TRIBUTE TO DANIEL PULINSKI AND STEPHANIE URBANZCKY ON THEIR 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

HON. BRIAN HIGGINS
OF NEW YORK
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, July 9, 2013

Mr. HIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Mr. Daniel B. Pulinski and Mrs. Stephanie M. Urbanczyk, lifelong residents of Lackawanna, on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary.

The couple was wed on August 10, 1963 in a ceremony at St. Michael's Church, now Queen of Angels, in Lackawanna, New York. Daniel attended St. Barbara's elementary school and St. Francis High School, after which he nobly enlisted in the United States Army. After his service, he worked in the Bethlehem Steel works through the ranks to become a foreman. A dedicated family man, Daniel worked several more jobs to support his wife and children after the plant closed. He retired after working as a custodian in the auto tech division of Erie Community College.

Stephanie attended St. Michael's elementary school and Lackawanna High School. After completing her education, she became a secretary for a Buffalo insurance company. While starting a family, she became a stay-at-home mother for a few years, returning to work at Hills Department Store. The store became Ames, where she rose to the position of Manager. Stephanie continues to work to this day, currently at Dollar General.

Daniel and Stephanie raised four children together, Anita, Ronald, Denise, and Daniel. They are grandparents to eight beautiful grandchildren: Stephanie, Alanna, James, Rebecca, Danielle, Brandon, Nicholas, and Matthew.

The couple enjoys spending family time with their grandchildren and traveling across the globe with their many friends. They continue to reside in Lackawanna, and are still active in Queen of Angels Church and the Buffalo Polish community.

Mr. Speaker, it is a great honor for me to offer my sincerest congratulations to Daniel, Stephanie, and their family on this most joyous occasion. I ask my colleagues to join me in acknowledging their commitment to each other as they celebrate their Golden Anniversary, and offer our best wishes for continued happiness.

TRIBUTE ON THE 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY OF MR. AND MRS. ANDREW SEWELL

HON. TERRI A. SEWELL
OF ALABAMA
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Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and pay tribute on the occasion of the 50th wedding anniversary of Andrew and Nancy Sewell, my beloved parents who celebrated this special event on July 2, 2013. This phenomenal couple celebrates love, marriage and family on this momentous occasion that began on June 15, 1963. They instilled family values to so many others as well to me. This golden wedding anniversary is a special day and it marks a half of a century of commitment and love for one another. We honor this milestone of marriage and a life well lived together.

Their love story begins with the attraction of an outstanding football player in college who was Captain of the team to his beautiful classmate Nancy. My father says lovingly that my mother met him on the steps of the library and that she barely gave him the time of day. He remembers being drawn to her outer beauty as well as inner beauty noting her friendly spirit. He also said that she was studious. My mother recalls that my father was “the jock of the campus” and especially remembers that he was athletic and gregarious.

After graduating college, their romance blossomed in the summer of 1961 when Andrew was recruited as the Head Coach for Council Training School in Huntsville, Alabama. His future bride was already employed at the school as the Head Librarian. When Andrew saw Nancy in the Library on the school tour before he signed the contract he immediately knew that he wanted to work there telling the principal yes, he would take the job! The romance led to a Valentine’s Day marriage proposal in 1962 as Andrew asked for Nancy’s hand in marriage at the Old American Legion Club in Huntsville, Alabama. Prior to the proposal as was custom, my father asked permission for my mother’s hand in marriage which he nobly enlisted in the United States Army. After his service, he worked in the Bethle-heim Steel works through the ranks to become a foreman. A dedicated family man, Daniel worked several more jobs to support his wife and children after the plant closed. He retired after working as a custodian in the auto tech division of Erie Community College.

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