Remember back in 1955 when this was Anthony’s IGA Store? Anthony’s started business in 1925 in the front room of their home at 526 West Oak Street where Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Anthony conducted a friendly neighborhood business for 25 years. In 1950, Mr. Anthony ventured into a larger business and built this store on the corner of Oak and Third Streets. As we all know the Anthonys are no longer here! Well, not at this building, but at a larger and better self service store at the rear of Fourth and Oak Streets.

Mr. Laurusevage started in business in 1921 in Gilberton as proprietor of a butcher shop. In 1935 he opened a similar shop on Railroad Avenue. When his sons returned from World War II they opened a hardware store in the Bradley Building on North Lehigh Avenue. They next moved the business to the basement of their residence at 35 North Lehigh Avenue and in May 1954 moved to 40 North Lehigh Avenue. Do you remember this store?