## BLUE VALLEY TIMES

## 41 Covid-19 Related Deaths in Northampton County

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From County Executive Lamont McClure

"We are providing the following information to give our residents the maximum amount of information permitted by law and in keeping with sound epidemiological standards," says Lamont McClure. "It is a sad and grim duty to report this data, but we continue to do so, so that our fellow residents have the information they need to make sound decisions. What the new sad total of forty-one tells us is that we are not yet done experiencing the devastation of Covid-19 in Northampton County. With each sad passing, it becomes more and more clear to us that in order to get back to some semblance of normal life, we need more Covid-19 testing in Northampton County. As we are surrounded by coronavirus hot spots, it's imperative we find a way to do this."

This data comes from the Northampton County Coroner's office and only reflects the number of people who have died of COVID-19 within the county's borders as of April 21st. It does not reflect those Northampton County residents who died of the virus in another county. Three of the forty-one deaths recorded were residents of other counties or states.

Municipalities in which the 41 decedents lived: Forks Twp. (1) Lower Nazareth Twp. (2) Bangor Boro (1) Palmer Twp. (11) Upper Nazareth Twp. (5) Williams Twp. (2) Nazareth Boro (1) Bethlehem Twp (10) City of Bethlehem (1) Washington Twp (1) City of Easton (1) Plainfield Twp (1) Wilson Boro (1)

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Phillipsburg, NJ (1) Bronx, NY (1) Millersburg, PA (1)

Average age of the Deceased: 80 years.

Gender of the Deceased: 55% Female, 45% Male

Race of the Deceased: 73% White, 10% African American, 7% Hispanic, 10% Asian/Pacific Islander

The GIS department has put together a dashboard to track Covid-19 infections and related deaths in Northampton County. It can be accessed at:

https://northampton.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/a90733c6 c4e1469289ec826f3f59dc23

Please note—the 41 unfortunate victims of Covid-19 do not provide enough data points for a statistically significant sample. Younger people remain at significant and serious risk, and should stay-at-home. All Northampton County residents should continue to practice social distancing.

This information is being provided as they are the facts as they exist on the ground as of today. These profound losses to our community do not provide us with enough scientific evidence to draw any conclusions.



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