

OBITUARIES

WAYNE GOLIGHTLY

Wayne Thomas Golightly, 36, of Lyndwood Avenue, Hanover Township, died Feb. 8, 1998, at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born in Pringle, Nov. 21, 1961, he was the son of Claude and Marie Sankus Golightly, Shavertown.

He graduated from Lake-Lehman High School in 1979 and the Welder Training and Technical Institute, Wilkes-Barre.

He also graduated from Allied Medical, Kingston.

He was employed by Eyeland Optical for the last 11 years.

He was certified as an optician by the American Board of Opticians.

He was a member of the First Church of Christ, Wilkes-Barre.

He was a member of Martin's Karate, where he was a black belt.

Surviving in addition to his parents are his wife, the former Jayne Jones; daughters, Lindsay and Chelsea, both at home; sister, Jean Hunter, Kingston; brother, Claude.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday from the Frederick & Snowdon Funeral Home, 617 Carey Ave., Wilkes-Barre with the Rev. William Hughes officiating.

Interment will be in Hanover Green Cemetery, Hanover Township.

Memorial donations may be made to the Leukemia Society of America, 2401 Pennsylvania Ave., STE 3D1, Philadelphia, 19130.

Blood and platelet donations to the American Red Cross are encouraged.

JOSEPH LEO

Joseph F. Leo, 86, of Glenview Avenue, Dallas, died Feb. 8, 1998, in Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born in Wilkes-Barre, he was the son of the late Angelo and Adelina Leo.

He attended GAR Memorial High School.

He retired from the U.S. Army after serving 31 years and attaining the rank of chief warrant officer with the Pennsylvania National Guard.

He was also a veteran of World War II and the Korean War.

He was a member of St. Therese's Church Shavertown, Kingston Township and its Altar Ministry and the Back Mountain Senior Citizens.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, the former Lena Censullo; daughter, Anne Marie Leo; brothers, Anthony Tranelli and Stephen Leo.

Surviving are his wife, the former Victoria Novak; two nieces.

Funeral services will be at 9:30 a.m. from the Harold C. Snowdon Funeral Home 140 N. Main St., Shavertown, with a Mass of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. St. Therese's Church, Shavertown.

Interment will be in St. Mary's Cemetery, Hanover Township.

Friends may call from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday.

IRENE THOMAS

Irene Thomas, 72, of North Mountain Road, Sweet Valley, Ross Township, died Jan. 27, 1998 at Penn State Geisinger Medical Center, Danville.

Born in West Pittston, she was the daughter of the late Michael and Mararet Gouse Sheplock.

She was a graduate of W. Pittston High School, attended Wyoming Seminary, Allegheny and Wilkes colleges and received a bachelor degree from Rutgers University.

She formerly was a former resident of West Pittston and Middlesex, NJ; and resided in Sweet Valley since 1985.

She was active in community affairs. She was founder and director of the Lake Township Recycling Program, was active with her local Adopt-a-Highway Program and was a supporter of the Arts at Hayfield.

She was a member of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Lake Silkworth.

She was preceded in death by her husband, E. Olin, and a brother Thomas Sheplock.

Surviving are daughters, Colette Thomas, Washington, D.C.; Joan Williams, Baltimore; Leslie Baumeister, Somerset, NJ; Allison Thomas, South Bound Brook, NJ; Megan Thomas, Tacoma, WA; three grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations may be made to the World Wildlife Fund, 1250 24th St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20037.

FREDERICK CASE

Frederick J. Case, 72, of Noxen, died Feb. 5, 1998 at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born July 23, 1925 in Noxen, he was the son of the late Loren and Grace Kromelbein Case.

He graduated from the Noxen school system, attended King's College and graduated from Bloomsburg University. He received a master's degree from Bucknell University and did graduate work at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville.

He began his teaching career at the Beaumont School and later in the Dallas school system.

He became principal of the Dallas Junior High School.

During World War II, he served in the U.S. Navy under Adm. Chester Nimitz in the Pacific Theater of Operations.

He served as justice of the peace in Noxen.

He was a member of St. Luke's Reformation Church and served on the church council.

On Oct. 18, 1997, he and his wife, the former Dorothy Ruff celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Larry.

Surviving in addition to his wife, are a daughter, Mildred Jane Elgaway, Tully, NY; sons, Frederick "Rick", Hamil, NY; Loren, Noxen; Alderson; 10 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; a brother, Leland, Ravena, NY; a sister, Verna McGinly, Dover, NJ; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Interment, Orcutt Grove Cemetery, Noxen.

Memorial donations may be made to the St. Luke's Reformation Church, Noxen, 18636.

