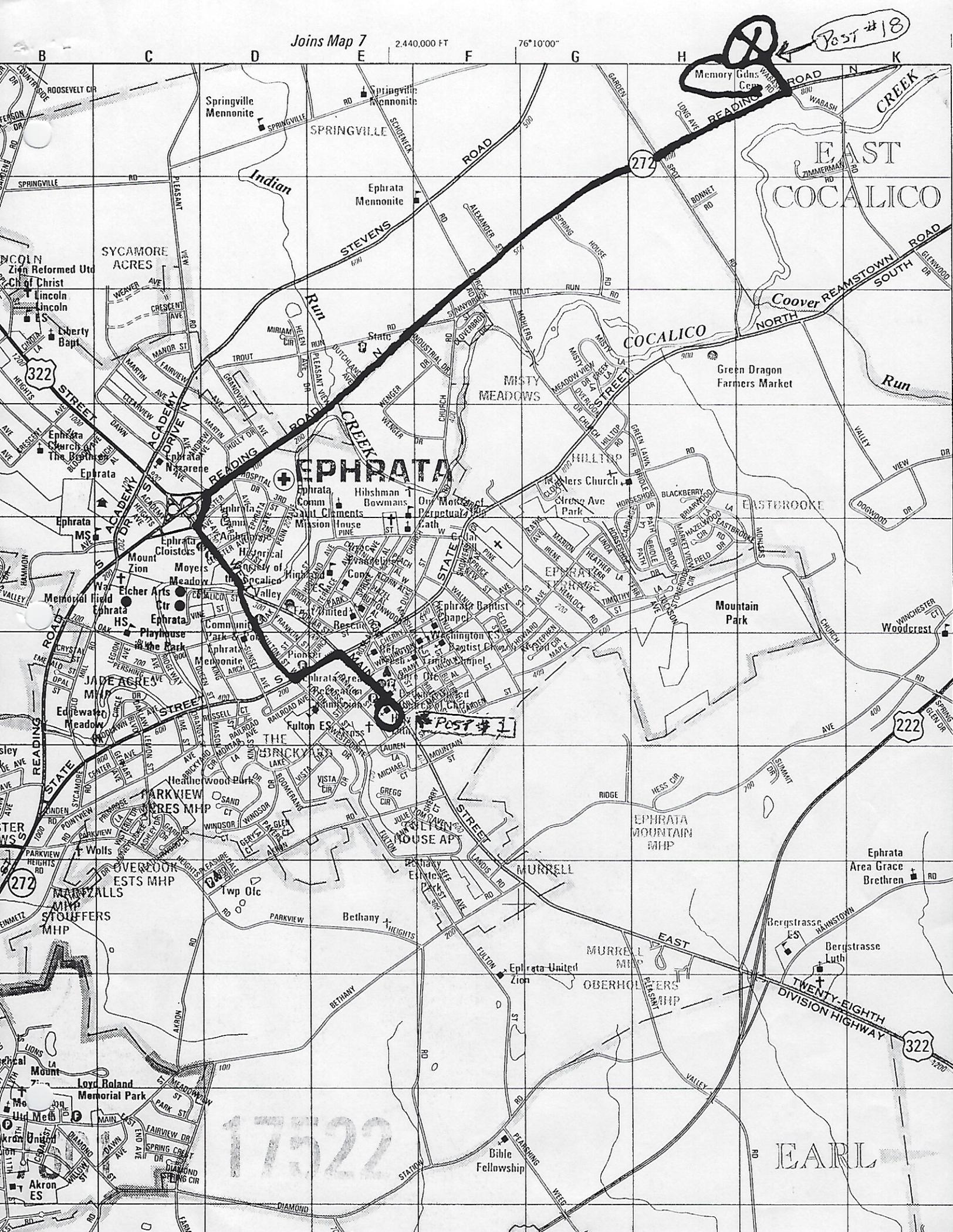
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LANCASTER COUNTY FIRE POLICE TASK FORCE



February 10, 2012

Neffsville Volunteer Fire Police (Station 207)  
P.O. Box 5404  
Lancaster, PA 17606

Dear Fellow Fire Police Officers,

On behalf of the Lancaster County Fire Police Task Force (LCFPTF) and the Emergency Agency Support Team (E.A.S.T.), we want to sincerely thank your organization for providing assistance at Mr. Arthur Mellinger's funeral in Ephrata on Tuesday, January 24<sup>th</sup>.

Thanks to the combined efforts of all Fire Police Officers present that day, all went smoothly and many compliments have been received. Together, we made Mr. Mellinger's funeral procession a first rate procession.

Our sincere thanks and appreciation are extended to your organization for all of your time and talents that were displayed that day.

Sincerely,

*Bob Lamb*

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Lancaster County Fire Police Task Force  
Emergency Agency Support Team

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