

Obituaries

ELLEN COOLE

Ellen M. Coole, 86, of RR 1, New Albany, died Feb. 8, 1991, at Tyler Memorial Hospital, Tunkhannock. Born in Flint, Mich., Oct. 8, 1904, she was the daughter of the late Arthur and Emma Kern Hale. She resided in Noxen for 40 years, prior to moving to New Albany, two months ago. She was employed by the Ronox Dress Factory, Noxen, for 20 years, retiring 20 years ago. She was a member of the Noxen Independent Bible Church. She was preceded in death by her husband, Frederick D. Coole, in 1974. Surviving are sons, David E., Knox; William K., with whom she resided; daughters, Phyllis Pease, East Amherst, N.Y.; Arlene Berger, Coudersport; Peggy Byrne, Ridgefield, Conn.; 13 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren. Interment was in Elk Run Cemetery, Gaines.

ASHLEY DAY

Infant Ashley Ann Day, of Sterling, Va., died Feb. 8, 1991. Born Sept. 18, 1989, in George Washington University Hospital, Washington, D.C., she was the daughter of Edward Alex and Cheryl Anne Shurites Day, formerly of Forty Fort. Surviving in addition to her parents are paternal grandparents Edward and Ellen Skordinski Day, Dallas; maternal grandmother, Mrs. Barbara Matro Shurites. She was preceded in death by her grandfather, Charles Shurites. Interment was in Fern Knoll Burial Park, Dallas.

TUDOR ELLIS

Tudor M. Ellis, 65, of Woodbine Road, Shavertown, died Feb. 6, 1991, in Geisinger Medical Center, Danville, after a lengthy illness. Born in Wilkes-Barre, Jan. 9, 1926 he was the son of the late William R. and Beatrice Morgan Ellis. He was a 1951 graduate of Wilkes College. He was a licensed claims adjuster for Merrill Associates Luzerne and Pittston. He was formerly employed by the Employers Group, Commercial Union, Lackawanna Casualty as a claims adjuster. He was also employed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare, Office of Fraud and Abuse Investigations and Recovery as a claims investigator, retiring in 1988. He was a Navy veteran of World War II. He was a member of the First Welsh Presbyterian Church, Wilkes-Barre, where he served as a former clerk of session and as an Elder. He was a former president of the Dallas Area High School Booster Club. He was a member of Fidelity Lodge 655, F.&A.M., Wilkes-Barre; Caldwell Consistory; Irem Temple and the Irem Temple Chanters; St. David's Society, Wilkes-Barre; the American Legion; and the American Association of Retired People. Surviving are his wife, the former Joanne Williams; son, William, Shavertown; daughter, Mrs. Pamela Santanasto, Bethlehem; two grandsons. Interment was in Oak Lawn Cemetery, Hanover Township.

ETHEL EVARTS

Ethel L. Everts, 85, of RR 2, Benton, died Feb. 6, 1991 at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital. Born in Kingston, Sept. 22, 1905, she was the daughter of the late Jay and Armanda Harrison Remley. She resided on Carverton Road, Trucksville for most of her life. She had also lived at Shickshinny Lake for 11 years, prior to moving to Benton in 1980. She was employed as a postal clerk for the Shavertown Post Office for 23 years, prior to her retirement. She attended the Stillwater Christian Church and was past Matron of the Nanticoke Chapter 174, Order of the Eastern Star. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Edward Babcock; son, Jay Babcock; brother, Carl Remley; sister, Marian Hubschmitt. Surviving are her husband, Alfred; son, William Babcock, Bloomingdale; daughter, Jane Capece, Baltimore, Md.; four grandchildren; two great-grandchildren. Interment was in Bethel Hill Cemetery, Fairmount Township. Memorial donations, if desired, may be made to the Stillwater Christian Church Building Fund, Box 26, Stillwater, 17878.

LUELLA HONTZ

Luella Hontz, 86, died Feb. 5, 1991, at the Davis Nursing Home, Mountaintop. Born in Sweet Valley, Aug. 16, 1904, she had been a guest at the nursing home since 1984. She was the last member of her family and has no survivors. Interment was in the Albert Cemetery, Wright Township.