ARLINE ROOD

Arline B. Rood, 93, of Lehman Township, died Feb. 5, 1998, at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born in Plymouth, she was the daughter of the late Guy and Lulu Snyder Beisel.

She was a graduate of Wyoming Seminary and received a bachelor's degree from College Misericordia and a master's degree from Temple University.

Before she retired, she was employed as an elementary teacher and reading specialist by the Dallas School District for 34 years.

She was a member of the Lehman United Methodist Church and the United Methodist Women.

She served as organist for the Church of Christ Uniting, Kingston, for 25 years.

She was a charter member and past president of Delta Kappa Gamma Sorority Honor Society for Teachers; a member of the Organist Guild of America and the Mozart Society.

She was a volunteer with Meals-on-wheels, the American Red Cross and Dial-a-Driver.

Surviving are a sister, Dorothy Moore, Lehman Township; and a niece, Corrin Mayhorne, Bel Air, MD.

Her body was donated to medical science at her request.

Memorial donations may be made to the Delta Kappa Gamma Sorority, c/o Molly Malpass, 84 N. Pioneer Ave., Shavertown 18708 or the Lehman United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1, Lehman Township, 18627.

DONALD MAY

Donald R. May, 68, of Lake Township died Feb. 8, 1998 at home.

Born in Ross Township on Aug. 10, 1929, he was the son of Nellie Hummell May, Sorber Mountain and the late Wilbur May.

He lived in Lake Township for most of his life.

He was employed by Orlando Paving, Swoyersville for eight years.

He was a member of Emmanuel Assembly of God Church, Harveys Lake.

He and his wife, the former Mary Newell, celebrated their 28th wedding anniversary, Oct., 1997.

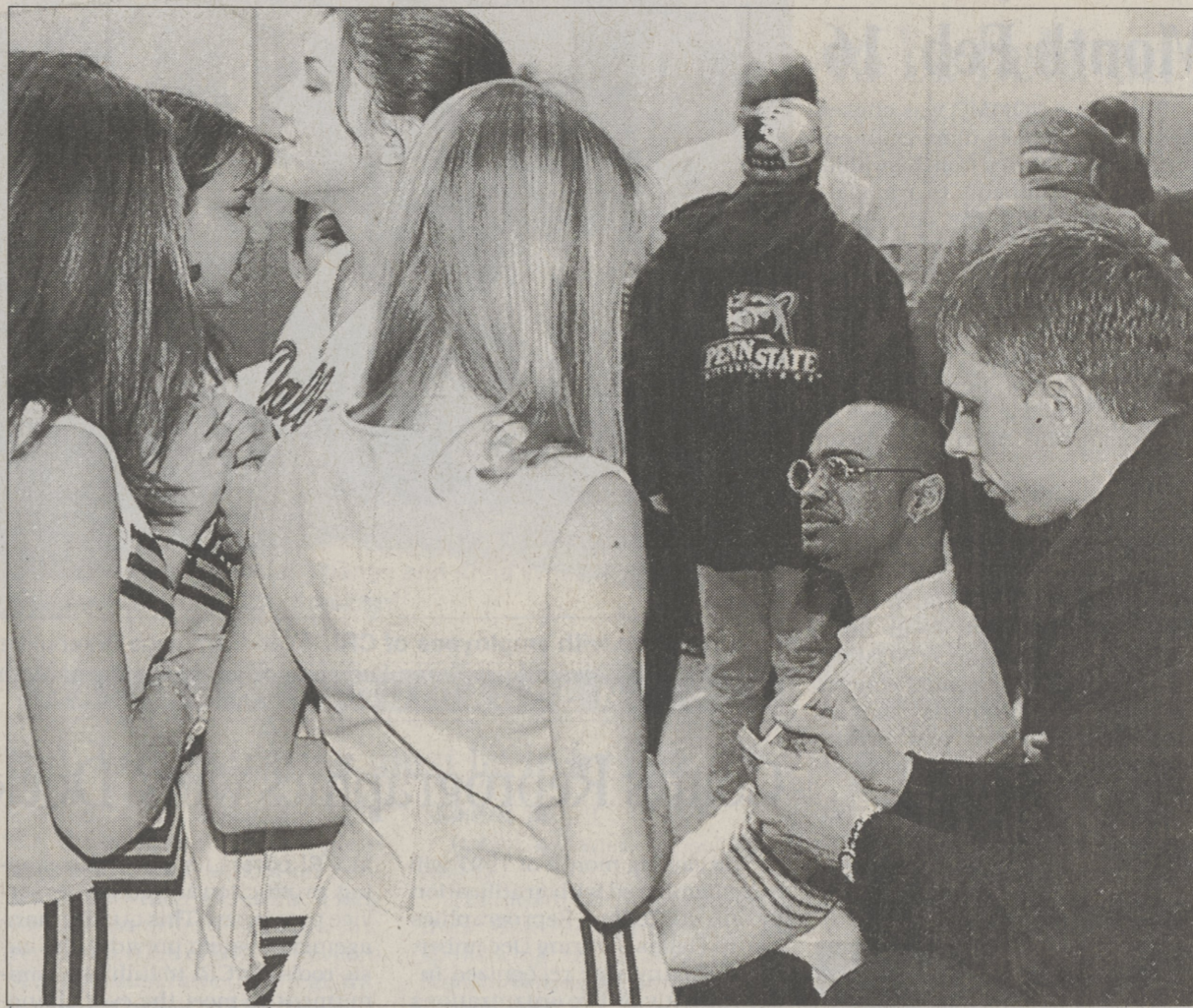
Surviving in addition to his wife and mother are his son, John May, at home; daughter, Nancy Wilkes, Harveys Lake; brothers, Ronald May, Noxen; Ralph May, Demunds; Dale May, Harveys Lake; sister, Iva London, Noxen; five grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday from the Curtis L. Swanson Funeral Home, Inc., corner of Routes 29 and 118, Pikes Creek, with the Rev. Rick W. Womer, officiating.

