

OBITUARIES

THOMAS GARRITY

Thomas P. Garrity, 77, of Harveys Lake, died Tuesday, October 24, 2000 at Hospice Care of the VNA Inpatient Unit at Heritage House, Wilkes-Barre.

Born Sept. 14, 1923, in Harveys Lake, he was a son of the late Patrick and Bernadine (Williams) Garrity. He was an area realtor, who founded Garrity Realty, Harveys Lake. He taught appraising at King's College and was chief tax assessor for Luzerne County. He was a U.S. Air Force veteran of World War II, holding the rank of major and serving as a pilot. He was a life member of Our Lady of Victory Church, Harveys Lake and member of its Holy Name Society. He was a member and president of the Great Wilkes-Barre Association of Realtors, Appraisal Institute, Northeast Chapter, and Assessors of Pennsylvania, and member and vice president of the Society of Professional Assessors. He was a member of the Harveys Lake Fire and Ambulance Co., and served on its board of trustees.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary H.; and sister, Mary Payne.

Surviving are his daughter, Christine Snell, Harveys Lake; son, Michael J., Harveys Lake; four grandchildren; sister, Bina Stenger, Harveys Lake; brother, Joseph, South Dakota; and several nieces and nephews.

Interment, Lakeview Cemetery, Harveys Lake.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Joseph's Children's Hospital, 2010 Adams Ave., Scranton, 18509.

FELIX "PHIL" LIPSKI

Felix "Phil" Lipski of Pringle, died Sunday, October 29, 2000, in the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center Hospice Unit in Plains Township.

Born in Larksville, he was the son of the late Frank and Sophie (Bondzinski) Lipski. Mr. Lipski was a member of St. Hedwig's Church in Kingston. He was an Army veteran of World War II.

Surviving are his wife of 50 years, the former Marguerite Dopkavich; sons, Frank, Shavertown; Philip, Dallas; and Robert, Kingston; daughters, Maria, Vero Beach, Fla.; Joanne, West Palm Beach, Fla.; brothers, William and Joseph, both of Larksville; Frank, Richmond, Va.; and Edward, Shavertown; and eight grandchildren.

Interment, St. Hedwig's Church Cemetery.

MARTHA POSTUPAK

Martha Postupak, 87, of Wilkes-Barre, died Tuesday, October 24, 2000 at Mercy Center, Dallas, after a lengthy battle with cancer.

Born in Larksville, she was the daughter of the late Luke and Ann (Galinius) Karolchyk.

Her husband of 59 years, Sylvester, died in 1996. She was also preceded in death by her sister, Anne "Blanch," and brothers, William, Victor, George and Stanley.

Surviving are sons, Carl, Shavertown; Bruce, Harveys Lake; daughter, Joan Wells, Putney, Vt.; eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren; her sister, Mrs. John (Helen) Hendricks, Valley Stream, NY; and brother, Luke, Lincoln Park, Mich.

Interment, St. Hedwig's Cemetery, Larksville.

Memorial donations may be made to Mercy Center, Box 370, Dallas; or Hospice Community Care, 385 Wyoming Ave., Kingston.

ERMA GOSS

Erma E. Goss, 83, of Millersburg, died Sunday, October 22, 2000 at Polyclinic Hospital-Pinnacle-Health, Harrisburg.

Born Jan. 27, 1917, in Wilkes-Barre, she was a daughter of the late Tom and Dora (Achoff) Stacey. She was a member of Eberly Mills Church of God, Camp Hill.

She was preceded in death by her husband, George.

Surviving are her daughter, Erma G. Sinsabaugh, Halifax; three grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; sister, Dorothy Bergstrasser, Dallas; nieces and nephews.

Interment, Memorial Shrine Cemetery.

JACK WILLIS

Jack Willis, 77, of Dallas, formerly of Carverton, died Monday, October 30, 2000 at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born in Taylor, he was the son of the late John and Mary (Hope) Willis. He was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II. He was a member of Carverton United Methodist Church.

He was preceded in death by his sisters, Dorothy Willis and Mae Dietrich.

Surviving are his wife of 50 years, the former Ruth A. Coslett; sons, Gregory J., Kingston; Stephen B., West Pittston; and Drew, Carverton; seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

JOHN EDWARDS

John W. "Jack" Edwards, of Dallas, died Tuesday, October 24, 2000 at Hospice Community Care Inpatient Unit at Mercy Hospital, Wilkes-Barre.