MARY FREEMAN

Mary M. Freeman, formerly of the Shawanese section, Harveys Lake, died Feb. 10, 1991, in the Leader Nursing and Rehabilitation Center East, Second Avenue, Kingston. Born in Wilkes-Barre, she was a daughter of the late Thomas and Ellen (Nellie) Clark Mather. She attended area schools. Mrs. Freeman had resided in Harveys Lake for the past 40 years. She was preceded in death by her husband George F. Funeral services will be Thursday at 10:30 a.m. from the Harold C. Snowden Funeral Home, 140 N. Main St., Shavertown with a Funeral Mass at 11 a.m. in Our Lady of Victory Church, Harveys Lake, with Rev. Louis A. Grippe, pastor officiating. Interment will be in St. Mary's Cemetery, Hanover Township.

DORIS HIGGS

Doris L. Higgs, 72, of South Mountain Boulevard, Mountaintop, died Feb. 10, 1991, in Wilkes-Barre General Hospital where she had been a patient since Thursday. Born in Baltimore, Md., May 21, 1918, she was the daughter of the late Harold C. and Marion Field. She was a graduate of Meyers High School, Wilkes-Barre and the Chester County School of Nursing, West Chester. She was a registered nurse, and for the past 15 years had been employed at Davis Nursing Home, Mountaintop. She was a member of the Christ United Methodist Church, Mountaintop, and its Winners Circle Ladies Group. She was a member and past Worthy Matron of Progress Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, Germantown; a charter member of, currently serving as treasurer, of the Wright Township Fire Dept. Ladies' Auxiliary. Surviving are her husband, Dr. Robert D.; sons, Maj. James, currently serving in Saudi Arabia, Atty. William L., Nuangola; daughter, Mrs. Ronald (Barbara) Spencer, Sweet Valley; 12 grandchildren. Funeral services will be Friday at 11 a.m. from the Graham-McCune Funeral Home, 80 S. Mountain Blvd., Mountaintop, with Rev. Bruce J. Gallup, pastor of the Christ United Methodist Church, officiating. Interment will be in Fern Knoll Burial Park, Dallas. Friends may call Thursday, 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Memorial donations, if desired, may be made to the Christ United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 7, Mountaintop, 18707.

DOMINICK MEROLLA

Dominick P. Merolla, 81, of Mount Airy Road, Shavertown, died Feb. 5, 1991, in the Sacred Heart Hospital, Norristown, where he was a patient for three days. Born in Wilkes-Barre, he was a son of the late Nicholas and Stella DiBiase Merolla. He was a graduate of GAR High School, Wilkes-Barre, and had resided in Shavertown the past 50 years. Prior to retiring, he was employed as a welder by the International Iron Works. Mr. Merolla was a Navy veteran serving during World War II. He was a member of the Shavertown United Methodist Church, the George M. Dallas Lodge 531 F&A.M.; Caldwell Consistory, Bloomsburg; Irem Temple, Wilkes-Barre; and past president of the Dallas Lions Club. He was preceded in death by his wife, Margery Hughes, on March 19, 1989. Surviving are a daughter, Jeanne Eckroat, Blue Bell; brother, Thomas, Plains; sisters, Miss Lena Merrola, Mrs. Rose McNulty of Wilkes-Barre; two grandchildren. Interment was in Fern Knoll Burial Park, Dallas.

HENRIETTA JONES

Henrietta Jones, of RR 1, Hunlock Creek, died Feb. 6, 1991, at Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center, Plains Township. Born Dec. 7, 1924, in Harrisburg, she was the daughter of the late Henry and Grace River Heikel. She was preceded in death by her husband, Capt. Evan; sons, Kenneth, in 1982; Gerald, in 1987; David, in 1960. Surviving are a son, Evan, RR 1, Shickshinny; daughters, Mrs. Cheryl Gregorio, RR 1, Shickshinny; Mrs. Donna Toomey, Dallastown; Mrs. Diane Malkemes, Lehman, 15 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren. Interment was in Sorbertown Cemetery, Hunlock Creek.

LOUISE MARKS

Louise C. Marks, 74, of Stuart, Fl., died Feb. 3, at Martin Memorial Hospital, Stuart. Born in Pittsburgh, she had been a resident of Stuart for 15 years, coming from Salzburg, PA. She formerly had her own column in the Pittsburgh Press and was a former advertising manager for the Dallas Post in Dallas. She belonged to the Women's Club of Stuart, the Historical Society of Martin County and the National League of American Pen Women. She was a member of the 1st Church of Christ Scientist of Stuart. Survivors include her daughter, Carolyn Shipman of St. Louis, Mo.; 3, grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren. Memorial service was held at Stuart. Those who wish may make contributions to The Cedars Childrens Home, 6601 Pioneer Blvd., Lincoln, Nebraska, 68506.

