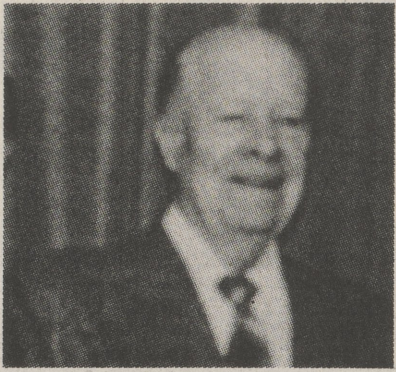


**Obituaries**

**Ambrose Gavigan dies, was Kingston Township supervisor for 11 years**

Kingston Township lost more than a neighbor and supervisor with the recent passing of Ambrose G. Gavigan of East Center Street, Shavertown. They lost a good friend and a man who cared about people, cared about his community and cared about youth.

A resident of Shavertown for the past 50 years, 'Gavy', as most people knew him, always had a kind word and a smile for everyone. He was never too busy to take time out to talk with a neighbor, a customer, a senior citizen, or a young athlete.



**Ambrose G. Gavigan**

Gavy was proud of his grandchildren and he always had a story to tell about one of them, especially Cheryl, who was a star basketball player on the Dallas girls basketball team.

For years Gavy owned his own grocery store and meat market that was located in Trucksville. It became a meeting place for his friends, many of whom came in to take part in discussions about politics.

Mr. Gavigan was a Kingston Township supervisor for 11 years and dedicated a great deal of his time and effort to making the community one of the best in the Back Mountain. Gavy was interested in progress and change as long as it was for the better and he devoted much time to making certain the township government was getting better.

Like most people, he had good days and bad days, but the good

community's sympathy to the Gavigan family. "We're sorry" is so little for a loss so great.

Ambrose G. (Gavy) Gavigan was 75 when he died Friday, Jan. 20, 1989 in Nesbitt Memorial Hospital, Kingston. Born in Pittston, he was the son of the late Owen and Mary McHale Gavigan.

A resident of Shavertown for the past 50 years, he was formerly employed by the National Biscuit Company and was owner and manager of Gavy's Market, first located in Trucksville, then in Laceyville and later in Shavertown. Later he was employed in the meat department at Daring's Market in Dallas.

Gavy was a Kingston Township supervisor for 11 years and was an associate member of the American Legion, Dallas Post 672. He was also a member of St. Therese's Church, Shavertown.

He was preceded in death by a son, Gerald G., in 1987.

Surviving are his wife, the former Frances Bilbow; son, Don, Shavertown; grandchildren, Denise, Don and Cheryl Gavigan all of Shavertown; Gerry Gavigan, Reading; brother Jack Gavigan, Pittston; sister, Mrs. Alice Galvin, Avoca.

Funeral services were Monday, 9 a.m. from the Harold C. Snowdon Funeral Home, 140 N. Main St., Shavertown, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial in St. Therese's Church, Shavertown. Interment was in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Carverton.

days far surpassed the bad. Those were the days he never discussed—no one but members of his family ever knew when 'Gavy' didn't feel up to par.

Until recently, he and his wife, Frances, were regular diners at Franklin's Restaurant where they would greet many of their friends and talk about times in the past.

No day passed that Gavy didn't find time to give some of himself to a friend or neighbor—a cheerful word, a helping hand, or a lift to a store. No one will ever know the little things Gavy did that meant so much to others.

Friend, neighbor, storekeeper, supervisor, father and husband, 'Gavy' was one of a kind. There will be no other like him pass this way. Not only Kingston Township but the entire Back Mountain community will feel his loss.

There are no words that can adequately express the

**Police report**

**Dallas Township Arrests made in 16 Back Mountain burglaries**

A joint investigation by Pennsylvania State Police, police departments of Wilkes-Barre, Hanover Township, Lehman Township, Dallas Township, Dallas Borough, Ashley Borough and Pittston resulted in the arrest of Chester Ketchum, 21, 329 Blackman St., Wilkes-Barre, on 25 counts of burglary and theft, all morning and afternoon house burglaries, and 10 counts of criminal conspiracy.

Items taken were usually cash, VCR's, televisions, cameras, guns and jewelry.

