

OBITUARIES

DELPHINE SUTTON

Delphine (Searfoss) Sutton, 81 of Pensacola, Fla., died December 2, 2000 in Tallahassee, Fla. Born in Lehman Township, she was a daughter of the late F. Raymond and Addie (Sutliff) Searfoss.

She was a graduate of Lehman High School and Wyoming Seminary Dean School of Business.

She was a cost accountant at Corning Glass, Wellsboro.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Chester J.; and sisters, Madeline Adamshick and Ruth Disque.

Surviving are her son, Chester J. Atlanta, Ga.; daughters, Delphine Metarko, Pensacola, Fla.; and Polly J. Cobb, Tallahassee, Fla.; brother, Wilbur D. Searfoss, Waterbury, Conn.; sister, Louise Whitesell, Ormond Beach, Fla.; six grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday from the Richard H. Disque Funeral Home Inc., Dallas, with the Rev. Bonnie McGraw of the Lehman United Methodist Church officiating.

Interment will be in Lehman Center Cemetery, Lehman Township.

Memorial donations may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

FREDERICK KIRKENDALL

Frederick C. Kirkendall, 57, of Dallas, died December 1, 2000 at Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center, Plains Township.

Born Nov. 2, 1943, in Wilkes-Barre, he was a son of the late Frederick C. and Elizabeth (Morgan) Kirkendall. He was a 1963 graduate of Dallas Senior High School and attended the Granoff School of Music, Philadelphia. He was a musician and guitarist with the Star Fire Band, owned and operated the Back Mountain Music Co. and was an artist in residence at the State Correctional Institute at Dallas, Jackson Township. He also worked for Wesley Village. He was a member of the Back Mountain Harvest Assembly, Trucksville section of Kingston Township.

Surviving are his wife of 32 years, the former Judy Besteder; sons, Frederick, Norristown; and Charles, at home; daughter, Judy Joy, Dallas; sister, Doris Morris, Asheville, N.C.; and several nieces, and nephews.

Memorial donations may be made to the Dallas Fire and Ambulance Co., 184 E. Center Hill Road, Dallas; or to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals of Luzerne County, Fox Hill Road, Plains Township.

CHARLES DOBASH

Charles "Chuck" F. Dobash, 55, of Sweet Valley, died December 1, 2000 at the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Wilkes-Barre.

Born July 21, 1945, in Wilkes-Barre, he was the son of Susan Bamrick Dobash, of Georgetown, and the late John Dobash.

He served in the U.S. Army for 23 years during the Vietnam Era, retiring in 1985. He received the National Defense Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, seven Good Conduct Medals, Vietnam Service Medal with nine service stars, eight Overseas Service Bars, Bronze Star Medal, U.S.A. Recruiter Badge, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Meritorious Service Medal and two Purple Hearts.

He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and was an associate member of the Daddow Isaacs American Legion Post 672, Dallas.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are his wife, Betty Raitter; son, Dr. Gregory Dobash, Philadelphia; step sons, Edmund and Jason Pish, both of Edwardsville; step daughters, Angel Bestwick, Dallas; Laura Pish, Trucksville; brother, John Dobash, Mountaintop; sisters, Elaine Kotulski, Clinton, Conn.; Catherine Walker, Albany, N.Y.; and four grandchildren.

Memorial donations may be made to the Hospice of the Veterans Hospital.

EDITH GIBERSON

Edith "Joan" Giberson, age 76, of RR 2, Follies Road, Dallas, died December 1, 2000 at the Hospice Community Care Inpatient Unit of Mercy Hospital, Wilkes-Barre.

Born March 18, 1924 in Wilkes-Barre, she was the daughter of the late Rena Mae Jones. She resided in Dallas for four years and prior to this, she resided in Wilkes-Barre.

She was a graduate of Meyers High School and Wilkes-Barre Vocational Technical School. Mrs. Giberson was a member of the Calvary Bible Church on Samborne Street in Wilkes-Barre.

Prior to her retirement in 1982, she was employed as a L.P.N. at Geisinger Wyoming Valley Hospital. Prior to this she was employed at the Wyoming Valley Hospital.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Franklin H., on March 12, 1997; grandson, Dennis A. Osman; and sister, Lanna Mae Atkinson.

Surviving are children, Bonnie Osman, Dallas; Barbara Borovich and Sandra Leggieri, both of Wilkes-Barre; Franklin II, Lattimer Mines; Linda Bond, Plymouth Township; Debra Johnson, Wilkes-Barre Township; 12 grandchildren; one great-grandson; and numerous nieces and nephews.

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VERA HOPA

Vera (Prutzman) Hopa, 85, of Walhalla, S.C., formerly of Dallas, died Saturday, Nov. 25 at Oconee Memorial Hospital, Seneca, S.C.

Born Feb. 27, 1915, in Noxen, she was a daughter of the late Charles M. and Laura (Moyer) Prutzman.

She attended Noxen schools. She was a member of the Huntsville Christian Church and the Dallas Chapter 396 Order of the Eastern Star.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Edward; and

brother, Robert Prutzman.

Surviving are her daughter, Donna Stoner, Walhalla, S.C.; son, Thomas, Dallas; four grandchildren; one great-grandchild; sister, Louise Boston, Noxen; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday from the Nulton Funeral Home on Rte. 309 in Beaumont, with the Rev. Keith Benjamin of the Noxen United Methodist Church officiating.

Interment will be in Memorial Shrine Park, Carverton.

FRANK WRIGHT

Frank J. Wright, 93, of Harveys Lake, formerly of Noxen, died November 28, 2000 at Lakeside Nursing Center.

Born March 31, 1907, in Forty Fort, he was a son of the late William and Famma (Traver) Wright. He worked in the tannery and in Brooklyn, N.Y. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War 11. He was a member of the Noxen United Methodist Church and the Kingston Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 283.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 41 years, Lillian Weaver; companion, Etta Dobrinski; two infant sons; sisters, Grace, Alice, Bernice, Dorcas and Rosella; and brothers, Charles, Albert,

Lawrence, LeRoy, Wilson, Leonard and Arnold.

Surviving are his son, Frank D., Harveys Lake; daughters, Margaret Teetsel, Noxen; Laura Berlew, Harveys Lake; 11 grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, one step great-grandson, 10 great great-grandchildren, two step great-great-grandchildren; sisters, Florence Faux, Noxen; Evelyn Buchman, Binghamton, N.Y.; Claire Garrett, Johnson City, N.Y.; Mildred Gailey, Montrose; and brothers, Clarence, Lawrenceville; Ira and Sebastian, both of Florida.

Interment, Orcutt Grove Cemetery, Noxen.

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Dana Moran to Joseph J. Matosky et ux, see deed, Dallas

Twp., \$37,000.
Charles L. Youngman, III et ux, to Whitesell, Mark E. et ux, Lot 9, Fox Hollow Drive, Dallas Twp., \$165,000.
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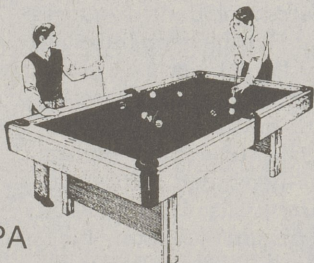


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