

Obituaries

ANNA E. BELL

Anna E. Bell, 90, of East Center Street, Shavertown, died Dec. 7, 1988 at the Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

She was born in Forty Fort, Aug. 28, 1898, and was the daughter of the late Frank and Anna Van Auker Hubbell. She resided in Shavertown most of her life.

She was a member of the Community Church of Dallas.

Her husband, Ernest Bell, died in 1966.

Surviving are daughter, Mrs. Marjorie Brobst, with whom she resided; two grandchildren; five great-grandchildren.

Interment was in Wardan Cemetery, Dallas.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Community Church of Dallas, RD 5, Box 117C, Dallas, Pa. 18612.

ELSBETH COON

Elsbeth B. Coon, 80, of Harris Hill Road, Shavertown, died Dec. 10, 1988 at her residence, following an illness.

Born Nov. 24, 1908, she was the daughter of the late Philip R. and Grace Sharpe Bevan.

Mrs. Coon was a 1926 graduate of Wyoming Seminary.

She was a member of the Shavertown United Methodist Church. She formerly served on the board of directors of the Old Ladies Home of Wilkes-Barre.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John M. Coon, the former president of the B.G. Coon Construction Company, who died in 1986, daughter, Nancy Coon Jones who died in 1982.

Surviving are a daughter, Shirley C. Collins, of Bethlehem; five grandchildren, Donald A. Collins Jr., Cambridge, Ohio; Lawrence J. Collins, San Francisco, Calif.; Elsbeth M. Collins, Los Angeles, Calif.; Constance B. Jones, Philadelphia; Douglas A. Jones, Kingston.

Interment was in the Forty Fort Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association, c/o Kirby Health Center, Wilkes-Barre, 18701 or to the charity of the donor's choice.

CHARLES COSLETT

Attorney E. Charles Coslett, 68, Trucksville died Dec. 9, 1988 following an extended illness.

Born Nov. 11, 1920, in Edwardsville, he was the son of the late Charles V. and Rebecca Gillen Coslett.

He was a graduate of Dickinson

College, Carlisle, and received his law degree in 1950 from the Dickinson School of Law, where he served on the Law Review.

Atty. Coslett was the senior partner of the law firm of Coslett & Coslett, Kingston where he practiced law with his two sons.

He was an active member and former junior warden of the Vestry of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Wilkes-Barre.

He served as a former alumni trustee of the Dickinson School of Law and was a member of the Dickinson School of Law's General and Northeast Pennsylvania Alumni Associations.

He was also an active member of the Dickinson College Alumni Association.

He was a member of the Wilkes-Barre Law and Library Association and the Pennsylvania Bar Association.

He was a Mason and member of the Keystone Consistory, Scranton, and Irem Temple. Also he was a member of the Greater Wilkes-Barre Shrine Club.

Atty. Coslett was a former past president of the St. David's Society of Wyoming Valley and past president of the National Foundation, Northeast Chapter, of the March of Dimes.

He was a veteran of World War II, retiring as a captain in the U.S. Air Force. He was a member of the American Legion Post 395, Kingston.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Bernadine Ulsh in 1980.

Surviving are his wife, Ruth Middleton Coslett; sons, Atty. Charles R. Coslett, Dallas; Atty. Keith Coslett, Kingston; sister, Irene C. Davis, Kingston; brother, Franklin D. Coslett, Hanover Twp.; two grandsons, Benjamin and Bradley Coslett, both of Dallas.

Interment was in Fern Knoll Burial Park, Dallas.

Memorial contributions, if desired, may be made to the endowment fund of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Wilkes-Barre, 18701, or to a charity of the donor's choice.

THOMAS FAHRINGER

Thomas L. Fahringer, 67, of Lakeside Dr., Harveys Lake, died Dec. 10, 1988 at the Nesbitt Memorial Hospital, Kingston.

Surviving are his wife, the former Katherine Elliott, to whom he was married 46 years; daughter, Mrs.

Roger Gundersen, RD 1, Berwick; sons, Daniel and David, both from Berwick; seven grandchildren; brothers, Russell, St. Augustine, Fl.; George, Henderson, N.C.; Paul, Berwick; David, Apollo; sister, Mrs. Woodrow Brewington, Berwick.

Interment was in Pine Grove Cemetery, Berwick.

RUTH GRIFFITH

Ruth S. Griffith, 89, of Lawn Avenue, Shavertown, formerly of Park Avenue Towers, died Dec. 6, 1988 in the Wilkes-Barre General Hospital, following a brief illness.

Born in Wilkes-Barre, she was the daughter of the late James L. and Eva Medley Speary. She resided all of her life in the Wilkes-Barre Area.

Mrs. Griffith attended Hanover Township High School and graduated from Bloomsburg State Teachers College. She taught briefly in the Plymouth School District.

Mrs. Griffith was past matron of the Blossom Chapter #451 of the Order of the Eastern Star. She was also past Worthy High Priestess of the Calvary Shrine #20, Order of White Shrine of Jerusalem.

Mrs. Griffith was a past state president of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

She was preceded in death by her husband, George M. Griffith, who died in 1970; and by sons, George, who died in 1959; Parke F. Griffith, who died in 1975.

Surviving are granddaughters, Mrs. Carolyn R. Bulford, Shavertown; Mrs. Valerie G. Efrid, nephews.

A memorial service was conducted with the Rev. A. James Cara, officiating.

CORINNE KELLER

Corinne Ann Keller, 23, of Bunker Hill Road, Kingston Township, died Dec. 10, 1988 in the Wilkes-Barre General Hospital, following an illness.

Born in Wilkes-Barre, she was the daughter of James H. and Shirley Moser Keller, with whom she resided.

