

came to New York to marry Jacob, and they were happily married for over 50 years. In New York, they started their family, raising two children: Diana and Kenneth. Bernice is now the proud grandmother to four grandchildren and a beloved GG to six great-grandchildren.

Bernice is truly ahead of her time and is known for her determination, hard work and incredible work ethic. Bernice is an inspirational woman who always took pride in her work and always made time to give back to her community, including volunteering at NYU hospital in the rehabilitation room.

Madam Speaker, I ask all my colleagues to join me in celebrating the life of Bernice Rosenblum, and in wishing her a happy 100th birthday.

IN RECOGNITION OF WALTER FISK  
ON HIS INDUCTION INTO THE  
LUZERNE COUNTY SPORTS HALL  
OF FAME

**HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 10, 2019*

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor former athlete, coach, and Northeastern Pennsylvania native Walter Fisk. This year, Walter was inducted into the Luzerne County Sports Hall of Fame on August 11, 2019 for his distinct athletic achievements in the sport of wrestling.

Each year, the Luzerne County Sports Hall of Fame honors those who have brought fame and recognition to the state of Pennsylvania through their outstanding achievements and contributions in athletic endeavors.

Walter is a 1981 graduate of Lycoming College where he was captain of the wrestling team under the direction of the legendary National Wrestling Coach Hall of Fame Coach Bud Whitehall. After college, Walter began his coaching career at Sayre Youth Wrestling before taking the coaching post at Wyalusing Junior High. In 1986, he was named the head coach of the Wyalusing varsity wrestling team. Walter coached the Wyalusing Rams to 12 league championships, 9 Sectional, 6 District IV, and 6 Regional team titles. They also clinched the State Team Championship three times and were State Team runner-up twice. Alumni of his wrestling program include 83 Sectional, 27 District, and 21 Regional champions as well as 33 Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association (PIAA) medalists, and 7 State champions. Six of those PIAA medals were earned by his sons, Josh and Matt.

In his tireless dedication to wrestling, Walter has held several leadership positions to promote the sport. During his tenure as head coach, he has been District IV Coaches' Association President, Pennsylvania Wrestling Coaches Association (PWCA) President, Executive Committee member and Convention Committee Chair, National Collegiate Wrestling Association (NWCA) State Representative, BRUTE National Wrestling Tournament Event Director, and REACHES Executive Director and PWCA Convention Chairman.

In recognition for his superior and successful career, Walter has been inducted into the Sayre High School, Wyalusing High School, Northern Tier League, Northeast Section, Dis-

trict IV, PA Wrestling Coaches' and the National Wrestling Halls of Fame. In 1997, 1999, and 2000, Walter was named the PIAA State Wrestling Coach of the Year, and in 2000, he was recognized for his unparalleled leadership ability as the National High School Wrestling Coach of the Year. In 2004, he was honored as Pennsylvania Wrestling/Wrestling USA Man of the Year. When Walter retired as head coach in 2005, his career record at Wyalusing was 297–52–1. Unable to resist the draw of the mat and the quest for athletic success, he returned to coach the junior varsity team in 2011 and continues to do so today.

It is an honor to recognize Walter on his induction into the Luzerne County Sports Hall of Fame. May his story and athletic career serve as an inspiration to the next generation of Pennsylvania athletes striving for excellence.

RECOGNIZING THE 90TH ANNIVERSARY  
OF THE MUSKINGUM IRON  
AND METAL COMPANY

**HON. TROY BALDERSON**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 10, 2019*

Mr. BALDERSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the time-honored work of Muskingum Iron and Metal Company, located in my hometown of Zanesville, Ohio. Ten days from now, on September 19th, the fourth-generation, family-operated scrap recycling facility will celebrate ninety years of serving Zanesville and the surrounding community.

For nine decades, Muskingum Iron and Metal has delivered on its promise to provide the highest level of quality, service, and integrity for its customers. The company's devotion to high standards and values is evident to everyone throughout our community.

Family owned-and-operated businesses like Muskingum Iron and Metal are foundational to the small communities that make up Ohio. Our state's vibrant economy could not survive without these family-run engines of innovation and job creation. Muskingum Iron and Metal represents the pinnacle of Ohio's small businesses, spurring growth and driving our economy forward.

Muskingum Iron and Metal can confidently attribute its nine successful decades in operation to the dedication and determination of its employees. I thank them for the company's longstanding influence within Zanesville, and for their part in propelling Ohio's economy and job market.

Today, Muskingum Iron and Metal can reflect on its honorable legacy and look forward to a prosperous future. I am confident its impact will continue to last for generations to come.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE LATE EDWARD LEONARD "SHOVELS" KOBESKY ON HIS INDUCTION INTO THE LUZERNE COUNTY SPORTS HALL OF FAME

**HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 10, 2019*

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor former athlete and North-

eastern Pennsylvania native, Edward Leonard "Shovels" Kobesky. This year, Shovels was inducted into the Luzerne County Sports Hall of Fame at the 35th annual dinner on August 11, 2019 for his distinct athletic achievements in the sport baseball.

Each year, the Luzerne County Sports Hall of Fame honors those who have brought fame and recognition to the state of Pennsylvania through their outstanding achievements and contributions in athletic endeavors.

Shovels was born in Scranton, Pennsylvania and received his nickname as a child because he was always carrying a pail with several small shovels. After playing high school and semi-professional baseball, Shovels joined the Bearded House of David barnstorming team. The House of David was a spiritual society which emphasized participation in sports, especially baseball, to foster spiritual and physical discipline. He then became a player and manager of the East Shore League Salisbury Cardinals. He led the league with nearly 20 home runs and helped them claim victory in the playoffs. After this impressive season, Shovels was promoted to Class A Elmira where he had a batting average of .289 and hit a career high of 11 triples.

In 1942, he was picked up by the Buffalo Bisons, the Triple-A affiliate of the Toronto Blue Jays. As one of the most impressive minor league players of his time, Edward hit a .300 batting average eight times, including two consecutive seasons hitting .390. During his career, he had a batting average of .328, 26 home runs, and 129 RBIs. In 1943, he led the International League with 18 home runs. Between 1942 and 1944, he averaged over 24 homeruns.

As his career drew to a close, he moved to a class B team in New Jersey where he led the league managing an impressive .390 batting average and 21 homeruns. Following this standout season, he moved back up to Class A in 1949 to play with the Batavia Indians where he finished his career. In 1951, he hit a final grand-slam homerun in the bottom of the ninth, winning the game for Batavia. This grand-slam brought him the final win of his career.

Shovels developed lung cancer which caused him to watch the rest of his career from the bench. In 1952, at the age of 38, he died in Greenwood, PA. For his influence on the sport, the Class A PONY (Pennsylvania, Ontario, New York) League has since established the Kobesky Award in his honor.

It is an honor to recognize Shovels on his induction into the Luzerne County Sports Hall of Fame. May his story and athletic career serve as an inspiration to the next generation of Pennsylvania athletes striving for excellence.

HONORING THE LIFE OF DONALD FRANCIS WOOD

**HON. JIM BANKS**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 10, 2019*

Mr. BANKS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life of Mr. Donald Francis Wood; a life marked by grace, humility and patriotism. Don was an accomplished Hoosier, father, businessman, and patriot.