Friends may call at one hour prior to service.

Interment will be in the Evergreen Cemetery, Shavertown, Kingston Township.

SPORTS ROUNDUP



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Signing in

Former GAR standout and Cleveland Cavalier guard Bob Sura was on hand for the Dallas/GAR game Friday. He signed autographs for Dallas cheerleaders. Greg Skrepenak, starting guard for the Carolina Panthers and a GAR graduate was also in the audience. He lives in the Back Mountain.

WRESTLING

Nanticoke 34, Dallas 28

Dallas came back from a 28-0 deficit with five wins in the final seven bouts but were unable to close the gap and lost 34-28 to Nanticoke Feb. 4. Bill Duda got Dallas in motion at 152 with a 6-2 decision. Nanticoke avenged the loss with a pin at 160 but it was all Dallas from there as Jake Walter (171) posted a 10-3 decision followed by back to back pins by Matt Gingo (189) and Frank Perkoski (hwt).

Lehman 46, Crestwood 20

The Black Knights muscled out six pins and a major decision in a 46-20 victory over Crestwood Feb. 4. Jon Bird (103), Nick Raczowski (112), Justin Harris (130), Matt Magee (135), Eric Maciejczak (140) and Sam Saylor (145) posted pins. Jason Maciejczak scored a major decision. Mick Konigus (189) and Matt Kehler (hwt) ended the night with decisions.

Hanover 34, Lehman 32

The Knights advanced to the District 2 Class AA finals Feb. 7 with a 52-15 victory over Lackawanna Trail and a 34-30 upset of Meyers setting up the championship match with Hanover. Lehman kept the momentum in their favor halfway through the match racking up a 27-6 advantage before Hanover kicked it into high gear. The Hawkeyes netted a major deci-

sion and three pins to put Lehman in dire straights before Mick Konigus (189) landed a technical fall to give the Knights a 32-28 advantage heading into the final bout. Needing a pin or technical fall in the final bout for the championship Hanover's Scott Paull provided the late heroics posting a pin of Matt Kehler in the heavyweight match to take the victory.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Dallas 52, GAR 50

The Lady Mounts took advantage of GAR's sluggish start to take a 28-18 lead at the half and went on to down GAR 52-50 Feb. 5. Stephanie Simonitis led all scorers with 18 points. Katie Austin added 15.

Lehman 80, Wyoming 60

Kelly Spencer and Marissa Michaels combined for 42 for Lehman's total 80 points to lead the Knights to a 80-60 victory over Wyoming Feb. 5. Michaels scored 12 of her 20 points from three point range. Lehman held on to a 44-23 lead at the half.

BOYS BASKETBALL

GAR 73, Dallas 48

Jonathan Saba was the only Dallas player to score in double digits with 12 points as GAR whipped Dallas 73-48 Feb. 6. The Grenadiers outscored Dallas 42-26 in the second half.

Wyoming 73, Lehman 34

Wyoming held the Knights to just 11 first half points and bucketed 48 of their own in the second half as the Warriors doubled up Lehman 73-34 Feb. 6. James Lyons was high for Lehman with 11 points. Dallas and Lehman face each other Tuesday evening as both teams end their season.

