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Dr. Lora Baker takes a moment to speak with Herman Lipton, 100, of Lower Macungie, before examining his feet at Allentown Family Foot Care, South Whitehall.

Slip and fall leads to romance Centenarian cares for feet at South Whitehall podiatrist

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Herman Lipton, 100, is the second male centenarian to have his photo placed on the wall of honor in Dr. Raymond Fritz Jr.'s office.

Lipton joins Charles Herman of South Whitehall and several 100-year-old lady patients in the photo gallery at Fritz's Allentown Family Foot Care, South Whitehall Township.

Lipton told The Press he moved to Allentown 50 years ago from The Bronx, N.Y.

He and his third wife, Althea, 86, live at Country Meadows retirement community, Lower Macungie Township.

Lipton met Althea when they were both volunteers at Gross Towers, Allentown.

"I chased after my wife

for over a year before she would go out with me," Lipton said. "We have been married now for 16 years.

"One day when there was an ice storm, I went out to my garage where I was living at Liberty and 25th Street and slipped on the ice.

"After I woke up and made it back into the house, I called Althea and she took me to the doctor. That started our romance."

Lipton's first wife died in childbirth.

"I have three daughters Carol, a school teacher in New York; Maryland, a housewife in New Jersey, and Myrna, a florist in Denver, Colo.," he said. "My second wife, Rose, helped care for and raise my three girls."

Lipton met Rose, his wife of 30 years, at a New York block party, which

his mother arranged as she could no longer care for his daughters.

Lipton was a manufacturing supervisor for the former Sondra Manufacturing Company, under the 8th Street Bridge, Allentown, until he retired.

"I took care of 12 sewing machines at the factory," Lipton said. "During the war with Japan, we couldn't get the silk to make underwear for the armed services. I also worked for Sure Fit in Bethlehem for awhile."

Lipton stopped driving after an accident at age 95.

"I drove 50 years without an accident," he said. "My insurance company gave me a citation and one year of insurance without paying."

Lipton will celebrate his 101st birthday May 8.



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