Also charged was Linda Honko, 20, 70 Lee Park Ave., Wilkes-Barre, Hanover Township, taken into custody on six counts of custody, six counts of theft and six counts of criminal conspiracy, and Jerry Shawn Shaffer, 32 Essex St., Wilkes-Barre, a 17-year-old male, who at a hearing in Luzerne County Juvenile Court, Monday, Jan. 23, was certified to be tried as an adult.

James Graziano, 24-year-old male, 113 Lyndwood Ave., Wilkes-Barre, Hanover Township, was taken into custody on three counts of receiving stolen property and three counts of criminal conspiracy and is free on bail.

Back Mountain burglaries include three in Dallas Township, 12 in Lehman Township and one in Dallas Borough.

Dallas Township Police Chief is continuing the investigation to determine if others are involved, with more arrests anticipated.

Preliminary hearings in the matter are scheduled for January 26 before District Magistrate Robert Chesna, Hanover Township, who is specially presiding.

**Kingston Township Burger King robbery suspect arrested**

Fedro Carter, Jr., age 27, of Meshoppen, was arrested Jan. 18, 1989, by Kingston Township Police Chief Paul Sabol and Sgt. J. J. Balavage in connection with the armed robbery which took place at

the Burger King Restaurant in Shavertown, Kingston Township, January 9.

Carter was arrested on his way to work in Tunkhannock. Police say that Carter is one of two persons who pulled a gun on employees of Burger King and demanded money from the cash drawers. A second person involved in the robbery is still being sought.

Police reported that \$135 was taken in the robbery.

Carter was remanded to the Luzerne County Correctional Facility after he was unable to post bail of \$25,000. He is charged with robbery, theft by unlawful taking or disposition, simple assault, reckless endangering another person, and receiving stolen property.

A hearing date on the charges is scheduled for January 27 at 10 a.m. before the district magistrate.

**Hung up on curb, he's charged with DUI**

Patrolman John Curham investigated an accident, January 22, on Route 309 in front of Burger King Restaurant, Shavertown.

Police said John Paul Boos, RD 3, Wyoming, drove through the Burger King property and onto a curb where his vehicle became disabled. He was unable to tell police what happened because of his condition. His car was towed by Schmid's tow truck to Schmid's garage.

Boos was charged with driving under the influence.

**In wrong lane on 309, rolls over after crash**

Joseph McBride of Wilkes-Barre was charged with reckless driving and meeting a vehicle in the opposite direction by Patrolman John Curham, investigating officer January 22, 1989.

Police reported that McBride was traveling south on Route 309 when he came at Richard John Storm of Wilkes-Barre in the passing lane of Route 309 in the vicinity

of Hillside Road. After the impact McBride's vehicle rolled over three times and came to rest on its roof in the northbound passing lane of Route 309.

Patrolman Curham determined Storm was traveling north on Route 309 in the passing lane and was struck by McBride's vehicle traveling south in the northbound lane. McBride's car also struck a guardrail on the southbound side of Route 309.

**Diane Des Rochers completes children's story writing course**

Diane Des Rochers of Dallas recently completed a special correspondence course for new writers at The Institute of Children's Literature based in Redding Ridge, Connecticut.

Ms. Des Rochers has been privately tutored by mail throughout her new writer's course by Blossom Budney Tresselt, one of The Institute's instructors. Mrs. Tresselt is a literary professional with credentials including books published by Alfred Knopf and

Grosset and Dunlap. One of her young readers' books was selected as one of the 10 Best Juvenile Books by The New York Times. Her stories and articles have appeared in Humpty Dumpty's Magazine and in Calling All Girls.

Upon her completion of The Institute's home study course for aspiring authors, Ms. Des Rochers received her diploma along with congratulations from The Institute's president, Bryan K. Judge.

**FOSTER BULFORD**

Foster G. Bulford, 41, RD 1, Sweet Valley, died Jan. 22, 1989 in Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born Oct. 10, 1947, in Kingston, he was the son of Roland and Dorothy Whitefell Bulford, RD 1, Sweet Valley.

He was self-employed as a wood crafter and also operated an egg hatchery. He was a member of Outlet Bible Tabernacle Church, Harveys Lake.

Mr. Bulford was a 1965 graduate of Lake-Lehman High School and played in the high school band.

He also played in a local bluegrass band.

He was a friend of WRGN radio station and was known for his telephone ministries.

Surviving in addition to his parents are his wife, the former Louise Sikora.

Interment will be in Maple Grove Cemetery, Pikes Creek.

