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Survivors include a son, Martin J. Benelli, Jr., of Pittsburg; a daughter, Mary Polfer of Tulsa, Okla.; a sister, Ann Fager of Girard; five grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, Henry and Tony Kunshek, Jr.

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