KEYSTONE GAMES

Downhill

The Keystone State Games featured a number of Back Mountain residents vying for medals in the skiing events held Feb. 5-8 at Montage. The opening day featured the downhill which was held on an abbreviated run due to poor conditions on the connecting Cannonball course. The conditions also limited skiers to one run instead of a combined time on two runs. Stacey Wagner of Shavertown collected her first medal of the games, a silver, on the downhill thanks to a time of :40:61, less than a second behind the top time of Stacy Kearney. The medals, however, eluded Megan McGilvrey of Harveys Lake who placed fifth with a time of :42:19. Chris Nattress of Shavertown also came up short of a medal, his time of :37:87 was just over a second and a half behind front runner Conor Anderson's :36:19 but the slim margin only earned him a seventh place finish in the richly talented

16-19 male division. Chris Schneider of Trucksville competed in the same division and crossed the line with a time of :39:99 for tenth.

Giant Slalom

Chris Nattress brought home the gold in grand fashion Feb. 6 with a combined time of 1:19:10 in the 16-19 division. His blistering time on the giant slalom not only netted him medalist honors but was the fastest time of all competitors. J.B. Bucha was clocked at 1:30:91, nearly six seconds behind the gold medalist in the 13-15 division but was good enough to earn the Dallas resident a bronze. Shavertown's Michael Harstock competed in the same division finishing sixth at 1:47:34. Stacey Wagner (1:28:12) may have suffered a slight case of de ja vu after winning her second medal of the games. She snagged her second silver medal in as many days both behind Wilkes-Barre's Stacy Kearney in the 16-19 division. Meredith Edwards trailed the medalists with a fourth place showing and a time of 1:43:49 in the 13-15 group.

Modified Giant Slalom

Dallas resident Whitney Pollock mined for precious metals in the 12 and under Modified Giant Slalom Feb. 7 and struck gold with a time of :56:72 while Christina Harstock won the intermediate run posting a time of 1:07:62. Janelle Bucha shared in the success with a bronze in the 16-19 female division. John Murray of Dallas took runner up honors in the 60 and over division while J.B. Bucha collected his second medal of the games, a silver in the 13-15 division. Jeffrey Chopick of Trucksville posted a third place finish in the 20-24 division.

Dual Slalom

The dual slalom event on Feb. 8 ended the skiing competition and sent many Back Mountain residents to the winner's platform. Charles Tyrell of Shavertown set the pace in the 16-19 division posting a time of :57:37 earning him the gold medal while Chris Schneider ended his Keystone experience with a bronze in the same division at 1:01:44. Jeffrey Chopick was just over a second off the leader with a time of 1:08:02 in the 20-24 division. In the 60 and over division, Robert Thomas (1:11:96) again proved to be a thorn in John Murray's (1:17:56) side, edging out the Dallas resident for a second time in as many days. Graydon Space of Shavertown went home with some new silver neckware after placing second in the 13-15 male division. Jessica Fields, Dallas, placed second in the 13-15 female division while Janelle Bucha carried a bronze finished the course in a time of 1:12:06 among the 16-19 year. Christina Harstock won the gold in the 12 and under intermediate division and Michael Ostrowski of Harveys Lake completed the 25-29 intermediate division at 1:18:34.



Troop 648 visits fire station

Brownie Troop 648 went to the Shavertown Volunteer Fire Station in during Fire Prevention Week. Deputy Chief Jerry Paxton and Assistant Chief Tony Kaiser took the girls on a tour of the fire house and showed them the new aerial ladder truck. As part of the girls' community service project, they collected aluminum cans and brought them to the fire station. Row 1, from left, Kelci Gibbons, Michelle Gibbons, Jillian Spring, Kristen Justice, Emily Karalunas. Row 2, Cathy Polachek, leader, Lindsey Davenport, Lindsay Szalkowski, Kylee Besecker, Amy Polachek, Michele Luke, assistant leader. Row 3, Nichole Rave, Marie Foti, Lauren Ziminski, Sara Luke, Emily Polachek.



Students visit with rainforest animals

Recently the students of the Dallas Middle School were presented an assembly on Animals of the Rain Forest, by Bill Bethurum of the Antrim Bureau. Exotic birds, lizards, and tortoises were shown and explained to the audience. The importance of the rain forest's effect on the earth's weather patterns was also covered in the program. Pictured: Dan Evans, Joe Duddy, Bill Bethurum, Annie Savage, Jane Bethurum, Jennisfer Zinn and Hanna Perry.

Q: Where do you find the most Back Mountain news and photos each week?
A: Only in The Dallas Post