Memorial contributions if desired, may be made to the WRGN radio ministry, RD 3, Hunlock Creek, to the Diabetes Foundation or to the Bible Ministry to the American Indian.

**CHARLES CAVILL**

Charles B. Cavill, 38, of Harveys Lake, died Jan. 22, 1989 in the Nesbitt Memorial Hospital, Kingston.

Born April 14, 1950, in Wilkes-Barre, he was the son of the late Charles and Viola Peters Cavill.

Mr. Cavill resided at Harveys Lake all of his life.

Surviving are brothers, Jerry F., Gary G., both of Harveys Lake; sisters, Joyce Williams, Harveys Lake; Bonnie Sulkes, Kingston; Judy Smith and Sandy Teetsel, both of Noxen; Diane Nichols, Harveys Lake.

Interment will be in Mount Greenwood Cemetery, Shavertown.

**JOHN TENCZA**

John J. Tencza, 71, of Park Street, Dallas, died Jan. 18, 1989 at the family home.

Born Feb. 28, 1917, in Edwardsville, he was the son of the late Joseph and Hedwig Wiacek Tencza.

He resided in Edwardsville for 66 years, prior to moving to Dallas over five years ago.

Mr. Tencza attended Edwardsville borough schools and was a 1935 graduate of Edwardsville High School. He was also a graduate of the Maritime School, Gallup Island, Boston.

He was a member of the Good Shepherd Polish National Catholic Church, Plymouth.

Mr. Tencza spent 40 years as a maritime ship officer and served during World War II, the Korean Conflict and the Vietnam War with the Merchant Marines.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Josephine, who died Nov. 23, 1972.

Surviving are brothers, Joseph, Inkster, Mich.; Stanley, Fenton, Mich.; Edward, at home; sisters, Mrs. Helen Labatch, Dallas; Mrs. Frances Kulp, Wilkes-Barre, numerous nieces and nephews.

Interment was in the parish cemetery.

**STANLEY DUDA**

Stanley W. Duda, 36, of Laurel Drive, Dallas, formerly of West Union Street, Nanticoke, died Jan. 18, 1989 in the Wilkes-Barre General Hospital, where he had been a patient for the past week.

Born in Nanticoke, he was the son of John Duda Sr., and the late Josephine Lacomby Duda, who died Sept. 11, 1979.

Mr. Duda was 1972 graduate of Nanticoke High School.

He was employed by Verto Cable Company, Pittston, as a cable technician.

Mr. Duda was a former police sergeant with the Lake Township Police. He was also a patrolman with the Lehman Township Police.

He was a member of St. Francis Church, Nanticoke. Mr. Duda was a lifelong member of the Back Mountain Police Association.

Surviving in addition to his father, John Duda Sr., are his fiancée, Ann Heffernan, Dallas; sisters, Mrs. Maryanne Winslow, Christine Duda, Nanticoke; brothers, Frank Duda, Wanamie; John Duda Jr., Michael Duda, both of Nanticoke; maternal grandmother, Mary Lacomby, Nanticoke; nieces and nephews.

Interment was in St. Mary's Cemetery, Wanamie.

**CECIL VERNON**

Cecil Vernon, 90, of Dallas, died Jan. 22, 1989 in the Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born in Creetown, Scotland, he was the son of the late John and Elizabeth Rumsey Vernon.

He resided in Buffalo, N.Y., until 1984 when he moved to Mountain-side Manor in Dallas.

Prior to retirement, he was employed by DuPont, DeNemours

E.I. Co.

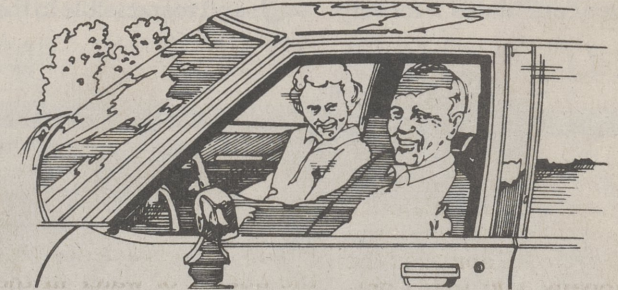
He attended Lafayette Presbyterian Church, Buffalo.

Mr. Vernon was preceded in death by his wife, Christine, and by a sister and brother in Scotland.

Memorial services will be conducted in Lafayette Presbyterian Church on Thursday.

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