ELIZABETH MINTZER

Elizabeth V. Mintzer, 75, of Valley View Park, Dallas, died Feb. 5, 1991, in Mercy Hospital, Wilkes-Barre. Born in Wilkes-Barre, she was the daughter of the late Harry and Carrie Morgan Cole. She was a graduate of Kingston Township High School. She had resided in the Alderson section of Harveys Lake for 20 years, moving to Dallas four years ago. She was last employed as a laundry worker at College Misericordia, Dallas. She was a member of the Alderson United Methodist Church. She was preceded in death by her husband, Leamon, Aug. 23, 1984. Surviving are sons, Lee, Dallas; Fred, Shrub Oak, N.Y.; sister, Mrs. Jean Tredinnick, Dallas; five grandchildren; one great-grandson. Interment was in Memorial Shrine Park, Carverton.

MARY PARRISH

Mary M. Parrish, 55, of Valley View Park, Dallas died Feb. 9, 1991, at Geisinger Medical Center, Danville, where she had been a patient since Thursday. Born in Wyoming, she was the daughter of Blanche Endrusick Sholtis of Dallas, and the late John Sholtis. She was a graduate of Dallas Township High School. She had resided in the Dallas area for most of her life. She was employed in the library of College Misericordia, Dallas. She was a member of Gate of Heaven Church, Dallas. She was preceded in death by a son, Mark. Surviving in addition to her mother, are sons, Robert J., Trucksville; David J., Chesapeake, Va.; brother, John, Van Nuys, Calif.; six grandchildren. Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. from the Richard H. Disque Funeral Home, 672 Memorial Highway, Dallas with a Mass of Christian Burial at 11 a.m. in Gate of Heaven Church, Dallas. Interment will be in Mount Olivet Cemetery, Carverton.

MARILYN POPE

Marilyn Roat Pope, 58, of Windsor Drive, Dallas, died Feb. 9, 1991, in Nesbitt Memorial Hospital, Kingston, after a lengthy illness. Born in Kingston, she was the daughter of the late Hary C. and Lola Jacquish Roat. She was a graduate of the former Kingston High School, attending Cedar Crest College, Allentown. She was a graduate of the Franklin Institute, Philadelphia. She was a resident of Dallas area for the past 20 years. She previously resided at Park Place, Kingston. Prior to retiring in 1989, she owned and operated the Roat Hardware and Supply co., Kingston, for many years. She was a member of Prince of Peace Episcopal Church, Dallas. She was past president and a member of the Board of Directors of the S.P.C.A. of Luzerne County. Surviving are her husband, J. Frederick; son, James F. Jr., Harding; daughter, Jane Pope, at home; brother, Harry C. Roat Jr., Benton. Funeral services will be Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. from the Hugh B. Hughes and Son Inc. Funeral Home, 1044 Wyoming Ave., Forty Fort, with the Rev. John S. Praeter, pastor of Prince of Peace Episcopal Church, officiating. Interment will be in Fern Knoll Burial Park, Dallas. Memorial donations, if desired, may be made to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, 524 E. Main St., Wilkes-Barre, 18702.

GEORGE SHELPACK

George Shelpack, rear 595 Blackman St., Wilkes-Barre Township, died Feb. 9, 1991, in Wilkes-Barre Mercy Hospital. Born in Wilkes-Barre Township, he was the son of the late Alexander and Mary Kapral Shelpack. He was educated in the township schools and was a member of St. Mary's Byzantine Rite Catholic Church, Wilkes-Barre. He was a veteran of World War II, serving with the U.S. Army in the European Theater. He was employed as a welder by A.C.F., Berwick, for 20 years. He was also employed by Frenbaugh Silk Mill, Wilkes-Barre, and Grablick's Dairy, Pittston, for many years. He was preceded in death by sisters, Mrs. Anna Possinger, Mrs. Mary Grablick and Mrs. Helen Lachaton; brothers, John and Michael. Surviving are a brother, Alexander, Dallas; sister, Mrs. Catherine Pekol, Wilkes-Barre Township. Interment was in the parish cemetery, Dallas.