Ms. Keller was a 1984 graduate of Wyoming Area High School. She resided in Kingston Township for the past 11 years.

Ms. Keller had been employed as a secretary for the Keller Wheelchair Lift Company of Luzerne.

She was a member of the West Pittston Assembly of God Church.

Surviving in addition to her parents, are brothers, James C. Keller, at home; Scott D., Reading.

Interment was in Woodlawn Cemetery, Dallas.

LOINE LYNCH

Loine M. Lynch, Milway Drive, Alexandria, Va., died Dec. 8, 1988 at home.

Born in Kenton, Ohio, she was the daughter of the late Harry and Ada Smith Stringer.

She moved to the Wilkes-Barre area during her childhood and was a graduate of Coughlin High School.

She was a resident of Harveys Lake from 1962 until June 1988, when she moved to Virginia.

She was a member of Our Lady of Victory Chapel, Harveys Lake.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Joan Travis, in 1987; brother Charles; sisters, Millie and Lenora.

Surviving are her husband, John; sons, Robert J. Alexandria, Va.; Dr.

Benton; grandsons, George Jr., Benton, John, of Philadelphia; Parke Jr. Shavertown; seven great-grandchildren; one great great-grandson, Damian Efrid.

Interment was in Fern Knoll Burial Park, Dallas.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Child Development Council Handicapped Program, 9 East Market St., Wilkes-Barre, 18703, to benefit Damian Efrid, her only great great-grandchild.

LAWRENCE MARTIN

Lawrence J. Martin, 21, of RD 1, Dallas, died Dec. 6, 1988 in the Nesbitt Memorial Hospital, Kingston, from injuries sustained in an all-terrain vehicle accident on November 17.

Born July 30, 1967, in Wilkes-Barre, he was the son of Kenneth C. and Mary Gorgol Martin, Dallas. He resided in Dallas all of his life.

Mr. Martin attended the Dallas School District and graduated from West Side Area Vocational-Technical School in 1985.

He was self-employed as a truck driver for the past year.

Mr. Martin was a member of the Kunkle United Methodist Church, and the South Mountain Land Association.

Surviving, in addition to his parents are paternal grandparents, Kenneth A. and Laura Martin, Dallas; brothers, Kenneth C. Martin Jr., Dallas; William T. Martin, at home; a sister, Cynthia Foss, Dallas; two nephews.

Interment was in the Chapel Lawn Memorial Park, Dallas.

DOROTHY PARRY PODVINECZ

Dorothy Parry Podvinecz, of West 68th St. Dorchester Towers, New York City and Harveys Lake, died Dec. 10, 1988 in Meadows Nursing Home, Dallas.

Born in Luzerne, Oct. 18, 1899, the daughter of the late William J. and Marion McCulloch Parry, she was a graduate of Luzerne schools; Wyoming Seminary; the Julliard School of Music, New York City; and Columbia University, New York City.

An organist and choir director for

various New York churches, she taught music in Elmont schools, Long Island, N.Y. prior to her retirement.

She was preceded in death by husband, Stephen, in 1949.

Surviving are several nieces and John F. Lynch Jr., Granada Hills, Calif.; 12 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Interment was in St. Mary's Cemetery, Hanover Twp.

Joseph J. Price, Lake-Lehman teacher for 20 years, dies at 49

Lake-Lehman School District lost an outstanding teacher this past week with the death of Joseph J. Price, a member of the faculty for more than 20 years.

Lake-Lehman teachers and students lost more than a teacher, they lost a friend and a confidante. The teachers admired Price for his quiet friendliness and his intelligence.

"He was a typical, caring, responsible individual," said assistant high school principal, Robert Roberts. "He came in quietly, did his work and sought nothing in return but the satisfaction he received from helping others."

Joseph Price was a father image to many of the students, especially those students, boys and girls, who couldn't confide in anyone at home but knew they could discuss their problems with him; problems he would never reveal to anyone on the outside.

He counseled many of his students who grew up to become fine young men and women who are raising families of their own today. Young people and baseball were his two loves, children first, then the sport of baseball.

While in high school he was an all-scholastic catcher for St. Vincent's High School and a member of St. Vincent's state championship team in 1956. He was a former baseball coach at Lake-Lehman and until he was admitted to the hospital in October, Joseph Price was a dedicated member of the Back Mountain's Teeners League.

Joseph Price was an exceptionally intelligent man. He had an unusual memory and no one ever

asked him a question he couldn't answer. He was an individual who loved to play 'mind' games whether with young people or with fellow teachers.

The love and respect his students had for him were evidenced Monday at his funeral services when nearly 100 students stood outside in the bitter cold to pay their final tribute to the man they loved—Joseph Price.

Price, 49, resident of Mountain View Drive, Lehman died Friday, December 9 at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital. He was born July 28, 1939, in Plymouth, son of the late John C. and Mary Price, and was a member of St. Vincent's Church, Plymouth.

He was a graduate of St. Vincent's High School, Class of 1956, and a graduate of King's College where he received his B.A. degree in Spanish and English. He also received a master's degree in English.

He was a former coach of basketball and baseball at St. Vincent's and a former member and past officer of the Plymouth Teeners League and a coach for the Lettermen's Club baseball team in Plymouth. He also managed and coached the Shawnee Indians Central League baseball team and managed the Plymouth Twilight baseball team. Mr. Price was active in the Back Mountain Teeners League.

He is survived by a son, Joseph Richard, Wilkes-Barre.

Funeral services were held Monday from the S.J. Gronkowski Funeral Home with a Mass of Christian Burial in St. Vincent DePaul Church, Plymouth. Interment was in the parish cemetery, Larksville.

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