Born Jan. 12, 1927, in Wilkes-Barre, he was a son of the late Ralph and Regina (Ryan) Edwards. He worked in the security department at Penn State University, Wilkes-Barre. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II, serving in Panama.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Marguerite "Peg" Balut.

Surviving are his wife of 31 years, the former Clarine (Kaye) Kaiser; sisters, Patricia Vivian, Kingston; and Mary Jean Kolak, Albany, NY; brothers, Ralph F., Exeter; Michael H., Scranton; Thomas H., Jacksonville, Fla.; and Charles Butler Edwards, Kingston; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Interment, St. Mary's Cemetery, Hanover Township.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, 57 N. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701.

JOHN JOYCE

John J. Joyce, 77, of Dallas, died Sunday, October 29, 2000 at his home.

Born Oct. 14, 1923, Scranton, he was a son of the late James and Nellie (Walsh) Joyce.

He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II.

He was a member of Our Lady of Victory Church, Harveys Lake, and the Minoaka American Legion.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Eugene.

Surviving are his wife of 47 years, the former Mary Lavelle; son, James D., Wilkes-Barre; daughters, Mary Kern, Noxen; and Ellen Joyce, Wyoming; brothers, Robert, Avoca; and Joseph, Northampton; and five grandchildren.

Interment, St. Mary's Cemetery, Avoca.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 63 N. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre, 18701; or to the American Heart Association, 71 N. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre, 18701.

MARY JONES

Mary H. Jones, 100, of Lake Waynewood, formerly of Dallas, died Monday, October 23, 2000 at the Abington Manor, Clarks Summit, where she was a resident.

Born in Scranton, she was a daughter of the late Howell and Minnie (Williams) Harris.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Frederick W. Jennings; and second husband, Herbert S. Jones.

Surviving are her daughters, Margaret Moen, Dallas; Anne Byer, Lake Waynewood; and Jane Thomas, Newtown; eight grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Interment, Abington Hills Cemetery, South Abington Township.

Memorial donations may be made to the Century Club of Scranton, 612 Jefferson Ave., Scranton, 18510; or a charity of the donor's choice.

DOROTHY SIMON

Dorothy Simon, 87, of Dallas, died Tuesday, October 24, 2000 at the Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born in Allentown, she was the daughter of the late George and Anna (Bevan) Krist. She worked at the former Natona Mills, Dallas.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Abraham J.; and son, John.

Surviving are her sons, James, Kingston; and Abraham, Dallas; daughters, Anna and Lois Watkins, both of Larksville; Rebecca Sparlow, Wilkes-Barre; and Dorothy Phillips, Dallas; 24 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Interment, Chapel Lawn Memorial Park, Dallas.

WILLIAM E. WILLIAMS

William E. Williams of Jackson Township, died Monday, October 9, 2000 at his home.

Born June 22, 1945, in Mankato, Minn., he was the son of Dorothy M. Williams, Larksville, and the late Evan J. Williams, Jr.

He is survived by his daughter, Sharon, Courtdale; son, Kevin, Trenton, NJ; mother, Dorothy Williams, Larksville; brother, Jeffrey, Larksville; nieces and nephews.

Interment, Chapel Lawn Memorial Park, Dallas.



Mercy Center Auxiliary Holiday Sale

Follow the signs to the Mercy Center Auxiliary annual Holiday Sale scheduled for November 3 and 4 at Mercy Center, Lake Street, Dallas. Many handcrafted items for the home, gifts and special holiday decorations will be available. The women of the auxiliary have been working for the past year preparing for the sale. Beanie Babies, Boyds Bears and an exciting White Elephant Booth are of special interest. A Café luncheon begins at 10:30 a.m. Home baked goodies can be taken home or enjoyed at the sale. Pasties and pot pies are a speciality of the sale for takeouts. Hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday. For information please call 674-5068. Marie Belles, at left, and Antoinette Jenkins in the craft workshop.

Lehman Twp. property tax note

Peggy Moyer, Lehman Township Tax Collector, wants to remind all property owners and residents that the face value on the 2000 school district property and per capita taxes will end on Tues., Nov. 7. All payments made prior to the close of the tax collector's office hours, at those postmarked on or before the Nov. 7 deadline will be accepted at face value. Anyone mailing in their taxes should enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope for a paid receipt. People who have escrow accounts should verify with their lending company that their taxes have been paid. County/Municipal taxes that were issued Feb. 1, are payable at the penalty value. Office hours are Wednesdays, and Nov. 3, 6 and 7, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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