

With a sad heart the Council of Baltimore Ravens Roosts would like to inform its members and the entire Ravens nation of the passing of Jean Luckabaugh a founding member of Colts Corral #1, aka Ravens Roost #1. Without her guidance and help, the Council would not be where it is today. Below is information regarding a memorial service, as well as the History of Colts Corral #1 / Roost #1.



Jean Luckabaugh ,age 81,died on Dec.15th,2017 at home after a short illness. She is survived by her sister, Betty Raymond and sisters in law,Betty M Luckabaugh and Marcia Luckabaugh. Also by her 10 beloved nieces and nephews.Interrment will be at Ascension Lutheran Church in Towson on January 20th at 1PM. In lieu of flowers send donations to American Heart or American Cancer Societies.

FROM THE BEGINNING

Ravens Roost No.1 started in 1957 as Colts Corral #1. Under the leadership of Leo Novak and Ed Loud, and along with the blessings of Don Kellett, general manager, and Ray Gilland of the Baltimore Colts, the era of the Baltimore Football Fan Club was birthed. The first official meeting was May 18, 1957 at Hahn's Hall on Washington and Jefferson Streets in Baltimore City. Meetings were held twice monthly during the football season, and once monthly during the off-season. Some of the famous visitors to the Corral meetings in the early years included Don

Kellett, Weeb Eubank, Joe Croghan, L.G. Dupre, John Steadman, Johnny Unitas, Art Donovan, Bailey Goss, Joe Bellino, and other players on the Navy football team.

In October 1957, Colts Corral #2 was formed with Hurst Loudenslager as president. 'Loudy' as he was known, was instrumental in the formation of the Council of Colts Corrals in 1964. 'Loudy' was a Colts fan icon in the 60's and 70's. By July 1959 the football fervor had grown to four Corrals.

In 1961 Corral #1 had its first Annual Appreciation Dinner for the Colts Head Coach Weeb Eubank and his coaching staff. This event continued for many years.

During the late 1950's, 1960's and early 1970's, Colts Corral #1 was a leader in booking trips to out of town games by charter airplane, bus, or train. Members could earn free trips by selling a set number of raffle tickets. As a result many members were able to attend games via this method. Cities visited over the years included Chicago, Cleveland, Detroit, Minneapolis, Green Bay, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Boston, New York, Washington D.C., Houston, Dallas, Los Angeles, Miami, and New Orleans. Several of these cities were visited many times.

During the lean years of 1983 to 1996, after the Baltimore Colts left town, the Corrals supported other football activities such as: The Baltimore Stars, and the Baltimore Stallions of the Canadian Football League. "It was different attending football games in the heat of July and August", Jean says, "but we reveled in haing two Championship years with the Stallions, including winning the Grey Cup one of those years."

A FAMILY OF FANS

Jean Luckabaugh, current president of Ravens Roost #1, joined the organization in April 1960. She remembers when, "Corral #1, along with four other Corrals, joined in common bond to form 'the Council of Colts Corrals' in the early 1960's. Council Corral Presidents met monthly, as we do today, to discuss ways to support professional football in the Baltimore area. In addition to the Annual Convention in Ocean City, and once in downtown Baltimore in 1977, there was the Annual Bull and Oyster Roast, which continues to this day with the Ravens Roosts, and the Colts Corral

Bowling League. We also attended each other's events. These were and still are great

BACK TO THE FUTURE

From the heartbreak days of '83, the members of Roost #1 were one of the lone watchmen helping to keep the Baltimore football flame alive. They were part of the small herd of Colts fans helping the RAVEN rise to the new era of Batimore Football Fandom the Council of Baltimore Ravens Roosts.