Dance

(continued from page 1) help the families. Three of the bands have already agreed to play. They are, the Blue Ridge Mountaineers, Detour and Larry Alome. The fourth band will be sponsored by the Eagles Club of Plymouth. Blaine is hoping that area residents display their community support and show up to help the families. "It should be a good time. We are starting at 2:00 p.m. and we are not sure how long we will be there, after all we have four bands," she said. Tickets are \$6.00 per person and can be purchased at many businesses in Harveys Lake Borough. Other efforts to help the families are continuing in the borough. Diveronica's store is holding a fundraising effort to give money to the families and the Idetown Fire Company is asking that anyone who wants to donate furniture or other items make arrangements to drop off the items at the fire hall. Some items and money have been donated already. The company said that any duplicate items donated will be given to a charitable organization.

Police report

DALLAS BOROUGH DUI CHARGED

Officer James Martin, Feb. 1, charged Thomas J. Sabecky of Dallas with driving under the influence when he saw Sabecky driving a 1979 red Honda Civic south on Route 415 and spin out and continue to drive in an erratic manner. His blood alcohol content tested 0.16. Sabecky will appear before Magistrate Earl Gregory.

DALLAS TOWNSHIP TIRES SLASHED

Dallas Township police were dispatched to Dallas Senior High School Feb. 3, where Francis Hill, Trucksville, reported that he had his car parked Feb. 1, at 5 p.m. He said the car was disabled and he discovered Feb. 3, at 1 p.m. that the passenger side, front and rear tires had been slashed.

FAN CHARGED WITH HARASSING PRINCIPAL

Frank Galicki, principal of Dallas Senior High School, reported to Officer Doug Higgins that at a basketball game, he was shoved, pushed and verbally assaulted by one Joseph Garland, RR 1, Pittston. Charges were filed against the suspect for harassment Feb. 4.

CAR MIRROR BROKEN

Officer Truman Brandt investigated a case of criminal mischief, Feb. 1, at the Dallas Senior High School parking lot where a car parked by Ronald Storm, Wilkes-Barre in the high school lot while Storm was at a basketball game had the driver's side mirror smashed.

KINGSTON TOWNSHIP

FALLEN ROCK CAUSES ACCIDENT ON 309

Kingston Township police investigated an accident at Route 309 and Hillside Road where Lillian Kuehn of Dallas told them she was driving her 1988 Dodge north on Route 309 in the right hand lane when she struck a boulder that had fallen from the side of the hill onto the highway. Kuehn said she tried to miss it but the right front tire of her car hit the boulder causing extensive damage so that her car had to be towed.

DUI CHARGES PENDING

Charges are pending against Mark M. Farrell, 71 Sterling Ave., Dallas, by Officer Michael Moravec after he stopped Farrell at the intersection of Route 309 and Hillside Road and arrested Farrell for driving under the influence.

TWO CAR ACCIDENT

Officer Walter Davis investigated a two-car accident Feb. 7 at the intersection of Church Road and Route 309 where he reported a 1987 Ford Thunderbird driven by Debra Ann Silveti, Hunlock Creek, was struck in the rear by a 1989 International Truck driven by Robert B. Harding of Pittston. Silveti was in the right lane south with her turn signal on to indicate a right run onto Church Road when Harding traveling south in the same lane said he didn't see Silveti's turn signal on and at the last minute he applied his brakes but it was too late and the truck struck the Silveti car. Silveti was removed to the hospital for treatment.

ONE CAR ACCIDENT

Kingston Township police were dispatched to an accident Feb. 6 on Route 309 near Hillside Road where Bernard Domkowski, Kingston, driving a 1977 Plymouth said he was traveling south on Route 309 and when he came out of a turn he felt the rear wheels on his car slide and he lost control and hit the guard rail. He was removed by ambulance to Nesbitt Hospital for treatment.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT, ASSAULT CHARGED

Stephanie Evans was charged Jan. 26 by Officers Michael Moravec and Walter Davis for simple assault and disorderly conduct at 202 Ferguson Ave., Shavertown.

DUI HEARING SET FOR DRIVER

Preliminary hearing against Edward Novitski, 8 Circle Drive, Wyoming, Kingston Township, will be held February 22, on charges by Kingston Township police that Novitski was driving under the influence and also for resisting arrest.

CRIMINAL INTENT CHARGED

John Joseph Jescavage, Plains, was arrested by Officer Walter Davis, on Highland Avenue, Trucksville, for direct criminal intent of a civil order when he (Jescavage) violated an order to stay away from a residence.

CASH, FOOD STAMPS SAID STOLEN

Officer Michael Moravec on Feb. 1 was dispatched to a burglary at 74 Pioneer Ave., Shavertown, where it was reported \$170 in cash and \$50 in food stamps were missing. Investigation is continuing.

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